ABOUT THE EVALUATION POLICY

The evaluation policy sets out the purpose and scope of the evaluation function. It establishes clear principles and norms, and defines roles and accountability for the evaluation function. The policy serves as a guide in the planning, resourcing, management, conduct, and utilization of evaluations.

The policy also marks a substantial advancement in strengthening the independence and credibility of the evaluation function. It positions evaluation as a catalyst for driving evidence-based actions in UNFPA, towards stronger results for all women and girls.

INNOVATION

- Rebranding of the Evaluation Office as the ‘Independent Evaluation Office’
- Enhanced collaboration of evaluation with other oversight functions in the organization
- Strengthened independence, coverage and quality of decentralized and humanitarian evaluations

KEY FEATURES OF THE EVALUATION POLICY

- Informed by an independent peer review of the evaluation function
- Adapted to changing internal and external contexts
- Aligned to UNEG norms and standards on evaluation
- Applies to all centralized and decentralized evaluations, including project-level and humanitarian evaluations
- Strong focus on the use of evaluation for decision-making, accountability and learning
- Affirms UNFPA commitment to building the capacities of youth and meaningfully engaging youth throughout the evaluation process
- Leveraging innovation, including ethical and responsible use of artificial intelligence in evaluation
- Continued focus on joint and system-wide evaluations, and multi-stakeholder and intergenerational evaluation partnerships for national evaluation capacity development.