Child Protection
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Strengthening Child Participation and Accountability to Children in Humanitarian Action

Global Protection Cluster – Child Protection
& Plan International | Global Project

PROGRAMME DURATION
May 2025 – Dec 2026

SCOPE
Global

PILOTING COUNTRIES Myanmar • Lebanon • Cameroon • South Sudan • Sudan

Background

Over the last decades, the humanitarian sector has made significant progress in improving the participation of and Accountability to Affected Populations (AAP). However, in practice, AAP efforts typically involve mostly adults, leaving gaps in the participation of and accountability to children and adolescents (0–17) in humanitarian responses.

Similarly, the 2016 Youth Compact was established to generate momentum for more meaningful engagement with young people (10–24) in humanitarian action. Whilst several great initiatives have been implemented in various countries, most humanitarian responses still lack a consistent approach to meaningful participation of children and adolescents in the sector.

About this initiative

The **Global Protection Cluster – Child Protection** and **Plan International** launched, and are now implementing, the global initiative 'Strengthening Capacity to Increase Child Participation and Accountability in Child Protection in Humanitarian Action.'

Through this initiative, child protection practitioners, including coordination group members, are receiving technical support in developing context-specific strategies for greater participation and accountability, and in accessing and applying vetted and recommended tools and resources.

Programme Goal

The overall goal of this initiative is that child protection coordinators, coordination group members, child protection practitioners and those from other sectors supporting children have the knowledge, skills and tools to promote child participation and accountability to children in child protection in humanitarian action across the programme cycle.

Strategic Pillars & Activities

1 Knowledge Management

Creation of an online repository of vetted, practical key guidance, tools, examples and training materials related to child and adolescent participation and accountability, available for CP coordinators and practitioners.

2 Capacity Strengthening

Capacity development initiatives targeting child protection coordinators and coordination group members to develop the knowledge and skills, and access the resources, required to improve child participation and accountability in CPHA responses.

3 Advocacy

Documentation of good practices and lessons learned in promoting child participation and accountability, and using this as evidence for advocacy efforts in this area.

Getting involved

This global initiative has been implemented since **May 2025** and will run until **December 2026**.

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