



20th Meeting of the RBM Partnership
Monitoring and Evaluation Reference Group (MERG)
16-18 January 2013
Harare, Zimbabwe

AGENDA

Objectives:

1. Receive updates from malaria endemic countries and discuss country perspectives on M&E system strengthening
2. Discuss appropriate data collection tools and approaches in different transmission settings
3. Review global reports and indicators 2012
4. Receive updates from partner organizations and MERG task forces
5. Discuss MERG support to address endemic country M&E needs
6. Discuss the role of the MERG
7. Discuss MERG administrative issues

DAY 1-Wednesday, January 16, 2013

Morning Chair: Richard Cibulskis-WHO

9:00-9:10 Welcome and Introductions

- Overview of previous meeting's minutes and action items, and this meeting's goals and agenda (*Richard Cibulskis-WHO*)

Objective 1: Receive updates from malaria endemic countries and discuss country perspectives on M&E system strengthening

9:10-9:30 Zimbabwe (*Andrew Tangwena-Zimbabwe NMCP*)

9:30-9:50 Angola (*Yava Luvundo Ricardo-Angola NMCP*)

9:50-10:10 Mozambique (*Guilhermina Fernandes-Mozambique NMCP*)

10:10-10:30 Swaziland (*Simon Kunene-Swaziland NMCP*)

10:30-11:00 Discussion of country perspectives on M&E system strengthening (*Samson Katikiti-ALMA*)

11:00 - 11:20 Coffee/Tea Break

Objective 2: Discuss data collection tools and approaches in different transmission settings

11:20-11:30 Malaria surveillance bulletin for programmes in ESA (*Khoti Gausi-WHO*)

11:30-12:00 Finding asymptomatic carriers- hotspots and hotpops (hot populations) (*Roly Gosling-UCSF*)

12:00-12:15 A tool for evaluating active surveillance for malaria control and elimination (*Roly Gosling-UCSF*)

12:15-12:30 Elimination scenario planning tool (*Mike Lynch-WHO*)

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch

Afternoon Chair: Erin Eckert-USAID

14:00-14:30 When to transition from household surveys to routine surveillance (*Abdisalan Noor-KEMRI-Wellcome Trust*)

14:30-14:45 Accounting for climatic effects on malaria prevalence estimates (*Adam Bennett-Tulane University*)

14:45-15:00 Health system effects of malaria indicators in Kenya and Tanzania (*Rene Gerrets-University of Amsterdam*)

15:00-15:15 Local continuous MIS surveys (*Anja Terlouw-LSTM*)

15:15-15:30 Evaluation in Easy Access Groups (*Anja Terlouw-LSTM*)

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee/Tea Break

Objectives 3 & 4: Review global reports and indicators & receive updates from partner organizations and MERG task forces

16:00-16:15 P&I Series Reports (*Eric Mouzin-RBM*)

16:15-16:30 P&I Series Report: Defeating malaria in Asia, the Pacific, Americas, Middle East and Europe (*Richard Cibulskis-WHO*)

16:30-16:45 WHO update (*Richard Cibulskis-WHO*)

16:45-17:00 MACEPA-PATH Update (*Rick Steketee-MACEPA-PATH*)

17:00 – 17:15 Solicitation of nominations for MERG Co-Chair (*Thomas Teuscher-RBM*)

17:15 End of Day 1

DAY 2-Thursday, January 17, 2013

Morning Chair: Liliana Carvajal-UNICEF

Objectives 3 & 4: Review global reports and indicators & receive updates from partner organizations and MERG task forces (continued)

9:00-9:30 World Malaria Report 2012 (*Richard Cibulskis-WHO*)

9:30-10:00 Update of Household Survey Indicators for Malaria Control Manual and Malaria Indicator Survey Package (*Elizabeth Ivanovich-MEASURE Evaluation and Fred Arnold-MEASURE DHS*)

10:00-10:15 Survey updates

- DHS/MIS update (*Fred Arnold-MEASURE DHS*)
- MICS 4/5 update (*Liliana Carvajal-UNICEF*)

10:15-10:30 When to conduct DHS/MICS and/or MIS (*Liliana Carvajal-UNICEF*)

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee/Tea Break

11:00-11:30 Implications of revised WHO guidance on IPTp coverage indicators (*Erin Eckert-USAID and Kathryn Andrews-ALMA*)

11:30-11:45 Assessing the validity of the diagnosis and treatment questions in the MIS/DHS/MICS in Zambia (*Adam Bennett-Tulane University*)

11:45-12:15 Facility-based indicators on case management and malaria in pregnancy (*Erin Eckert-USAID and Mike Lynch-WHO*)

12: 15-12:30 Evaluation of the AMFm (*Fred Arnold-MEASURE DHS*)

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch

Afternoon Chair: Steve Yoon-CDC

14:00-14:15 DFID investments in M&E (*Alistair Rob-DFID*)

14:15-14:45 The Global Fund approach to evaluation and M&E investment (*Ryuichi Komatsu-Global Fund*)

14:45-15:00 Experience of PMI evaluations (*TBD*)

15:00-15:15 Guidance for program impact evaluation (*Erin Eckert-USAID and Richard Cibulskis-WHO*)

15:15-15:30 Routine Health Information System Strengthening (*Steve Yoon-CDC*)

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee/Tea Break

16:00-16:15 M&E Assessments (*Mike Lynch-WHO*)

- 16:15-16:30 **Other MERG Task Force activities**
- Capacity Building Task Force (*Elizabeth Ivanovich-MEASURE Evaluation*)
 - Routine Systems Task Force (*Steve Yoon-CDC*)
 - Economic Task Force (*Alistair Robb-DFID*)
 - Morbidity Task Force (*Richard Cibulskis-WHO*)

Objective 5: **Discuss MERG support to address endemic country M&E needs**

16:30-17:15 Discuss the role of the MERG in addressing endemic country M&E needs
(*Thomas Teuscher-RBM*)

17:15 – 17:30 **MERG Co-chair nominations** (*Thomas Teuscher-RBM*)

17:30 **End of Day 2**

DAY 3-Friday, January 18, 2013

Morning Chair: *Thomas Teuscher-RBM*

Objective 6: **Discuss the role of the MERG**

9:00-10:30 Discuss the role of the MERG

10:30 – 11:00 **Coffee/Tea Break**

Objective 7: **Discuss MERG administrative issues**

11:00-12:15 Discuss MERG administrative issues

- MERG workplan 2013-2014 (*Richard Cibulskis-WHO*)
- Plans for upcoming MERG meeting (*Elizabeth Ivanovich-MEASURE Evaluation*)

12:15-12:45 MERG summary and Action Items (*Elizabeth Ivanovich-MEASURE Evaluation*)

12:45 **End of Meeting**

12:45 – 13:45 **Lunch**