

Nutrition Subgroup Teleconference

August 12th, 2015 at 9am EST

Agenda Item	Notes	Action Items
Action points from last call	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dolores will be attending the CORE Group in October. At the next call we will discuss the focus of her presentation more. • We were hoping to have more country-level discussions, other than Kenya. Makes sense for SC team in London to provide an update. 	
Prioritization of Research Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thanks to everyone who participated. There is a fair amount of combination between questions and new issues/aspects of nutrition. • Members provided input for important and viable questions to pursue, but we also need to specify which questions, as an individual or an organization, we are interested in pursuing. Hopefully will get some people who are interested in contributing. • There was a low response rate – we will extend the deadlines. Some people aren't able to participate in this group because they have overextended their time. • We will use a rating/ranking system of the questions to figure out research priorities. 	<p>Link is still open – we will leave it open for another couple of weeks. Saul will send a reminder with the links.</p> <p>After we solicit responses, we can connect with the Operations Research group and share this information.</p>
Kenya: Save the Children update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Able to identify funding to develop strategies and thinking. Hoping to recruit a consultant by October to design an iCCM/nutrition pilot that would involve data that is currently available. Will look at research questions and identify which ones are feasible. • Design of iCCM moves to adapt to specific parts of the country in which it will be implemented. 	Emily will share TOR and draft documents.
Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalizing details of a potential funding opportunity. If we are successful, we would be able to utilize \$750k to put into an operational research opportunity. Hopefully it will be enough to fund a large intervention and to get a large approval concept so we can build something larger. Kenya seems to be an interest for this. A critical part of investing resources. • Saul will be able to update us next month during our call. Need to figure out if we are on the same page with how funding is invested. At 	

	<p>the moment, the funding is not earmarked for any specific country or research question.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • USAID currently has an RFP for community health work – could be something to investigate. • We should figure out a plan for funding and other opportunities. • In the future, we will start restricting the call so we can partition the work and so participants feel more accountable. 	
AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share research and prioritization questions with iCCM in Emergencies group as well. Could tap into funding research as well. Nate Miller (UNICEF) and Save the Children are heading that group. • Update on projects going forward will be provided to CORE Group attendees. 	<p>We will now have an organizational update to solicit information.</p> <p>UNICEF participants will reach out to Nate Miller to collaborate on these research questions.</p> <p>UNICEF will have a free breakfast next time! Would be great to have lots of people in person.</p>