M&E Subgroup Teleconference

Friday, Nov 20th at 10am EST

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Agenda Item	Notes	Action Items
Quick status update on indicators and research questions and next steps (Tanya Guenther)	 After our last call, Tanya reviewed the list of questions and indicators and tried to identify data sources. We can review and consolidate further in advance of a possible face-to-face meeting – get comments over email. Hopefully we can have an in-person meeting in the near future. Possible times would be December 15th-17th or January 12th -15th 	Anna will send out a Doodle poll to check availability for face-to-face meeting (with preference for December)
Overview of Feb 2016 regional iCCM scale up meeting- M&E session (Nick)	 Meeting dates are February 16-18, 2016 in Nairobi, Kenya. The proposed countries to attend are: Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Cote d'Ivoire, DRC, Ghana, Mali, Niger, and Nigeria. Proposed organizations: FTT, Global Fund, Rollback Malaria, Gates Foundation (funder), UNICEF ESARO and WARO, iCCM malaria and supply chain focal points from UNICEF, WHO AFRO, and RBM regional coordinators. Primary focus is on countries that submitted successful concept notes for Global Fund money. Discussions will include optimizing implementation now that the money has been provided. They'll also review the national implementation and scale up plan, and look at supply chain management (especially planning for supply chain when the funding doesn't pay for essential commodities). In terms of M&E, we'll want to know what indicators these countries have picked up and monitored thus far. The Global Fund has a template with indicators for the malaria program component. The iCCM M&E group provided input on recommended indicators for iCCM, but these are not required by GF. For routine health information systems, iCCM indicators are not yet included as a requirement for GF tracking. This has implications for how we monitor these programs as they scale up. What is the process 	Nick to share some more information over email as it becomes available. Dyness/Nick – share template with indicators for malaria program component.

	 for getting these indicators selected? We are advocating for the Global Fund to include iCCM indicators and require the principal recipients and sub recipients to report on these. Thus far, only the preliminary agenda is out, including detailed session descriptions. The primary targets for this meeting are Program Managers for child health and malaria. We also need M&E people to attend from each health unit to inform the discussion of how practical these indicators are. 	
Partner updates on M&E plans/work for iCCM in 2016 (all)	 IRC: working on large strategy document for IRC 2020 strategy (there are new indicators that are being built for each component of the strategy). They come up with indicators to use and expand on indicators for programs. Working on building up M&E capacity of each team to address research elements and data quality elements of the indicator list. ICF: RACE data quality assessments in several countries. STC: RACE project areas in Malawi and Mozambique, doing household survey data collections in late summer/early fall. Collecting a lot of data in 2016 – doing some quality of care assessments and will collect additional data from initial discussions. Question list will be helpful in the future. 	
AOB	 Dyness: Took an initial quick look at CHNRI done for iCCM in relation to M&E and from the APHA symposium. We need to look at existing systems, particularly for routine data systems, and identify priorities for M&E. We didn't find any questions that matched CHNRI with this gap and direction. When looking at the CHNRI questions themselves – they don't come out as specific to M&E. Most of the questions are around implementation of iCCM and practices are linked to the monitoring and evaluation aspect; there is an element of how information is collected. 	Further discussions on research questions to take place at face-to-face meeting