Using data to improve the health systems for all in the area of reproductive, maternal newborn and child Health (RMNCH)

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Background

• Countries have made strides in strengthening routine Health Information systems
• However challenges persist related to RMNCH data use re:-
  • data accuracy,
  • decision making all levels of the health system
  • community engagement and participation.
  • capacity development of data collectors and users.
  ensuring beneficiaries receive equitable, high-quality health services.
Session Description

• Session will highlight results and experiences from African countries in improving data use at all levels of the health system.
  • Data visualization case studies from Rwanda and Malawi
  • Examples from Ethiopia and Zambia on using community data to encourage and facilitate shared accountability
  • Examine context specific approaches to overcoming data use barriers
Session Objective

Participants will increase their knowledge of promising approaches and challenges in improving the visualization and use of routine reproductive, maternal, newborn and child health (RMNCH) information at different levels to strengthen health systems in African countries.
Session Flow

• World café Style with round table discussions
• Table hosts will host 3 rounds discussing different aspects of data use to improve (community) health systems in the area of RMNCH
• Each round will last 20 minutes (10 minute presentation and 10 minute discussion)
• Wrap-up session featuring 2 key take away points from each round table
Round Table Topics and Presenters
Aims to sensitize participants and seek feedback on the draft resource package intended to guide stakeholders and implementers of community-based RMNCH interventions on improving data use at community level.

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**TABLE 2**

**Community Health Data Use for Shared Accountability**

Highlights how community leaders, activists, and residents can foster community engagement and shared accountability for monitoring and responding to significant health events and concerns.

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Country Case Study: Rwanda

Participants will gain better understanding on how to support creation and use of routine data dashboards for continuous quality improvement in resource constrained health facility settings.

Edwin Tayebwa: M&E Director, MCSP Rwanda
TABLE 4

Improving availability and quality of routine data for newborns: Malawi experience with KMC

The session will highlight the processes and lessons learned from efforts to support MOH to strengthen collection, reporting and use of routine data at facility level for newborns, with a focus on Kangaroo Mother Care (KMC).

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