



Minutes, DPG Health meeting Wednesday, 6th February 2019, UNICEF Conference room

Present

1. Meaghan Byers	Canada	DPG H Chair
2. Norzin Grigoleit-Dagyab	Germany	DPG H Outgoing Chair
3. Leticia Rweyemamu	WHO	DPG H Secretariat
4. Tina Thorborg	Denmark	Member
5. Gradeline Minja	Denmark	Member
6. Britt H Kjolas	Norway	Member
7. Dr. Peter Nyella	Ireland	Member
8. Hiltruda Temba	PEPFAR	Member
9. Otilia Scutelnicu	UNAIDS	Member
10. Maximillian Mapunda	WHO	Member
11. Dr Theopista John	WHO	Member
12. Khalil Jah	WHO	Member
13. Isaac Boateng	WHO	Member
14. Felister Bwana	UNFPA	Member
15. Dr. Hashina Begum	UNFPA	Member
16. Pascal Kanyinyi	KfW	Member
17. Kira Thomas	KOICA	Member
18. Rutasha Dadi	Canada	Member
19. Giampiero Baldassarri	GIZ	Member
20. Milly Kayongo	USAID	Member
21. Patrick Swai	USAID	Member
22. Jacqueline Matoro	Swiss Embassy	Member
23. Suse Matamwa	DFID	Member
24. Peter Okwero	World Bank	Member
25. Andrew William	IOM	Member
26. Dan Brun Peterson	MOHCDGEC	Guest

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introduction of members
2. Adoption of the Minutes, Agenda and Matters arising
3. Updates on SWAp events
4. Update on Demographic Health Survey (DHS) discussions
5. Critical issues from TWGs/Thematic Areas
6. Updates on key events/ Upcoming events, missions
7. AOB
8. Next DPG H meeting: 6th February 2019



ACTION POINTS:

- **DPG H monthly consultative meetings with the PS-MOH:** DPG H Troika to discuss with PS the proposed issues by the DPG H.
- **Preliminary Analysis on the potential MTRs overlaps:** DPG H Secretariat to re-share with DPs.

1. Welcome and Introduction of members

The DPG H Chair welcomed all members to the meeting followed by round of introductions.

2. Adoption of the Minutes, Agenda and Matters Arising

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved with corrections on GFF under Critical issues from TWGs/Thematic Areas Agenda item to include: WB will be holding standalone meetings on GFF where the GFF Coordinator will be invited to share updates. Agenda for this meeting adopted.

3. Updates on SWAp events

DPG H Troika monthly consultative meetings with the PS-MOH: The DPG H Troika together with the Secretariat and the HBF Coordinator participated in the consultative meeting with the Permanent Secretary (PS) on 21st January 2019 in Dodoma. The summary of the meeting has been shared with all DPs. The PS emphasized on the improving quality of care. She requested DPs support to fulfil this. The next monthly meeting is planned for 15th February 2019 in Dodoma. The PS also handed the signed Policy Commitments to the DPG H Chair, they will be included in the 2019/2020 budget.

Feedback on the consultative meeting with HSSP IV MTR Team Lead, MTR Task Force:

The HSSP IV MTR Team Lead met with the DPG H and the MTR Task Force last week for his preliminary visit where the MTR process was presented. 8 regions including 4 previous regions to assess progress from the last MTR and 4 new regions have been selected. Gender study will also be conducted where 3 districts will be selected from each of the 8 regions. A total of 18 experts from government, DPs, UN, CSOs and the private sector will be involved in the Technical support team. They will participate throughout the process to provide technical support. The MTR Governance will include: Steering Committee where DPG H Troika will represent the DPG H; and the Task Force where a few DPs represent the DPG H. The key issues from stakeholders inception visit meetings included: alignment of the MTR to the revised National Health Policy and its Implementation Plan; harmonizing next generation HSSP with the Health Policy and its Implementation Plan; and deepening RMNCAH One Plan II MTR. This is because the One Plan II has more indicators which will not be covered by the HSSP IV MTR.



Discussions: There was a concern from DPs on the need for a scientific and balanced selection of regions to ensure country representation. They also requested selection criteria to be shared. The HSSP IV MTR is fully funded, One Plan II MTR is partially funded. It was requested that a Preliminary Analysis on the potential MTRs overlaps be re-shared with DPs. For the MTR Technical support team, DPs recommended experts with relevant skills within the DPG H to represent the group.

Agenda topics for the next monthly consultative meeting with PS-MOH, PORALG-H:

- HRH shortage
- Alignment of the HSSP IV MTR findings with the revised National Health Policy and its Implementation Plan. Should we wait until the Policy and its Implementation Plan are approved?
- Family planning-suspension of both community outreach and radio broadcasting.

4. Update on Demographic Health Survey (DHS) discussions

After DPs discussions on the next DHS, Canada followed up with NBS where it was informed that the NBS has already started discussing it internally. They will stick to the current schedule. They will hold meetings with MOHCDGEC, DPs and other stakeholders in March 2019. They will also include micronutrient component. It was suggested to discuss with NBS to include maternal mortality ratio.

5. Technical Working Groups/Thematic Areas Updates

RMNCAH TWG: No TWG meeting last month. They attended Health Data Collaborative meeting organized by the MOHCDGEC in collaboration with WHO to discuss maternal mortality measurements. Countries have not been using DHS to inform progress.

Family Planning group has been informed of the suspension of community outreach and radio broadcasting on FP. They were asked to continue with one-on-one activities. There will be an FP Donor Group meeting on 12th February.

Health Basket Fund: There will be a Performance monitoring and Audit Sub-Committee meetings tomorrow Thursday, 7th February 2019.

DPG AIDS: No meeting last month since last DPG Health meeting (the last DPG AIDS meeting took place on 15th of January 2019 and updates to DPG Health were provided during previous meeting on 16th of January 2019). The PEPFAR COP 2019 planning workshop took place from 23rd - 25th January 2019. There is 23% budget reduction for COP 2019 compared to COP 2018. USD 395m made available for COP 2019 implementation in Tanzania. The COP 2019 SDA document is due 29th March 2019. A regional COP planning workshop will take place beginning of March 2019 in Johannesburg.



Global Fund: There will be a Country Team mission to Tanzania during the week of 25th February 2019 which will focus on the reprogramming. The proposal on reprogramming submitted by the NACP in December 2018 was not approved by GFATM and needs revision.

DPG Nutrition: National Nutrition Survey report is being finalized. It will be presented once approved by NBS. TFNC has started processes for National Multisectoral Nutrition Action Plan MTR.

Ebola/ cholera/ dengue/anthrax outbreak updates:

Ebola: the number of cases are going up in DRC. To date there are 785 cumulative cases; 731 confirmed; 54 probable and 484 deaths. No reported case in Tanzania. Discussions are on-going with the MOHCDGEC on EVD vaccination of health workers. The need for strengthened regional coordination within the East African Community and with DRC was raised.

Dengue: in the week ending 3rd February 2019, the MOH has notified WHO on an on-going dengue fever outbreak. The outbreak started since August 2018 and 38 cases and zero deaths have been reported from Dar es Salaam(19) and Tanga(19).

Anthrax: the outbreak has been controlled.

More information on the outbreaks updates can be found at the DPG H website link:
http://www.tzdp.org.or.tz/fileadmin/documents/dpg_internal/dpg_working_groups_clusters/cluster_2/health/DPG_H_Meeting_Documents_2019/EVD_Preparedness_Update-06022019.pdf

6. Updates on key events/Upcoming events

- **A follow up meeting on quality of care** will be held in Addis Ababa by the Network of Quality of Care which involves UN Agencies. Last year the meeting was held in Tanzania.
- **WHO Functional Review Team** will be pleased to meet with the DPG H on 14th February 2019 from 11am - 12pm at WHO Conference room.
- **WHO Scoping mission** on 25th February 2019.
- **MOHCDGEC Resource mobilization meeting on Ebola** on 21st February 2019.

7. AOB

No any other business.

8. Next meeting:

Next DPG H meeting will be held on **13th March 2019**.