

SRHR & COVID-19

MESSAGING CHECKLIST

- What is the **aim** of the message?
- Who is the target **audience**, and do you know about its **context**?
- Is the **shared value** between you and the audience stated at the beginning of the message?
- What is the **problem** that needs to be addressed? Is the **origin or cause** of the problem clear and is a workable solution offered?
- Is the **language** clear, inclusive, person-centred and decolonial?
- Is the message **anti-stigma** and also promoting **equity and human rights** (anti-racist and non-discriminating)?
- Which people in my target audience can **understand and access** this message and who cannot? How can I help other people understand or access this message?
- Is the message **positively framed**? Does it avoid 'us-them' thinking, polarisation and/or stigma, and negative metaphors?
- Do the elements used make the message **real and memorable** (e.g., telling a story including beliefs, feelings and values; using visual aids and/or using repetition)?
- Does the message **avoid unnecessarily repeating** the words of the opponent, myths and/or conspiracy theories?
- Is the **messenger** a trusted person, and does the **medium** that spreads the message interact with the audience?
- Is the message **tested** before use and is the message adjusted to the outcomes of these tests?

