



Thirteenth Meeting of the RBM Partnership
Monitoring and Evaluation Reference Group (MERG)

17 –19 June 2009
Washington DC, USA

AGENDA

Objectives:

1. Provide update on recent work and initiatives
2. Review activities related to high-level report on 2010 RBM targets
3. Discuss MERG support to M&E systems strengthening
4. Update on recent methodological and survey work
5. Discuss MERG business issues
6. Update on MERG Task Force activities

Wednesday, 17 June 2009

Morning Chair: R. Steketee

8:30am – 9:00am Welcome and Introductions
· Overview of goals and meeting agenda; review of previous meeting minutes (*R. Steketee*)

Objective 1: Provide update on recent work and initiatives

9:00am – 11:00am Provide update on recent work and initiatives
· RBM Executive Board meeting (*J. Banda*)
· RBM Evaluation update (*J. Banda*)
· Update on MEG meeting (*B. Nahlen*)
· Update on MalERA activities (*TBD*)
· Global Fund 5-year evaluation (health impact) (*M. Lama*)
· Global Fund Scaling Up for Impact Results Report (“Green Report”) (*M. Lama*)
· UNICEF World Malaria Day report 2009 (*E. White Johansson*)
· WHO World Malaria Report 2009 plans (*M. Otten*)

11:00am – 11:15am *Coffee/tea break*

**Objective 2: Review activities related to high-level report on 2010
RBM targets**

11:15am – 11:45am Overview of plans for high-level report on
2010 RBM targets (universal coverage and burden reduction) (*R.
Steketee*)

11:45am – 1:00pm Update on approach for developing
measurement guidance for report

Monitoring universal coverage targets – process for defining
indicators and targets (*E. Eckert*)

- Discussion

1:00pm – 2:30pm *Lunch*

Afternoon chair: *T. Wardlaw*

2:30pm – 3:45pm Update on approach for developing
measurement guidance for report (cont.)

Monitoring burden reduction – process for defining methods and data
sources

- Contribution of the Mortality Task Force (*E. White Johansson*)
- Contribution of the Morbidity Task Force (*M. Otten*)
- Discussion

3:45pm – 4:00pm *Coffee/tea break*

4:00pm – 5:00pm Identify data needs for monitoring universal
coverage targets

- DHS plans for 2009-2010 (*F. Arnold*)
- MICS plans for 2009-2010 (*T. Wardlaw*)
- MIS plans for 2009-2010 (*M. Choi*)
- Update on www.malariasurveys.com website (*F. Arnold*)
- “Dashboard” mapping interface and 2010 RBM targets (*K.
Starace*)

5:00pm – 5:30pm Discussion on filling data gaps for reporting on 2010 targets

5:30pm End of Day 1

Thursday, 18 June 2009

Morning Chair: M. Lama

9:00am – 9:15am Day 1 Summary (*R. Steketee and T. Wardlaw*)

Objective 3: Discuss MERG support for M&E systems strengthening

9:15am – 10:45am Discuss MERG support for M&E systems strengthening

- Country perspectives on M&E system strengthening needs
 - Zambia (*B. Hamainza*)
 - Senegal (*M. Cisse*)
- Partners' perspectives on support needed for M&E system strengthening (*PMI, WHO, World Bank, UNICEF, Global Fund*)
- Malaria M&E training workshops (*E. Eckert*)
- Discussion

10:45am – 11:00am *Coffee/tea break*

Objective 4: Update on recent methodological and survey work

11:00am – 1:00pm Update on recent methodological and survey work

- Continuous survey methodology (*A. Rowe*)
- Gallup malaria surveys (*I. Brown*)
- ACT Watch (*PSI-TBD*)
- Diagnostics measurement issues in the Zambia MIS context (*R. Steketee*)
- Research on routine disease surveillance systems in African countries and an update on recent meeting on malaria surveillance (*M. Otten*)
- IVCC decision support system for insecticide-related choices (*M. Coleman*)

1:00pm – 2:30pm *Lunch*

Afternoon chair: B. Nahlen

2:30pm – 3:45pm Update on recent methodological and survey work (continued)

- Economic assessment in malaria control – brief introduction (*B. Nahlen*)
- Economic assessment in household surveys (*D. MacFarland*)
- Examples of assessing economic benefit due to controlling

malaria

- *Copper Mines and Sugar Industry example in Zambia (D. MacFarland)*
- *Exxon example (TBD)*

3:45pm – 4:00pm *Coffee/tea break*

Objective 5: Discuss MERG business issues

3:45pm – 5:00pm Discuss MERG business issues

- MERG workplan 2009-2010
- MERG leadership
- Plans for upcoming MERG meeting

5:00pm End of Day 2

Friday, 19 January 2009

Morning Chair: *M. Otten*

9:00am – 9:15am Day 2 Summary (*M. Lama and B. Nahlen*)

Objective 6: Provide update on MERG Task Forces

9:15am – 10:30am Provide update on MERG Task Force activities

- Survey and Indicator Guidance Task Force (*E. Eckert*)
- Capacity Building Task Force (*E. Eckert*)
- Dissemination Task Force (*H. Koenker*)
- Routine Systems Task Force (*S. Yoon*)

Discuss key next steps for MERG Task Forces

10:30am – 10:45am *Coffee/tea break*

10:45am – 12:30pm MERG Task Forces (small working groups, as needed)

12:30pm – 1:00pm MERG summary (*R. Steketee*)

1:00pm End of meeting