The Partnership for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health

23rd Board Meeting

Co-hosted by The Dutch Government, Bernard van Leer Foundation, The International Confederation of Midwives, The Dutch Taskforce for Healthcare

Rotterdam Room 1, 2 & 3, The World Trade Centre, Prinses Beatrixlaan 582, 2595 BM, The Hague, The Netherlands

9-11 July 2019

AGENDA

Objectives:

- To consider shifts in the development landscape and global agendas, such as the SDG3 Global Action Plan, Astana Declaration and WHA Declarations on PHC and UHC, and agree on the role of PMNCH to ensure that women’s, children’s and adolescents’ health and well-being receive adequate attention and remain a priority
- To take stock of progress in implementing the PMNCH 2019 workplan and guide on flagship deliverables till end of 2019, in light of agreed focus on high level political engagement, PMNCH contributions to country progress in the context of the EWEC architecture and strengthening / streamlining accountability for progress on WCAH
- To guide the ongoing external evaluation of PMNCH
- To politically engage with key actors in The Netherlands particularly in support of women’s, children’s and adolescents’ health and well-being as it links with the upcoming 2nd Global Ministerial Mental Health Summit, focusing on mental health and psychosocial support in emergencies, hosted by the Government of the Netherlands in Amsterdam on 10 October 2019.

Logistics:

- Board Meeting will take place at the Rotterdam Room 1,2 & 3, The World Trade Centre, The Hague.
- The meeting will be chaired by Board Chair a.i., Ms Preeti Sudan, Government of India, noting that the Board leadership transition will take place during lunch on the second day (11 July) of the Board meeting.
- Coffee breaks will be served in the Plaza outside the Rotterdam room. See agenda for lunch breaks and venues.
- All sessions will be recorded.
- A photographer will be available during the Opening Session and first coffee break (group photo), as well as during the Board reception on 10 July.
- The Secretariat room will be in the Amsterdam Lounge.

Note for Observers

The Partnership’s Board is pleased to welcome a number of Observers to this Board meeting and its associated events. The Observers will be welcome to attend both days of the Board meeting. The Board Chair will welcome contributions to the open discussions during the two days from Observers, whilst noting that Board Members and Alternates will have priority.
**Tuesday, 9 July 2019: Pre-Board events**

**09:00 – 10:30 Briefing session for new Board members & alternates, venue: Amsterdam 4 room**

Helga Fogstad, PMNCH Executive Director

**11:00 – 13:00 Pre-board Constituency meetings (Constituency members only)**

Constituencies will be meeting simultaneously in preparation for the Board meeting

- Academic, Research and Training Institutes (ART) in Eindhoven 3 room (ART members to join the HCPA meeting in room Eindhoven 2 during the second hour of the meeting)
- Adolescents and Youth (AY) in Amsterdam 2 room
- Donors and Foundations and Global Financing Mechanisms (GFM) in Amsterdam 3 room
- Healthcare Professional Associations (HCPA) in Eindhoven 2 room (ART members to join the HCPA meeting in room Eindhoven 2 during the second hour of the meeting)
- UN Agencies in Amsterdam 4 room

**13:00 – 14:30 Board Leadership meeting over lunch**

**Venue: Rotterdam 3 room**

**14:30 – 16:00 Governance and Nominations Committee meeting (GNC), (Committee members only)**

**Venue: Amsterdam 1 room**

**15:00 – 16:30 Strategy and Finance Committee meeting (SFC), (Committee members only)**

**Venue: Amsterdam 2 room**

**16:00 – 17:30 External Evaluation Reference Group, (Group members only)**

**Venue: Amsterdam 1 room**

**16:00 – 17:30 NGO pre-Board Constituency meeting, (Constituency members only)**

**Venue: Eindhoven 2 room**

**17:30 – 19:00 Executive Committee meeting (EC), (Committee members only)**

**Venue: Amsterdam 3 room**

**19:30 – 22:00 Dinner (ice-breaker event)**

**Theme:** Together we can ensure women, children and adolescents remain a priority everywhere

**Venue:** Maduro Room, first floor, Madurodam, George Maduroplein 1, 2584 RZ, The Hague, The Netherlands

**Transportation:** Shuttles have been arranged for transportation from the hotel to the dinner venue and back. Please meet in the hotel lobby at **19:00 sharp**.
Wednesday, 10 July 2019: Day 1 of the Board meeting

Meeting chaired by Ms Preeti Sudan, PMNCH Board Chair a.i.

09:00 – 09:45 Opening Session

- Welcome remarks by Ms Preeti Sudan, PMNCH Board Chair a.i. and Secretary, Health and Family Welfare, Government of India
- Welcome remarks by H.E. Mette Gonggrijp, Ambassador Women’s Rights and Gender Equality and Director Social Development, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Netherlands
- Welcome remarks by Michael Feigelson, Executive Director, Bernard van Leer Foundation (BvLF)
- A video message from Dr Tedros Adhanom, WHO Director General

09:45 – 10:00 ITEM 1 - Approval of previous Board minutes and Declaration of Conflict of Interest

For Decision

Ms Preeti Sudan, PMNCH Board Chair a.i.

Objectives: Any conflict of interest declared, and minutes approved with any suggestions

- Board members declaring any conflicts of interest
- Board Approval of the Note for the Record of the 22nd Board meeting, New Delhi, December 2018

Documents: Note for the Record, 22nd Board meeting, New Delhi, December 2018

10:00 – 10:30 Coffee break and Group Photo in the Plaza outside Rotterdam 1, 2 & 3 room

10:30 – 12:00 ITEM 2 – Women, Children and Adolescents in a shifting landscape and global agendas

For Guidance

Objectives: Guiding on PMNCH’s role in preserving Women, Children and Adolescents at the centre of global agendas, considering ongoing shifts in the development landscape, including at country level

Setting the Scene:

- Report back from the Strategy and Finance Committee and presentation: Anders Nordstrom, SFC Chair (15 min)
- Reflections from WHO re PHC and UHC, including the life course approach to women’s, children’s and adolescents’ health and well-being, by Peter Salama, Health Systems and Innovation, WHO
- Reflections from governments on women’s, children’s and adolescents’ health and well-being (WCAH) as a priority at country level (5 min each)
  - H.E. Mr Ferozuddin Feroz, Minister of Public Health, Afghanistan
  - H.E. Mr Wilhelmina Jallah, Minister of Health and Social Welfare, Liberia
  - H.E. Ms Alpha T. Wurie, Minister of Health and Sanitation, Sierra Leone
- Moderated discussion by Anders Nordstrom, SFC Chair (60 min)

Documents: (a) Draft Advocacy brief on WCAH in UHC; (b) Women, Children and Adolescents’ health in a shifting landscape and global agendas

12:00 – 13:30 Lunch break in the Holland Hall
13:30 – 15:30 **ITEM 3 – Update on PMNCH 2019 workplan (rolling 2018-2020 Business Plan); addressing risks around women’s, children’s and adolescents’ health and well-being**

*For Guidance*

**Objectives:** The Board to note update on implementation of the 2019 workplan and provide inputs and guidance on deliverables for the second half of 2019, addressing risks around WCAH in a shifting global landscape

- Report by, Helga Fogstad, Executive Director, PMNCH (30 min)
- Reflections and feedforward from partner leads:
  - Cross-cutting issues:
    - Women, children and adolescents in UHC, Ann Starrs, Acting Coordinator, PMNCH (5 min- joining by phone)
    - Leveraging digital and frontier technologies for UHC, Stefan Germann, Chief Executive Officer, Fondation Botnar (5 min)
  - Adolescents Health, by David Imbago, Development Liaison of the Board of Directors, Youth Health Organization (5 min)
  - Early Childhood Development, by Willibald Zeck, Unit Chief, Global Maternal, Newborn and Adolescent Health Program, UNICEF and Michael Feigelson, Executive Director, BvLF (10 min)

Discussion 65 min

Documents: PMNCH 2019 workplan; and Link to the 2018-2020 Business Plan


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15:30 – 16:00 **Coffee break in the Plaza outside Rotterdam 1, 2 & 3 room**

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16:00 – 17:30 **ITEM 3 (Cont’d) – Update on PMNCH 2019 workplan (rolling Business Plan); addressing risks around women’s, children’s and adolescents’ health and well-being**

*For Guidance*

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- Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights, by Ann Starrs Acting Coordinator, PMNCH (5 min- joining by phone)
- Quality, Equity and Dignity, by Anshu Banerjee, Director, Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health, WHO (5 min)
- Empowerment of Women, Girls: Road to Beijing 25+ by Lopa Banerjee, Chief, Civil Society Division UN Women (10 min- joining by phone)
- Humanitarian and Fragile Settings, by Zulfi Bhutta, Co-Director Centre for Global Child Health, SickKids and Manuel Carballo, Executive Director, International Centre for Migration, Health and Development (10 min)

Discussion 65 min

Documents: PMNCH 2019 workplan; and Link to the 2018-2020 Business Plan

18:00 – 19:30 Board reception

**Theme:** Mental Health and Psychosocial Support to Women, Children and Adolescents in Humanitarian and Fragile Settings

**Venue:** Holland Hall, The World Trade Centre, The Hague (same venue of the meeting; no transportation is required)
Thursday, 11 July 2019: Day 2 of the Board meeting

First half of the day chaired by Ms Preeti Sudan, PMNCH Board Chair a.i.

08:30 – 10:00 ITEM 4 – Accountability and Every Woman Every Child Commitment Tracking

For Guidance

Objectives: The Board to note the updates, including from IAP, discuss next steps and guide on PMNCH accountability work stream

Moderator: Will Niblett, Board vice-Chair (DfID)

- Recommendations from the Global Strategy Reporting Review to PMNCH, Countdown2030, IAP and H6 on improving alignment, quality and frequency of global reporting: Ann Starrs, Acting Coordinator, PMNCH (by phone) or Miriam Sabin, Technical Officer, PMNCH Secretariat, TBC (10 min)
- Strategy overview of PMNCH’s accountability work stream: (15 min)
  - Update on EWEC commitments: EWEC commitment making and recording, Rebecca Tavares, Interim Coordinator, EWEC Secretariat (5 minutes)
  - Update on PMNCH accountability work stream, including EWEC commitment tracking, Ties Boerma, Director, Countdown to 2030 (10 minutes)
- Strategy overview from IAP, joint presentation: Elizabeth Mason, IAP Member and Shyama Kuruvilla, Acting Director, IAP Secretariat (10 min)
- Board discussion and guidance (55 min)

10:00 – 10:30 Coffee break in the Plaza outside Rotterdam 1, 2 & 3 room

10:30 – 12:00 ITEM 5 – PMNCH enhanced alignment / orchestration role: political engagement strategy

For Guidance

Objectives: The Board to guide on PMNCH’s alignment / orchestration role, the emerging political engagement strategy to be able to influence adequate attention and priority for WCAH in the sustainable development agenda

- Introduction by Anders Nordström, SFC Chair (5 min)
- Presentation of highlights from the PMNCH draft political engagement strategy by Marta Mauras, Senior Consultant (10 min)
- Moderated discussion, facilitated by Anders Nordström, SFC Chair (Sweden) (75 min)

12:00 – 13:00 Board Leadership transition ceremony over lunch in Holland Hall

Second half of the day chaired by Ms Helen Clark, PMNCH Board Chair

13:00 – 15:00 ITEM 5 (Cont’d) – PMNCH engagement at country level

For Guidance

Objectives: The Board to note progress and further guide on PMNCH’s engagement at country level

- Description and status on PMNCH engagement mechanisms at country level, as well as further opportunities
Introduction by Helga Fogstad, Executive Director, PMNCH (5 min)

Strengthening multi-stakeholder platforms and making them more inclusive through the H6, Anshu Banerjee, Director, Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health, WHO as the H6 Chair (5 min)

Alignment between the 3Gs at country level, Anuradha Gupta, Deputy CEO of the GAVI Alliance (5 min)

Global Health Initiatives’ Support to Civil Society Organizations, Betsy McCallon, Executive Director, White Ribbon Alliance (5 min)

GFF civil society engagement, Aminu Garba, Africa Health Budget Network (5 min)

Parliamentarian’s role for WCAH at county level, Aleksandra Blagojevic, Programme Manager, IPU (5 min)

Adolescents and Youth-led coalition and organizations’ role at country level, Gogontlejang Phaladi, Executive Director, Pillar of Hope Organization (5 min)

Healthcare professional associations’ role at country level, Franka Cadee, President, International Confederation of Midwives (5 min)

Academic, research and teaching institutions’ role at country level moving forward, Nuria Casamitjana, Director of Training and Education, IS Global (5 min)

Reflections from Governments (5 min each):
- Ms Tina N. A. Mensah, Deputy Minister of Health, Ghana
- Ms Vandana Gurnani, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India
- Ms Adebimpe Adebiyi, Director/Head, Family Health Department, Federal Ministry of Health, Nigeria

Discussion (70 min)

15:00 – 15:30 Coffee break in the Plaza outside Rotterdam 1, 2 & 3 room

15:30 – 16:30 Item 6 Governance update and PMNCH external evaluation

Objectives: Board to note key updates on PMNCH governance and external evaluation and decide on next steps

- Presentation by Flavia Bustreo, Chair of PMNCH Governance and Nominations Committee and the External Evaluation Reference Group (Fondation Botnar) (15 min)
- Discussion (45 min)

Document: Terms of reference of the External Evaluation Reference Group

16:30-17:00 Item 7 – Review of Board decisions

Objective: Board to review and confirm Board decisions

Ms Helen Clark, PMNCH Board Chair.

17:00 – 17:30 Closing session

Reflections from Board members and closing remarks by:

Franka Cadee, President, International Confederation of Midwives

Ms Helen Clark, PMNCH new Board Chair