

Cross-Country Workshop: Malaria and HIV Impact Evaluation Programs
Asmara
February 18-22, 2008
DRAFT Agenda

Objective

The workshop will combine training in impact evaluation methods with program-specific “clinics”. The purpose of the training is to build knowledge on the use of impact evaluation among policy makers and program managers. The objective of the clinics is to apply this knowledge to the design of programs-specific evaluations. The workshop will serve to launch the process of implementation of the evaluations.

Proposed Agenda

The agenda is organized as follows:

1. Sessions to frame the policy discussion
2. Sessions to learn about impact evaluation
3. Program-specific break-up sessions to develop components of the impact evaluation plan:
 - a. Establish priority impact evaluation questions
 - b. Develop impact evaluation designs and concept notes.
 - c. Develop a work program and agree on a core support team for the impact evaluation.
4. Sessions to bring the implementation plan together and agree on next steps

Workshop Outputs & Outcomes

1. Impact evaluation design (concept notes, one per team)
2. IE operations (team composition, data collection requirements, capacity development needs, and budget & financing)
3. Improved skills in using IE as a tool to improve malaria and HIV programs over time

Preparatory work by participating malaria and HIV teams

Each government team will be asked to

1. Define team composition. Each team should include key staff, such as the head of policy, the head of the program, and the head of M&E/MIS/Statistics.
2. Gather information on their intervention as a basis for workshop discussions. Information might include:
 - a. Mapping of proposed interventions (eligibility criteria, unit of intervention)
 - b. Roll-out plans (coverage, timing)
 - c. Inventory of available data and information systems
 - d. Program design issues and questions

Participants (approx. 105)

Minister of Health of Eritrea (1)

Delegates from national Malaria programs of: DRC (5), Eritrea (5), Kenya (1), Nigeria (1), Senegal (1), Zambia (3)

Delegates from national HIV/AIDS programs of: Benin (5), Democratic Republic of the Congo (5), Eritrea (5), Ghana (5), Kenya (5), Mali (3), Mauritania (5), Niger (5), Southern Sudan (7)

The Health Sector Public Expenditure Tracking Program in D.R. Congo (6)

World Bank Task Team Leaders (11)

World Bank impact evaluation team (10)

World Bank HIV team (2)

World Bank country office (2)

Local donor agencies (The Global Fund, WHO, UNICEF, UNAIDS, UNDP, UNFPA, Italian Cooperation) (13)

MONDAY	<i>(Presentations in English with French simultaneous interpretation)</i>
8:30 -9:00	<i>Registration</i>
9:00- 9:45	Welcome and introduction to the HIV and Malaria Impact Evaluation Programs Welcome speech by Mr. Chris Lovelace, World Bank Country Manager Welcome speech by: Hon. Dr. Meky, Minister of Health Elizabeth Lule, Manager, ACTAfrica, World Bank <i>Chair: Arianna Legovini, Lead, Africa Impact Evaluation Initiative, World Bank</i>
9:45-12:00	Country perspectives on current state and challenges of national HIV/AIDS programs Heads of delegations (Eritrea, Benin, Dem. Republic of the Congo, Ghana, Kenya, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Southern Sudan) <i>Chair: Elizabeth Lule</i> Country perspectives on current state and challenges of national Malaria programs Heads of delegations (Eritrea, Dem. Republic of the Congo, Kenya, Nigeria, Senegal, Zambia) <i>Chair: Arianna Legovini</i>
12:00-1:00	Lunch
1:00-1:30	Impact Evaluation Game
1:30-3:00	Introduction to Impact Evaluation <i>Arianna Legovini</i>
3:00-3:30	Coffee Break
3:30-4:30	International Experience in Impact Evaluation in Malaria and HIV <i>Jed Friedman, Markus Goldstein, and Simon Brooker, World Bank</i>
4:30-5:30	Group Exercise: discussion of policy and operational questions in the Malaria and HIV programs <i>Group Facilitators</i>
7:00-9:00	Cocktail and welcome dinner hosted by Hon. Minister Meky
TUESDAY	<i>(French and English sections available for each activity)</i>
9:00-9:30	Game results
9:30-10:30	Measuring Impact – Methods: Causal inference & randomization <i>Impact Evaluation Team</i>
10:30-11:00	Coffee
10:30-12:30	Measuring Impact – Methods: Regression discontinuity and difference-in-differences <i>Impact Evaluation Team</i>
12:30-1:30	Lunch
1:30-3:00	Measuring Impact – Methods: Random promotion, instrumental variables and matching <i>Impact Evaluation Team</i>
3:00-3:30	Coffee
3:30-5:30	Group Exercise – Case study in impact evaluation: ‘Getting out the Vote’ <i>Group Facilitators</i>
WEDNESDAY	
9:00-6:30	Field Excursion
THURSDAY	<i>(Presentations in English with French simultaneous interpretation)</i>
8:30-9:30	Operational aspects of impact evaluation <i>Arianna Legovini</i>
9:30-10:30	Sampling <i>Impact Evaluation Team</i>
10:30-10:45	Coffee Break
10:45-11:30	Indicators <i>Impact Evaluation Team</i>

11:30-12:30	Group Exercise – Indicators
12:30-1:30	Lunch
1:30-1:45	Guidance for the break-up group work
1:45-3:30	Group work: impact evaluation design <i>Group Facilitators</i>
3:30-4:00	Coffee Break
4:00-6:00	Group work: impact evaluation design <i>Group Facilitators</i>
FRIDAY (<i>Presentations in English/French with French/English simultaneous interpretation</i>)	
9:00-10:30	Group work: timeline and planning <i>Group Facilitators</i>
10:30-11:00	Coffee Break
11:00-12:30	Group work: wrap up and preparation of powerpoint presentations <i>Group Facilitators</i>
12:30-1:00	Lunch
1:00-3:00	Presentations and Feedback
3:00-3:30	Coffee
3:30-5:00	Presentations and Feedback
5:00-5:30	Next steps and Closing