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KCP II - Research on HIV/AIDS Prevention and Treatment

KCPII - KNOWLEDGE FOR CHANGE PROGRAM II

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OVERVIEW

Overall Assessments and Ratings

Grant Objectives:
Globally, an estimated 33.4 million people were living with HIV in 2008. Although in recent years, impressive gains have been made in scaling up treatment and access to antiretroviral therapy (ART), an estimated 2 million people lost their lives to AIDS, and an estimated 2.7 million became newly infected in 2008. This means that Goal 6 of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) (to halt or reverse the spread of HIV by 2015) will not be met unless new, innovative programs can be found to scale-up treatment in an effective way and reduce transmission. The global epicenter of the AIDS pandemic is in Africa, where an estimated 22.4 million people were living with HIV at the end of 2008, and approximately 1.9 million new infections occurred during that year (UNAIDS, 2009).

Research agenda:
A team in DECRG HD-PS has set up a series of prospective impact evaluations of HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment interventions and programs.

In Tanzania and Lesotho, the team started two projects to rigorously evaluate the impact of two prevention interventions which provide monetary incentives for remaining STI/HIV negative: young adults (18-30) receive Conditional Cash Transfers (CCT) on the condition that they remain negative for a set of curable sexually transmitted infections (STI). Those STIs are good proxies for safe sex.

We have also set up impact evaluations of the scaling-up on antiretroviral treatment for HIV/AIDS patients in Burkina Faso, Ghana, Mozambique, Rwanda, Kenya, South Africa and India. We have already collected 19 longitudinal household and/or facility surveys sets under this program in Burkina Faso, Ghana, Mozambique, South Africa and India and we have another 3 ongoing in the same countries.

The questions addressed by these impact evaluations are:
1) Measuring the impact of treatment on the welfare of patients and family members
Over and above lives saved and health outcomes, we will measure the impact on the labor supply of the patient and other family members, the schooling and nutrition of children and other welfare indicators.
2) What are the effects of ART on HIV transmission and prevention? Does the scaling-up of treatment encourages safer behaviors among the HIV patients and the general population or does it leads to disinhibition and riskier behaviors?
3) What are the determinants of treatment success? (i.e. of patient care-seeking behavior and treatment adherence; quantity and quality and of ART services)

The development objective of this grant is to allow the continuation and the completion of the research agenda described above so that it can inform policy makers in the design and implementation of HIV/AIDS treatment and prevention interventions.

Overall progress from 06/01/2010 to 05/31/2011 with regard to Achieving Grant Objectives:
Rating: Satisfactory
Comment:
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1) HIV services delivery and overall quality of care and satisfaction in Burkina Faso: are there privileged patients?
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Submitted to academic journal.

5) Antiretroviral Therapy Awareness and Risky Sexual Behaviors: Evidence from Mozambique

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7) “How do the presence and extent of ARV services affect other health services in the health system? Evidence from Mozambique.”

by Rita Costa, Damien de Walque, Harounan Kazianga, and Mead Over.

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Overall progress from 06/01/2010 to 05/31/2011 with regard to Implementation of Grant Financed Activities:
Rating: Satisfactory
Comment:
We are on target and on schedule.

Grant follow-up and structure
Description and context of Grant:

Expected follow up (if any): Dissemination of new knowledge/technology/best practice

Comment on follow up:
Please see list of 7 papers described above that we will continue to disseminate as working papers, in journals and in conferences.

End Date of Last Site Visit:

Restructuring of Grant:

Activity Risk
Rating: Negligible or Low Risk (Original Risk Rating is Negligible or Low Risk)
Comment:
Risk negligible

Critical Issues and Pending Actions for Management Attention
There are currently no issues and actions for Management attention.

PROGRAM

Program Specific Ratings

1. Rate local capacity building impact. - Highly Satisfactory
2. Rate country participation and ownership. - Highly Satisfactory
3. Rate innovation and/or new knowledge creation. - Satisfactory
4. Rate impact of pilot/demonstration. - Satisfactory
5. Rate applicability to another country or region. - Satisfactory
6. Rate cooperation with research partners. - Highly Satisfactory

Program Specific Questions

1. Is the budget realistic? If not, explain. Are the disbursements on schedule? Additional resources leveraged?
   Budget is realistic. We have leveraged additional resources from BNPP and TFESSD.

2. Progress - are we doing what we said we would do? If not, why not?
   Yes, progress is as expected as described in the list of papers mentioned.

3. Are there any changes in project design, objectives or timing? Explain and comment on the impact.
   No major change until now and no changes expected in the future.

4. Any lessons learned at this point? Can these lessons be applied for future work?
   The major lesson is that it is crucial to build capacity with local researchers. We completed and funded with the KCP a two weeks data analysis workshop in Ghana with local researchers from the Ministry of health.

5. Give a brief account of the activities this year. Comment on surprises and difficulties, if any.
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6. Highlight any success stories and preliminary findings.
The data analysis workshop in Ghana was a big success and is leading to the writing-up of three papers with the collaboration of researchers from Ghana.

DOCUMENTS

List of documents attached to this GRM

1) GRM Report 20110531