

Advocacy



UNFPA initiated an alliance consisting of:

- the Government;
- civil society organizations;
- Ombudsman offices;
- faith-based organizations;
- international donors;
- the media.



In 2016

The UNFPA Armenia Country Office won a global competition for “UNFPA Good Practice in Advocacy, Policy Dialogue/Advice” in the category of newly emerging practices, for its advocacy work aimed at combating gender-biased sex selection in Armenia.



Gender-biased sex selection:

Challenges/ Opportunities

Weak law enforcement and monitoring mechanism

Remaining social pressures

Traditional gender inequalities and patriarchal stereotypes

Lack of access and availability of early childcare services

Armenia

Policies/Framework/Government Response

In 1993



Armenia ratified the **Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW)**.



Armenia signed the **Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD)** and as such pledges to **eliminate discrimination against the girl child**, including son preference.



The Government of Armenia has made **significant efforts** to fully address convention obligations and align national legislation.



The **2016** amendment of the **Law on Reproductive Human Rights and Reproductive Health** outlaws GBSS.

Sex Ratio at birth

