IN-COUNTRY PARTNERS

- UNICEF: United Nations Children's Fund
- **PAH/GIZ:** Projet d'Amélioration de l'Alimentation, de la Nutrition et de l'hygiène en milieu familial (Family Food, Nutrition and Hygiene Improvement Project funded by GIZ)
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RELATED PUBLICATIONS AND TOOLS

- Results-Based Management Training Package and Learning Brief (Paquet de module de formation en Gestion axe sur le résultats)
- Glossary of Terms Used in the Context of Multi-Sectoral Nutrition Interventions (Glossaire des Terminologies Utilisées dans le Contexte des Interventions Multisectorielles de Nutrition)
- Strategic Guidance Document for Regulatory Surveillance of Large-Scale Food Fortification Programs (Document d'orientation stratégique pour la surveillance réglementaire des programmes d'enrichissement des aliments de grande consommation au Burkina Faso)
- Regional Multi-Sectoral Nutrition Profiles and Posters



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USAID ADVANCING NUTRITION BURKINA FASO

Strengthening National Efforts to Improve Nutrition





OVERVIEW

USAID Advancing Nutrition worked in Burkina Faso from November 2020 through September 2023. The Government of Burkina Faso has adopted a multi-sectoral approach to fight its persistent malnutrition challenges. These policy priorities are codified in the *National Multi-Sectoral Nutrition Policy* 2020–2029 (*Politique nationale multisectorielle de nutrition* 2020–2029) and the prioritized implementation strategies are outlined in the five-year *Multi-Sectoral Nutrition Strategic Plan* 2020–2024 (*Plan stratégique multisectoriel de nutrition* 2020–2024 [*PSMN*]).

USAID Advancing Nutrition's work in Burkina Faso supported the government's efforts by working with stakeholders at the national level and in the Center East, Center West, and South West regions. Through this work, we strengthened the institutional capacity of the national and regional ministries and departments related to sectors responsible for the realization of the goals and objectives defined in the national multi-sectoral nutrition policy and strategic plan.





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ACHIEVEMENTS

1



STRENGTHENING MULTI-SECTORAL NUTRITION GOVERNANCE AND COORDINATION

USAID Advancing Nutrition has worked in close partnership with the Technical Secretariat for Multi-Sectoral Nutrition Nutrition (Secrétariat technique chargé de la multisectorialité pour la nutrition [ST/Nut]) and members of multi-sectoral nutrition coordination entities at the national and regional levels to strengthen their individual capacities to plan, implement, and monitor their sector-specific nutrition-related activities.

USAID Advancing Nutrition also facilitated the annual convening of the National Nutrition Council (Conseil national pour la nutrition [CNaN]) and the Regional Nutrition Councils (Conseils Régionaux de Nutrition [CRN]) in our three supported regions.

2



IMPROVING MULTI-SECTORAL NUTRITION ACTIVITY PLANNING AND MONITORING

At the start of implementation, we found that not all sectors had a shared understanding of how to plan and monitor their sectors' nutrition-related activities as outlined in the PSMN. To address this, we adapted an existing Ministry of Health and Public Hygiene training package on results-based management (RBM) for a multi-sectoral audience.

This training equipped participants with a basic understanding of RBM concepts and supported them to identify activities in their work plans that contribute to PSMN objectives. Participants identified appropriate indicators to track progress and agreed on measurement and reporting standards for each.

3



ENHANCING INFORMATION ACCESS AND SHARING AMONG MULTI-SECTORAL NUTRITION STAKEHOLDERS

We worked with the Directorate General of Studies and Sector Statistics (Direction Générale des Études et des Statistique sectoriels) and the Directorate of Information Systems (Direction des Systeme d'Information), in collaboration with the Country Health Information Systems and Data Use project, to develop an online multi-sectoral nutrition dashboard. This dashboard integrates 25 key multi-sectoral indicators from the PSMN into Burkina Faso's online national health information platform, *Entrepôt de données sanitaires du Burkina Faso*.

Currently, the data is available for USAID Advancing Nutrition's three regions and is used in CNaN and CRN meetings to orient decision makers on progress, facilitate decision-making, and advocate for nutrition-related activities. The multi-sectoral nutrition dashboard will be scaled up to all 13 regions of the country under the leadership of ST/Nut and the Nutrition Directorate.

4



FACILITATING THE DEVELOPMENT OF PLANNING, MONITORING, AND EVALUATION GUIDANCE FOR LARGE-SCALE FOOD FORTIFICATION ACTIVITIES

The National Alliance for Food Fortification in Burkina Faso (Alliance nationale pour la fortification des aliments au Burkina Faso [ANF-BF]) assists the government in the planning, implementation, and monitoring and evaluation of the National Strategy for Fortification of Foods with Micronutrients. USAID Advancing Nutrition provided technical assistance to the ANF-BF to develop several important guidance documents to support this mandate.

These include the Strategic Guidance Document for Regulatory Surveillance of Large-Scale Food Fortification Programs in Burkina Faso (Document d'Orientation Stratégique pour la surveillance réglementaire des programmes d'enrichissement des aliments de grande consommation au Burkina Faso) and its monitoring and evaluation plan. The project also supported the government in conducting supervision visits to fortified-food production units.