

## Costing and Financing Subgroup Teleconference Minutes

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Agenda Item	Notes	Action Items
Individual and organizational updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• (On behalf of Gunther Baugh/WHO) WHO Global Malaria Programme (GMP)/RACe 2015 project has launched a Request for Proposals (RFP) on a technical support for sustainability planning in 5 countries of the project. The deadlines to confirm interest to bid by email to WHO by Thursday, 10 August 2015, and the final proposals will be due 14 September 2015. Details: <a href="http://www.who.int/malaria/news/2015/race-call-for-proposals-sustainability-planning/en/">http://www.who.int/malaria/news/2015/race-call-for-proposals-sustainability-planning/en/</a></li><li>• Helen Counihan/Malaria Consortium: working on iCCM updates in Uganda.</li><li>• Uzaib: Still working on CHW incentive study. Looking to launch study on iCCM underutilization in 3 countries: DRC and Senegal and one more country (TBD).</li><li>• Colin: In Burkina Faso, he attended a “Best Practices in Health” meeting sponsored by ECOWAS. The theme focused on best practices in RMNCH – several presentations on scaling up and iCCM projects in West Africa. WAHO website contains more information. He also had a chance to meet with Burkina Faso MOH – through the new Global Fund grant, they will be scaling up their program to three additional regions. The program will pay CHWs (\$40USD/month). The CHWs need to be 5k or more from the nearest health facility. The CHWs will be operating in the Sahel, which has some of the worst health outcomes in the country. Region is also very well-known for having nomadic groups, so this strategy will have to be tailored to the local geography and unique challenges of the region.</li></ul>	Ask Gunther if you should have any specific questions about the RFP.
Presentation by Ivy Mushamiri (1 Million CHWs Campaign) on the recent South-South Collaboration Workshop in Accra, Ghana.	Please find the presentation link here: <a href="http://ccmcentral.com/documents/ghana-workshop/">http://ccmcentral.com/documents/ghana-workshop/</a>	Feel free to reach out to Ivy Mushamiri with any questions at <a href="mailto:ivy.mushamiri@millenniumpromise.org">mailto:ivy.mushamiri@millenniumpromise.org</a>

Q&A	<p>Q: Any innovative costing and financing next steps that would be useful to adopt for financing? A: We want evidence on what can be used where and we need lots of policy-level implementation. These next steps need to be better informed by countries.</p> <p>Q: You mentioned how timely the workshop takeaways were to inform discussions at the SDG Summit – what are the biggest takeaways from the workshop that can inform the dialogue there? A: CHWs are so indispensable – this is finally hitting home. While financing will likely not be a big discussion component, it is known that we absolutely need to scale-up CHW programs, especially in light of the SDGs</p> <p>Q: What can the Costing and Financing Subgroup do to keep the momentum going for this? A: Inform everyone of new mechanisms, publications, organizations, etc. 1mCHW campaign doesn't have in-country presence, so any coordinating mechanisms are appreciated. The 1mCHW Campaign also wants to know how they can keep the momentum going, so please give feedback and the most appropriate next steps.</p> <p>Q: The 1mCHW campaign has been at the forefront of partnering with the Ministry of Ghana in advancing CHW profile and doing lots of costing exercise (flagship country). What is the status of the package of services in that program? A: The country decided to implement a new, revamped program. CHWs and volunteer programs are often not paid – want to find a way to operationalize this so they are paid an incentive package and are able to use mobile technology. The training curriculum has been led by World Vision and is about to be completed. We want to ensure that within the partnership, all the CHWs are receiving the same package and incentives.</p>	
AOB	Please let Colin know if you are interested in making a presentation.	