

## **Session 3: Break out sessions**

Partnership for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health

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## Possible MNCH priority outcomes

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- **Profile raising and resource mobilisation**
  - Financial and human resource mobilisation at global and national level
  - Linkage between 'internal' and 'external' resource
- **Improved effectiveness of MNCH interventions (to address 'customer' / client needs)**
  - Coordination (national focus)
  - Harmonisation/ alignment
  - Robust information
- **Accountability, leadership/ ownership and better MNCH governance**

## Agreement on criteria/ principles

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- **Where activity in partnership has the potential to either:**
  - **achieve things that could not be achieved by partners on their own or working together in informal collaboration; and/ or**
  - **improve the efficiency/ effectiveness of partner activities and outcomes.**
- **Where the outputs of the activity are (to extent possible):**
  - **measureable;**
  - **innovative/ bold (to capture the imagination of the executive leadership of partners in working together); and**
  - **deliverable in a reasonable time frame (say 3-5 years maximum).**

## Categories of activities

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| <b>Advocacy</b>                                     | <b>Use existing and new information to proactively influence stakeholders external to the partnership</b>  |
| <b>Learning, Knowledge Sharing &amp; Monitoring</b> | <b>Gathering/ sharing information; and monitoring MNCH programs and projects to ensure partner accountability</b>  |
| <b>Harmonisation</b>                                | <b>Harmonise MNCH approaches, tools and processes to improve effectiveness of MNCH policies, programs and investments</b>                                  |
| <b>Facilitation, Coordination and Brokerage</b>     | <b>Bring together MNCH stakeholders to achieve common objectives, and thereby foster new and innovative 'partnering' approaches to reach MNCH outcomes</b> |

## Break out session material

| Activity  | Value added through partnership  | Outputs   | Value added through a version of PMNCH                              |
|---|--|---|---|
| Actively canvas members of G8 and other international groups to ensure inclusion of MNCH into their health communiqués. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Joint influence of executive leadership of partners, through direct access to decision-makers.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MNCH issues included in the G8 Health communiqué.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yes/ No/ Marginal</li> </ul> |

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| 3.       |                                 |         |  |