CCM Task Force Nutrition Subgroup Teleconference

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| Update from Kenya | • UNICEF Kenya is now in the process of conducting a study that links management of malnutrition and iCCM. This study will take place in two counties in Kenya. One county initiative is led by UNICEF and the other by ACF.  
  • The study looks at the overall healthcare delivery system including positive and negative effects of the iCCM components on pneumonia, diarrhea, malaria and acute malnutrition. It also aims to learn how the management of acute malnutrition works and its contribution in the overall efficiency of the system.  
  • The study team has drafted different TORs and the draft protocol has started implementation. The protocol looks at what components of the tool are in the register. It’s important to be clear from the start what is expected from the primary investigator.  
  • Tentatively this will be a randomized control study and they will be monitoring key indicators to simulate implementation research that will have an M&E component.  
  • Currently the technical advisor committee is being formed. Within the coming two months they will start this activity in country. The study will likely take place over three years or more, however this has not yet been finalized. The study will also screen and treat for both moderate and severe acute malnutrition.  
  • In Pakistan they observed the supervision of the female community                                                    | Contact M&E subgroup and WI subgroup to discuss potential for collaboration  
                                                                         | If you are involved in a study on iCCM and nutrition send your study information to Sarah and Jose to update the matrix on CCMCentral |
health workers. They identified clear gaps in the supervision the CHWs received and they put together a mentoring model. The mentoring model illustrated a positive impact on CHW’s performance.

M&E Subgroup Update

- The M&E Subgroup is working to update the 12 routine indicators for iCCM.
- The nutrition subgroup should contact M&E Subgroup members to include the management of acute malnutrition (severe and acute) to include nutrition in these indicators.
- Additionally, for MCSP DRC is currently planning a study to integrate nutrition into the iCCM package which has been a joint collaboration between the nutrition and child health teams. This study will illuminate cultural beliefs and conceptions as well as the gaps around iCCM/nutrition.
- This study will also provide an opportunity for strengthening and see how we can break the cycle. Currently, the protocol has been drafted and is under review. We have also received feedback on the tools from USAID. The team has also identified researchers and will submit to the ethics committee in both DRC and the US.
- We will develop a list of donors and then on the other side a list of their interest in iCCM to think of how we can share funding opportunities.

OR Subgroup Update

- The OR Subgroup recognized that when the CHINRI methodology was used to identify iCCM research questions they did not include nutrition, but the subgroup has come up with a list of research questions.
- If you are involved in doing a study on iCCM and nutrition please provide this information detailed below so we can update this
matrix on CCMCentral.
- Title of the study
- Country
- District
- Contract person
- Duration of the study
- Can include the funding organization/agency

| AOB | Next meeting will be on December 5th at 9:30am EST | Sarah will send out the calendar invitation |