



Governance Guidance for Reproductive Health Registries

Lessons from Palestine



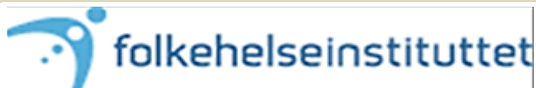
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eRegistries is a global initiative dedicated to improving data quality and collections strategies for women and children worldwide. In contrast to traditional disease-focused registry approaches, eRegistries is an electronic, interactive, public health surveillance system that provides feedback to public health officials, care providers, and women. Implemented



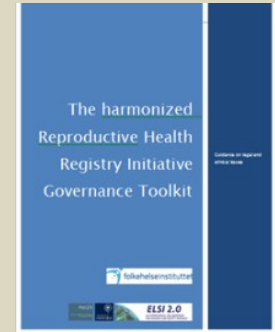
using free and open source software, eRegistries also ensures that legal and ethical issues are addressed. Based on the World Health Organization's *'Essential Interventions, Commodities, and Guidelines for Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, and Child*

health.' eRegistries offers a strong evidence-based approach to maternal and child health.



Governance Guidance Toolkit

Addressing the legal landscape is a critical first step in establishing electronic reproductive health registries. Given the inherent sensitivity of reproductive health data, eRegistries has recognized the responsibility of providing guidance that addresses data privacy, security, and confidentiality issues. To this end, the eRegistries Initiative, in collaboration with the Center for Health, Law, and Emerging Technologies (HeLEX), developed a *Governance Guidance Toolkit* (see above) that is designed to provide a framework addressing governance strategies to protect women and children's health data. For more information, please contact Sonja Myhre, PhD at sonja.myhre@fhi.no.



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