

MCHIP Quarterly Report

Reporting Period: October 1, 2008- March 31, 2009

Highlights

- Start-up meetings with USAID Expanded AOTR Team, and Core AOTR team: October 6, 2008
- Start up meeting: Orient technical, program and partner staff to MCHIP. Begin work planning phase: October 21-23, 2008
- Submitted proposal for first MCHIP Associate Award for Bangladesh – 15 Million for 4.5 years
- MCHIP Brief that provides basic MCHIP details for USAID, partners and other stakeholders finalized. March 31, 2009
- MCHIP Associate Award brief developed and disseminated
- MCHIP logo designs developed, shared with partners and USAID for final selection. March 2009
- MCHIP new office site (1776 Massachusetts Ave, NW) to accommodate a larger team, identified and negotiated. March 30, 2009
- Developed job description, recruited and hired MCHIP Family Planning advisor (Start date 1 June 2009)

Work Plan Development

October 2008

- Child Health, nutrition, malaria, CCM and immunization
- Wat/San and Urban Health meeting with Mary/HIP AOTR and Anthony Holt Urban Health
- USAID/AFR/SD MCHIP meeting with Mary Harvey, George Grier, Roy Miller, Lily Kak
- USAID HIDN, Wat/San and HIV/AIDS integration expanded team meeting

- USAID RH/FP/PAC meeting with Trish MacDonald, Maureen Norton and Patricia Stevenson, Carolyn Curtis and ACCESS/FP

November 2008
USAID Core AOTR planning meeting
CH, PVO, Malaria meetings
USAID/AFR/SD follow-up meetings
Preliminary work plan presentation to USAID: 18 November 2009
USAID MCHIP Child Health meetings to begin country analysis: Wat/San, ARI, IYCF, immunization
USAID BASICS MCHIP Child Health meeting with focus on country work for transitioning
December 2008
CORE Group MCHIP meeting
Priority countries meeting with CTOs
MCHIP meeting with USAID Reproductive Health team
LAC meeting with Peg Marshall and Kelly Sardonia
First Draft Y1 workplan submitted: 30 December 2008
January 2009
Nutrition meeting
USAID/AFR/SD follow-up meetings
MCHIP MNH Team Meeting with USAID to discuss Pathways
AFR/SD and Africa 2010 MCHIP meeting
AIM Project and MCHIP meeting
Presentation for Richard Greene and HIDN Staff: Koki and Pat presented 5-year strategy and proposed Y1 workplans: 15 Jan 2009
Pat Daly and Joseph De Graft Johnson attend Healthtech meeting on new technologies (if this was at PATH through Telecon then I was also present
Coordination meeting with SNL/USAID/MCHIP on opportunities with UNILEVER, Baby kits, handwashing for newborn care—

Meeting with AOTR to receive USAID feedback on Y1 workplan
February 2009
Second Draft of Y1 workplan submitted: 25 February 2009
March 2009
Malaria Working Group convenes first meeting
Malaria Strategy meeting: MCHIP and USAID's PMI team met to discuss and MCHIP's long-term strategy and discuss elements for Y1 workplan
Meeting with HCI on Collaboratives
CCM scale up meeting with PMI and other partners including MCHIP and BASICS
BASICS CCM lessons learned meeting
Third draft of Y1 workplan submitted: 27 March 2009
Y1 Workplan approved: 31 March 2009

SO 1 Global Leadership

- Patricia Gomez represented MCHIP at Newborn meeting in Geneva: January 2009
- Patricia Gomez attended ICM/UNFPA-sponsored consultation on Strengthening Midwifery in Geneva, 2 -3 February 2009.
- Jeff Smith represented MCHIP at Health Systems 2020 meeting in Philippines. His presentation on priority, evidence-based interventions for reducing maternal mortality created a strong shift toward maternal and newborn health in the focus of the subsequent action plans developed by the 7 country teams. January 19-24, 2009
- Collaboration with BASICS/USAID/SNL by Joseph De Graft Johnson on Newborn Resuscitation Meeting. Michel Pacque and Mary Carnell represented MCHIP at USAID/BASICS/SNL consultation on Newborn Resuscitation: Strategies for Settings from the District Hospital to Community, March 12, 2009
- LiST Tool trainings: Orient MCHIP and USAID staff to LiST tool methods and applications – 29 January at MCHIP- beginner session, 5 February at USAID/NPC- beginner session, 26 February- 2 session (1 beginner, 1 advanced). JHU/IIP supported training and wrote detailed explanations about the use of LiST with vaccines in response to questions raised by some USAID personnel
- Emmanuel Wansi traveled to Mali to participate in a national forum examining community health workers and the package of service they deliver. March 15-22, 2009

- Planning for and execution of First Meeting of Technical Working Group on Pre-Eclampsia/Eclampsia on 6 April 2009. Follow up work continues to consolidate what came out of that meeting to establish membership and terms of reference for task force groups
- Koki Agarwal and Mary Carnell represented MCHIP at Congressional Briefing on Accelerating Child Survival where Peter Salama UNICEF, Richard Greene USAID, David Oot SCF and One Campaign presented with Representative McCollum presiding- March 31
- Koki Agarwal invited to present on maternal mortality at a Congressional briefing initiated by the Foreign Affairs Committee and Global Health Council. March 20, 2009
- Teleconference with Unilver/USAID/MCHIP on opportunities for collaboration on handwashing for newborn health (Jan. 23) and subsequent development of concept paper on HW for newborn health by Pat Daly and Dan Abbott.
- PE/E quality of care survey development, including holding three survey development meetings, reviewing existing facility survey tools, establishment of first field test country (Ethiopia), participation in and presentation to PE/E Global TWG.
- Meeting with Igor Rudan to discuss process for defining USAID priorities in operational/implementation research

SO2 Country Program Development

- DRC - Concept paper for continuation of BASICS and IMMbasics work in DRC prepared and approved by USAID/Kinshasa and AOTR team; transition planning with BASICS; transition and detailed work plan under development
- India - Transition planning with IMMbasics team (funded by IMMbasics); discussions with Mission about possible work with HCI and PCP projects on newborn hand washing initiative; also discussions with Mission about potential continuation of ACCESS training of skilled birth attendants
- Kenya - Preparation and submission of preliminary work plan and budget to begin processing of a MAARD for Mission-funded child health and immunization program; proposal development by Jhpiego country office with travel by Lora Shimp under IMMbasics and by Mary Carnell under MCHIP to meet MOH, MCHIP partners, and USAID.
- Mozambique - Development of workplan and budget for submission to USAID/Maputo for two-year, Mission-funded MN/FP quality improvement project with MOH
- Bangladesh - Preparation of proposal to continue and expand ACCESS work in Bangladesh under an MCHIP Associate Award (MCHIP partners funded this proposal development)

- S. Sudan – Initial assessment and planning missions (Jan/Feb) funded by IMMbasics
- Nigeria – Workplan and Budget submitted to USAID/Nigeria to continue ACCESS work through 30 September 2009

SO 3

- Conducted reviews of 16 Mid-term and 8 Final Evaluation Reports from CSHGP Grantees;
- Conducted monthly check-in meetings with HQ Backstop staff for 8 newly-awarded CSHGP Grants to support their Detailed Implementation Plan development processes;
- Provided review and feedback support to preliminary operations research/program learning designs for 5 newly awarded “innovation grantees” in the CSHGP;
- Updated CSHGP Information System to include background information on newly-awarded grantees;
- Updated Malaria Technical Reference Module in collaboration with PMI team;
- Posted revised KPC MNC Module; Sustainability Planning Framework User’s Guide, and FY09 KPC Rapid CATCH Tool at www.childsurvival.com
- Integrated CSHGP Feedback on “From Public Health Problems to New National Policies: the role of the Child Survival and Health Grants Program in Advancing Innovation”; document planned for final review and dissemination in Spring 2009.
- Dr. Jim Ricca attended the International Health Facility Assessment Network Meeting in Geneva to present on and discuss potential wider applications of the Rapid Health Facility Assessment Tool (RHFA): Jan 21—23, 2009.
- Dr. Michel Pacque provided on-site technical support to MCP new grantee ASPI in Ghana to assist them in workplan development.
- Dr. Michel Pacque participated in CORE’s Technical Advisory Group meeting on the PD Hearth Model: Feb 6, 2009.
- Participated in planning for various sessions to be conducted at the CORE Spring Meeting, including ones on Operations Research (Jennifer Luna); Formative Research (Peter Winch); Plenary: Communicating the Community Health Agenda to Global Stakeholders: Using Evidence, Messaging and Media to Make Your (Jim Ricca and others); and a brief introduction to MCHIP (Leo Ryan)- 24 April 2009.
- JHU/IIP has discussed community KMC strategy with Joseph de Graft-Johnson; a working group has been formed.
Conducted briefing on CSHGP Learning Agenda, with focus on Newborn, CCM, and work through CHWs; attended by Lily Kak, Troy Jacobs; Maria Francisco; Linda Banda; Nazo Kureshy, Elaine Menotti.
- Updated MCP reporting and workplan guidance for FY 08 Annual Reports and FY 09 workplans
- Provided input to CSHGP Results Review, PMI Annual Report, and CS Report to Congress, with focus on analyses from CSHGP and PMI programs;

- Contributed to early planning for CORE-sponsored MCP workshop scheduled for Uganda.
- Initiated development of an Elluminate-based Sustainability Planning tutorial for MCP grantees

M & E/ Information Management

- M&E working group:
 1. developed/reviewed M&E sections of Year 1 workplan
 2. In process of revising PMP
 3. In process of developing M&E guidance for country programs
- Information Management working group active (website, team sites, other specific IT stuff) - Last meeting was 16 April. Topics included:
 1. “Dimdim” online conferencing free software. Demo participation; recommend that the MCHIP group at the office begin using it on an interim, trial basis for online meetings.
 2. MCHIP main public website- have registered a hosted site, but are still reviewing the content of some material for a landing page.
 3. MCHIP-Work teamsite-
 4. Jhpiego will be discussing the broad strategy and priorities for the MCHIP public website soon.

Travel:

Pat Taylor	India	1/14/09	2/23/09
Michel Pacque	Ghana	2/4/09	2/27/09
Patricia Gomez	Geneva	1/6/09	1/7/09
Jeff Smith	Philippines	1/19/09	1/24/09
Patricia Gomez	Geneva	2/3/09	2/4/09
Koki Agarwal	India	2/18/09	2/28/09
Emmanuel Wansi	Mali/MCHIP Core Funds	3/15/09	3/22/09
Mary Carnell	Kenya	3/25/09	3/28/09