

Information

Synthesis & analysis

Knowledge Management

TRF has assisted in developing a national knowledge management strategy for MDGs 4 and 5 and is providing support for the establishment of a Knowledge Management Unit in the Department of Health Punjab. The Unit will analyse secondary data from routine information systems, research studies, technical assistance and other documents and develop analytical briefs for evidence based decision making at policy and programme implementation levels.

- The knowledge management strategy is being implemented at national level.

Tracking performance

M&E framework for the MNCH Programme

TRF supported the development of the M&E framework for the MNCH Programme, including reporting and recording formats and developing consensus across the provinces and special areas. MNCH software was developed; staff and provider capacity building to manage the software is underway at provincial and district level.

- Evidence based decision making process strengthened in the MNCH programme through improved planning and management.
- Unified reporting system for CMWs in all provinces and special areas in place
- The web based system is operational in all provinces and special areas
- Approximately 7,000 CMWs, 2,100 LHS and 2,100 LHV have been trained on the standardised CMW reporting and recording tools and instruments.

Annual reviews of MNCH Programme

TRF has led the annual reviews of MNCH Programme since 2010. The reviews have assessed i) progress against the logframe; ii) the process of funds release and financial outcomes; iii) the implications of 18th constitutional amendment and impact on provincial plans.

- The reviews have informed the government and DFID on programme achievements, targets and use of funds.
- The recommendations have informed programme direction and implementation

M&E systems for performance monitoring

In Khyber Pakhtunkhwa TRF is supporting the design, development and implementation of an integrated web-based M&E system for performance evaluation and data validation, using evidence generated through the information system. The web-based system will also be used by DFID for implementing the road map approach in health sector.

In Punjab, TRF provided technical assistance for designing a performance monitoring system involving the staff at DG Health office, EDO (Health), and DHQ and THQ hospitals. On request of the health department, TRF converted the DHIS to an online web based system. TRF is also helping the DoH in developing the M&E framework and a PC-1 for strengthening the M&E system.

- The KP web based dashboard system has been developed to monitor performance of districts and district managers against targets and as well as the performance of outsourced models.
- In Punjab, the system has been approved by the DoH and is being implemented in all districts. The system will also be used by DFID for implementing the roadmap approach in health sector.

Data collection

Health facility assessment/District profiles

TRF supported the assessment of accessibility and quality of health care services in public sector facilities (with special emphasis on MNCH services) and the development of district profiles. The assessment has identified gaps in provision and provided key recommendations to district and provincial health departments for improving the MNCH services. A second round of health facility assessment was conducted in Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa to establish baselines for the implementation of EHSP and Minimum Health Service Delivery Package.

- The findings have been used in the development of Health Sector Strategies and for the outsourcing of health services.
- In Punjab and KP, facility level profiles are used for district planning.

Evaluation

The results TRF-led independent evaluations are helping to shape programme implementation, strategies and plans.

Mid-term evaluation of National MNCH Programme and review of MNH strategy

Recommendations of the evaluation are being used by provinces for improving the MNCH programme, and by donors for designing their future support programmes.

Evaluation of Peoples' Primary Health Care Initiative (PPHI)

The results of this evaluation have been used by provincial DoH, PPHI and donors to strengthen the outsourcing and contracting out models.

Third Party Evaluation of TB Programme

The recommendations assisted in developing the future strategy for provincial TB Programmes and the revision of operational plans.

Evaluation of implementation of MNCH-FP related MSDS in Punjab

Lessons from the evaluation are helping implementation of Essential Health Service Package and Standards.

Assessment of Chief Minister's Health Initiative for Attainment and Realization of MDGs (CHARM)

This ongoing TA will provide key recommendations to the Punjab DoH on scaling up and sustainability of the project, in terms of both management and cost implications.

Third Party Evaluation of the Chief Minister's Initiative for Primary Health Care (CMIPHC)

This ongoing TA compares the performance of PRSP-managed districts with non PRSP districts in order to determine the effectiveness of these two models. It will make recommendations to the Government of Punjab on improvements required by each model, including the nature and content of future contracts, service package to be delivered and targets to be achieved.

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