

Health Cluster Forum

Montreux (Hotel Eden Palace du Lac), Switzerland

3-5 April 2017

Agenda

The purpose of the forum is to improve the Global Health Cluster capacity building efforts in cluster coordination and leadership, address challenges and areas of concern as selected by the participating Cluster Coordinators, and to document good practices.

Outcomes of the Forum include:

- Strengthen relations and networks among health cluster coordinators
- Documented lessons learnt.
- Recommendations to guide the work to continue to strengthen coordination and improve the health sector humanitarian response.

DAY 1

Monday 3 April 2017

08.30- 08.45	Welcome, opening remarks
Presenter: Linda Doull, Global Health Cluster Coordinator	
Session 1.1	
08.45 -10.00	Participant introductions Agenda and purpose of the forum
Focal points:	Global Health Cluster Unit GHC Strategy Advisory Group
The purpose of this session is to: • Introduce all participants and meeting facilitators • Agree on the meeting agenda, objectives and expected outcomes and rules of engagement Method: Presentation & plenary discussion Background documents • Meeting Agenda Further reading (available on SharePoint) • Results from Pre- Health Cluster Forum Questionnaire	
10.00-10.30	Coffee

Session 1.2	
10.30-12.00	Global trends: the role Health Cluster
Focal point:	Linda Doull, Global Health Cluster Coordinator
The purpose of this session is to: - Review of the major internal and external factors (current crises, post-WHS, Grand Bargain) that are or may influence the work of the health cluster. Method: Plenary presentation and Q & A Background documents - Global Health Cluster Partner Statement – World Humanitarian Summit, May 2016 - IASC System-wide Level 3 Activation for Infectious Disease Events Further reading (available on SharePoint) - Grand Bargain final May 2016 - Agenda for humanity: Annex to the Report of the Secretary-General for the World Humanitarian Summit	
Session 1.3	
12.00-13.00	GHC Multi-Year Strategy 2017-2019: new strategic priorities and enabling actions
Focal point:	Sonia Walia, OFDA, GHC/SAG
The objectives of the session is: To present the new GHC Multi-Year Strategy 2017-2019 The expected of the session is to: - Have a better understanding of the GHC Multi-Year Strategy and its implications in the day to day work of Clusters at Country and sub-national level Method: Plenary presentation and Q & A Background documents - Draft Health Cluster Multi-year strategy – 2017-2019	
13.00-14.00	Lunch

Session 1.4	
14.00-16.00	Differentiated coordination solutions: working in partnership
Focal points: Trina Helderma, Medair, GHC/SAG Pat Drury, Manager, Global Outbreak Alert and Response Network Muhammad Fawad Khan, Health Cluster Coordinator, Iraq Jorge Martinez, Health Sector Coordinator, North East Nigeria Flavio Salio, Emergency Medical Teams, WHO The purpose of this session is to discuss: • The role of Cluster in government led Sector coordination ○ Working within the EOC [Case study – North East Nigeria] • Interface with EMTs and the Cluster Approach ○ Filling the a service gap ○ How to remain impartial? [Case study - Iraq] • Interface with other partner coordination mechanisms: Global Outbreak Alert and Response Network (GOARN). The expected outcome of the session is to identify: • The different coordination needs and related actions that contribute to the various models, in relation to preparedness, response, recovery. • What specific support is needed to achieve the identified actions at country and global levels. Method: Plenary presentation & group work Further reading (available on SharePoint) • Emergency Medical Teams: https://extranet.who.int/emt/sites/default/files/EMT%20Booklet.pdf • Global Outbreak and Response Network: http://www.who.int/ihr/alert_and_response/outbreak-network/en/	
16.00-16.30	Coffee break

Session 1.5	
16.30-17.30	Remote programming and monitoring – a practical approach
Focal points: Trina Helderman, Medair, GHC/SAG Kim Créac'h, The Operational Partnerships The purpose of this session is to: • Present background of the project • Introduce the remote management project The expected outcome of the session is: • Capture opportunities, challenges, recommendations and lessons learned in regards to Remote Programming within Clusters. • To provide direct feedback to the consultants on the development of the guidance and tools to facilitate the work of humanitarian actors working by remote programming. Method: Plenary presentation and discussion Background documents • Definitions of Remote Programming Further reading (available on SharePoint) • Humanitarian Programming and Monitoring in Inaccessible Conflict Settings: A Literature Review	
17.30-18.00	End of the day 1 wrap-up
18.00-18.45	Welcome reception

DAY 2

Tuesday 4 April 2017

08.30-08.45	Outline and objectives of day 2
Objective To agree the day's agenda.	
Session 2.1	
08.45-12.15	Inter/multi – cluster coordination: How do we ensure more effective joint operational programming for better health outcomes?
Focal points: Magda Armah, Health Cluster Coordinator, South Sudan Linda Doull, Global Health Cluster Coordinator Patricia Kormoss, Global Health Cluster	
The purpose of this session is: - To present the GHC ICC project outline in the context of Grand Bargain commitments and WHS pledges - Country level focus: Case study of South Sudan inter-cluster coordination group	
The expected outcome of the session is: - To Define next steps/actions needed to achieve better outcomes in terms of: - Joint planning, analysis and response - Improved inter-cluster coordination group engagement - Roles and responsibilities of the Health Cluster in inter/multi – cluster coordination - How can the Global Health Cluster support country clusters in strengthening inter-cluster coordination?	
Method: Presentation and group work	
Background documents: - Briefing - OFDA funded Inter Cluster Collaborative Initiatives 2017 - Health and WASH Clusters: Concept note on strategies to improve a coordinated and integrated response to cholera and other AWDs - Draft Humanitarian Country Team Terms of Reference	
Further reading (available on SharePoint) - HPC Reference Module 2015 - OCHA: Global Overview Coordination Arrangements 2016 - Emergency Response Preparedness Guidance 2015 - Annex_7-Contingency_plan_template	
10.00-10.30	Coffee Break
12.15-13.30	Lunch

Session 2.2	
13.30-15.30	Localisation: strengthening national capacity
Focal point: Patricia Kormoss, Global Health Cluster Unit Mohammad Dauod Altaf, Health Cluster Coordinator, Afghanistan The purpose of this session is to discuss: • What do we mean by national capacity building? • To what degree is the health cluster responsible for National partners meeting international standards? • Key areas to consider when working with government and partners for transition. (Case study Afghanistan). The expected outcome of the session is to define: • The role of the Health Cluster in strengthening national capacity building. • How to compliment the role of the MOH. • Tools and/or support needed to strengthen the health cluster in building national capacity. Method: Presentation and group work. Background documents: • Global Health Cluster Partner Statement – World Humanitarian Summit, May 2016 • National and Local Responders (Localisation) Actual commitments agreed by Grand Bargain Sherpas Further reading (available on SharePoint) • Agenda for Humanity: Annex to the Report of the Secretary-General for the World Humanitarian Summit • Grand Bargain May 2016 • ICVA Grand Bargain Explained	
15.30-16.00	Coffee break

Session 2.3	
16.00-17.30	Increasing partner engagement
Focal point: Emma Fitzpatrick, Global Health Cluster Unit The purpose of this session is to explore: - Challenges and opportunities to increase participation in the health cluster from key partners: - MOH - National NGOs - International NGOs, UN Agencies - Donors The expected outcomes of the session are to: - Identify best practices to improve partner engagement at country level - Identify areas where international GHC partners can provide support. Method: Presentation and group work Background documents: - Draft Humanitarian Country Team Terms of Reference - Global Health Cluster Partner Statement – World Humanitarian Summit, May 2016	
17.30-18.00	End of the day 2 wrap-up

DAY 3

Wednesday 5 April 2017

08.30-08.45	Outline and objectives of the meeting
Objective To agree the day's agenda	
Session 3.1	
08.45 -10.30	Strengthening leadership
Focal points: Rick Brennan, Director, Emergency Operations, WHO Health Emergencies Rob Holden, Senior Emergency Adviser, WHO Emergency Operations	
The purpose of this session is to: - Provide an overview of WHE strategic direction and the commitment of WHO as CLA at national regional and global levels. - Introduce the new Incident Management System.	
The expected outcome of the session is to identify: - Understanding of the new WHE structure at country, regional and global levels - Define how HCCs and the health cluster can work strengthen leadership at country level.	
Method: Plenary presentations and Q&A	
Background documents: Incident Management System: revised chapter of the Emergency Response Framework	
10.30-11.00	Coffee break
Session 3.2	
11.00-12.00	Update on Mainstreaming AAP and Protection in Health Coordination: Where are we now? What are the next steps?
Focal point: Patricia Colbert, Senior Adviser, GENCAP	
The purpose of this session is to: Understand the complementarity of gender, protection, Gender Based Violence (GBV) and Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) as they pertain to AAP.	
The expected outcome of the session is: To be able to articulate how all of these cross-cutting issues together make major contributions to improving the quality of assistance provided and the impact it has on the lives of those being assisted.	
Method: Plenary presentation and Q & A	
Background documents: Health Cluster Operational guidance on Accountability to Affected Populations	
12.00-13.00	Lunch

Session 3.3	
13.00-14.00	Information management – update on Public Health Information Standards (PHIS) and rollout
Focal point: Olivier Le Polain, Public Health England, Chair of the GHC/PHIS Task Team The purpose of this session is to discuss: Information about latest development of PHIS work moving forward. The expected outcome of the session is: An understanding of the work plan forward of the GHC PHIS Task Team and feedback and engagement from participants. Method: Plenary presentation and Q & A Further reading (available on SharePoint) Standards for Public Health Information Services in Health Clusters and Other Crisis Sectoral Coordination Mechanisms	
Session 3.4	
14.00-15.30	Advocacy and attacks on health care
Focal points: Erin Kenney, Project Manager, Attacks Project Mary Pack, IMC, GHC/SAG member The purpose of this session is to discuss: - New timeline for the roll-out of the attacks on health care tool - Key results from the 2016 survey on Health Cluster Advocacy needs: are they still valid? The expected outcome of the session is: - Identify areas that the GHC can support country health clusters. Method: Plenary presentation and Q & A Background documents: - WHO's Plan for the collection and verification of data on attacks on health care in 17 priority countries facing emergencies - Attacks dashboard_2016_ANNUAL Further reading (available on SharePoint) - Attacks Project Document Budget March 2017 - Attacks Communications Procedures 21 March 2016 - WHO talking points on attacks against healthcare March 2016	
15.30-16.00	Coffee

16.00-17.00	Meeting summary – next steps
Focal point: Linda Doull, Global Cluster Coordinator The objectives of the session are to: • Agree on commitments by the HCCs/GHC on performance standards. • Define next steps/actions needed and the timeframe Method: Guided discussion	
17.00-17.30	Closing remarks
17.30-18.00	End of the forum evaluation