Nutrition Subgroup Meeting

4 February, 2021
Subgroup Goal

To strengthen equitable and comprehensive nutrition programs - focused on ENA and including care for children with SAM - through primary health care, inclusive of community health systems.
Proposed Objectives

• Collate and disseminate tools, guidelines and evidence on integration of early detection and treatment of acute malnutrition (severe and moderate wasting) into health services (e.g. Family MUAC, iCCM plus Nutrition), at community and facility levels.

• Coordinate and support partners' (subgroup members and others) efforts to scale-up promotion of infant and young child feeding through health systems, both at community and facility level, and in development and humanitarian contexts.

• Facilitate the sharing of best practices from countries that have successfully integrated ECD and nutrition interventions at the community level.

• Provide a platform for members to discuss current evidence on interventions to prevent child wasting, with a particular focus on the early stages of life.
Members’ Feedback So Far

Please indicate which of the following proposed objectives you would like to see the subgroup address. (You can select more than one).

9 responses

- Collate and disseminate tools, guidelines: 7 (77.8%)
- Coordinate and support partners’ (subgroup): 6 (66.7%)
- Facilitate the sharing of best practice: 5 (55.6%)
- Provide a platform for members to discuss: 3 (33.3%)
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<th>All are great and excellent if achieve.</th>
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<td>I think the group is best placed to collate, disseminate, and facilitate sharing. In terms of the topics, I think it should or could be about strengthening / integrating a wide range of nutrition services into health services (ECD, IYCF / wasting prevention, early detection of malnutrition, wasting treatment, IYCF, breastfeeding counseling).</td>
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<td>To make use of locally available food in management of severe acute malnutrition in a community by training the care givers/parents and health educate them using local understandable language</td>
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<td>Treatment of small and nutritionally at-risk infants &lt;6m (an IMCI type care pathway is being set up for them, due to be finalised Feb 2021 <a href="https://www.ennonline.net/ourwork/research/mami">https://www.ennonline.net/ourwork/research/mami</a>)</td>
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Which of the following proposed objectives would you like to see the subgroup address?

- **Objective 1: Collate & disseminate tools, guidelines & evidence on integration of acute malnutrition treatment**
  - 84%

- **Objective 2: Coordinate & support partners’ efforts to scale-up promotion of IYCF**
  - 58%

- **Objective 3: Facilitate sharing of best practices from countries on integrated ECD**
  - 58%

- **Objective 4: Provide a platform for members to discuss current evidence on preventing child wasting**
  - 65%
Discussion Questions

• How can the subgroup meet the proposed objectives?
• How would partners like to structure meetings? Any other thoughts?
• A call for volunteers
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Subgroup information, recordings and presentations from previous meetings and webinars are available on the subgroup page of the Child Health Task Force website:  
[www.childhealthtaskforce.org/subgroups/nutrition](http://www.childhealthtaskforce.org/subgroups/nutrition)

*The recording from this meeting will be available on this page later today*

Suggestions for improvement or additional resources are welcome. Please email childhealthtaskforce@jsi.com.