Nutrition: Fundamental to delivering on the GFF’s mission
Global burden and consequences of child malnutrition

Undernutrition is the underlying cause of 45% of deaths among children under 5.

Threat to human capital development

Stunting: largely irreversible physical and cognitive deficits

How the GFF improves nutrition outcomes

**IMPROVED NUTRITION OUTCOMES**

**Direct**
- Nutrition specific interventions (both supply- and demand-side)
- Integrated delivery (e.g., essential packages, using existing contact points, results-based financing, aligning incentives across sectors)
- Through multi-sectoral (nutrition sensitive) approaches (e.g., school nutrition and health curricula, cash transfers for nutrition counseling sessions) + private sector

**Indirect**
- Health systems strengthening (e.g., human resources for health, supply chain)
- Health financing reforms (e.g., domestic resource mobilization, risk pooling)
How is the GFF different from other nutrition financing platforms?

1. Integration of nutrition into strengthened health systems
2. Maximizing impact by reaching the most vulnerable
3. Focus on scale and sustainability through country-driven approaches
4. Increased resources for nutrition:
   a) Domestic resource mobilization
   b) Leveraging of IDA and IBRD financing
   c) Aligned financing and fit within the global nutrition architecture
   d) Engagement with the private sector
5. Strengthened data systems for strategic data collection and use
GFF Partnerships to drive the RMNCAH-N agenda

- All current GFF countries are also SUN countries
- Engagement with SUN country platforms as convening and advocacy partners
- Important linkages through the SUN CSO and Business Networks in-country

- Innovative mechanism to increase the financing envelope for nutrition
- Partnership can be used to catalyze new funding sources from private sector and non-traditional donors

... and many others
- Early Childhood Development Action Network (ECDAN)
- Initiative for Food and Nutrition Security in Africa (IFNA)
- CSO Networks
Nutrition priorities for second-wave GFF countries

• Scaling up cost effective nutrition-specific interventions

• Maternal and adolescent nutrition

• Integrated and multi-sectoral approach

• “Double duty” actions for nutrition
Conclusions

- Improving nutrition outcomes for women, children and adolescents is a key necessity to achieve the health and economic objectives of the GFF and beyond
- Country demand to receive technical assistance and financing in this area is strong
- GFF offers an operational platform for nutrition financing with a view to long term sustainability
- Close partnerships with technical, advocacy and other financial partners is critical