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PMNCH Executive Committee Meeting

Teleconference, Monday, 24 February, 2014, 15:30 Geneva time

(09:30 New York/Washington /Ottawa, 11:30 Buenos Aires, 14:30 London, 15:30 Abuja, 16:30 Johannesburg, 20:00 New Delhi)

Agenda

Welcome and introductions

ITEM 1 – Review of NfR of previous meeting

For Approval

Documents:

- NfR of the EC call on 6 December, 2013

ITEM 2 – Financing and governance

For Review

➤ 2014 Workplan and Budget

A draft outline of the 2014 Workplan was presented at the virtual Board Working Session on 12 December, 2014. Building on the helpful discussions at this virtual meeting, the Secretariat developed a full version of the 2014 Workplan and Budget, which was reviewed and on 31 January, 2014, recommended to the Board by the EC for a no-objection approval. A number of questions and requests for clarifications have been received from the Board and the Secretariat is now working on addressing these before the final version of the Workplan and Budget, together with the clarifications, is shared with the EC and the Board. In summary, the workplan is structured around four outcomes, the 2014 Partners Forum, and ongoing support to the Countdown to 2015 initiative. The budget is set at US\$ 12.5m and it is proposed that the EC continues to oversee the funding situation in 2014. Should funding opportunities arise that would allow for a more ambitious budget of around US\$ 14m, the EC will inform the Board about this, including the implications of any proposed changes to the workplan that may be appropriate. At the moment, the Partnership has secured around US\$ 11m of funding for its activities in 2014, and resource mobilisation work is ongoing.

Speaker: Elizabeth Mason (TBC)**Document:** PMNCH 2014 Workplan

➤ Partners Forum: Agenda and Budget

On June 30th and July 1st 2014, PMNCH will co-host its 3rd Partners' Forum at the Sandton Convention Centre, Johannesburg, South Africa. The co-hosts are: A promised Renewed, independent Expert Review Group (iERG) and Countdown to 2015. The Forum will bring together key stakeholders in women's and children's health as well as other sectors to:

- Develop a strategic vision for the RMNCH community to achieve the MGDs and for the post-2015 era, to be set out in a Partners' Forum Declaration
- Take stock and learn lessons from MDG achievements to inform 2015 and beyond, and guide investment and action
- Strengthen shared commitments and accountability for these commitments so that women, adolescents, children and newborns and their families and communities are enabled to realise their right to the highest attainable standard of health in the years to 2015 and beyond.

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The Countdown to 2015 –2014 report and the Every Newborn Action Plan will be launched at the Partners' Forum. Approximately 800 high-level participants will be invited from all RMNCH constituencies. Work is currently underway to develop the programme and invitation list, optimise advocacy and communications and finalise financing and logistics for the event.

Speaker: Carole Presern

Document: Draft Partners' Forum Agenda

ITEM 3 – RMNCH Policy Compendium

For Review

This is a companion document to the Essential Interventions, Commodities and Guidelines for RMNCH. It provides policy makers, programme managers and advocates with an 'at a glance' reference on key health and multisectoral policies that support the delivery of proven interventions to women and children. The Compendium is the result of collaborative work over the past year among many partner organizations, supported by the WHO and the PMNCH, and will now be disseminated widely. Request for EC to suggest opportunities to use the Policy Compendium among constituencies.

Speaker: Kate Somers (TBC)

Document: Policy Compendium

ITEM 4 – Update on the Post-2015 Development Agenda

For Review

PMNCH and 10 agencies organized a side event on Gender Inequality and Adolescent Girls' Health: A Post 2015 Framework for Action on the sidelines of the Eighth session of the Open Working Group which addressed inequalities. The session which brought together over 100 mission representatives, youth and development partners made the case for an investment in the health of adolescent girls and highlighted critical strategies for the Post 2015 sustainable development agenda – summarized in the attached Framework. The Post 2015 working group is also overseeing the revision of the Post 2015 Position. A working draft which is currently being revised to include information on targets proposed to date is attached. A Post 2015 engagement strategy focusing on member state engagement has also been developed.

Speaker: Julian Schweitzer

Document: Gender equality and adolescent girls' health Event Summary
A Framework for Improving the Health of Adolescent Girls
Draft PMNCH Post 2015 Position Paper

ITEM 5 – Update on PMNCH External Evaluation

For Review

The independent evaluation of PMNCH has now commenced. The evaluation is expected to balance both retrospective aspects (in terms of assessing PMNCH's activities and measuring the results achieved) and forward looking aspects in terms of the identification of any key lessons learned and recommendations for future action. Thus, the future of the Partnership, and not its past, is the overall context and focus for the evaluation. The Independent Evaluation Committee oversaw the recruitment of consultants through a transparent and competitive process, awarding the contract to PricewaterhouseCoopers. The inception report for this work has now been submitted to the Evaluation Committee, as at 17 February, 2014. Initial findings and then the draft report will be shared with the Evaluation Committee by 17 April and 30 May, 2014, respectively. The Final Report will be completed one week prior to the Partners' Forum, on 25 June 2014. PWC will present the Final Report recommendations to PMNCH Board on 02 July, 2014.

Speaker: John Good (TBC)

Document: None

ITEM 6 – AOB