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Innovations and Digital Health Subgroup Meeting
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Meeting notes:
- Updates from anyone who attended the Saving Lives at Birth DevelopmentXChange
  - Link to Finalists

- Presentations *(please see presentations for more information)*
  - Malaria Consortium - upSCALE, Sarah Marks, Malaria Consortium
    - MC developed a digital strategy to strengthen community health delivery, with 3 key components: phone based CHW registration and data collection, reporting and links with health facilities; tablet-based supervisor tool; link with DHIS2 (just finalizing integration of this piece). Started with iCCM; has expanded as the work of the CHWs has.
    - Key barriers:
      - Trying to get MoH ownership of the system. MoH has been interested in the idea, mostly in terms of getting data from CHW program quickly. But in transitioning from MC control to MoH has been a challenge. Advocates from ground up (district level and community level) to promote the advantages, and advocates for including in the provincial budget.
      - Getting integration piece with DHIS2 platform completed.
      - Complying with national legislation that requires that patient data is hosted locally. Working with Dimagi and UNICEF to transfer to local server hosting.
    - Cost information is included at national and provincial levels for budgeting
    - National level is covering commcare costs (through DFID funding via UNICEF)
    - Provincial (either MoH or partners) is covering refresher trainings, etc.
  - WHO Digital Health Atlas, Maeghan Orton, WHO
    - The Atlas is a system for tracking all digital health projects in every country. Taxonomy is based on health care challenges (e.g., insufficient supply of commodities, health care workers lack of adherence to guidelines). It's then described by the digital health intervention (e.g., scheduling HW activities, or notify stock categories) and application category (e.g., LMIS, telemedicine).
    - Each project has a unique ID, and there is a function that will prevent a duplicate project name
    - The next version will have additional search functions, including searching globally by health area.
    - Atlas includes historical projects and future projects. All will be shown on the map, and then you can filter by date
- Review of proposed TOR - please provide comments by **22 August** before it goes on new website
- Reminder: reminder to please complete the spreadsheet circulated by Karin Kallander and David Hamer scoping child health studies - includes tab on digital health studies: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ot2Onj5BCdXjcwCxUjH-gRFsToKBGvX3r4xbqO5Miwc/edit
- Questions for discussion
  - Which groups should we be targeting for webinars/presentations - CORE Group, etc.?

How can we increase in country participation/collaboration?