Regional Workshop on Monitoring and Evaluation of Family Planning & Reproductive Health Programs for Non-M&E Health Professionals
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Workshop Rationale

Policymakers, program managers, service providers and researchers face many questions related to the monitoring and evaluation (M&E) of family planning and reproductive health programs in developing countries. Demand from donors and others for program managers and implementers to produce quality data that informs policy, program, and resource allocation decision making is continually increasing. As such, there is a corresponding need for those implementing family planning and reproductive health programs to understand the fundamentals and emerging issues in monitoring and evaluation (M&E) of their programs.

Though monitoring and evaluation skills are crucial to the successful implementation, design, monitoring, and evaluation of family planning and reproductive health programs; opportunities for such trainings have been quite limited. In order to build the capacity of non-M&E professions working in family planning and reproductive health programs throughout Anglophone Africa. This six-day, non-degree course is prepared to provide training in these essential monitoring and evaluation tools and techniques.

Workshop Objectives

At the end of this 1-week workshop, learners will be able to:
• describe the basic concepts and practical approaches for performance monitoring and evaluation of family planning and reproductive health programs;
• discuss tools and techniques used specifically to monitor and evaluate new and emerging thematic areas in family planning and reproductive health programs; and
• apply knowledge and skills acquired through practical, hands-on, exercises and small group activities.

Workshop Content

This six-day course is designed to introduce monitoring & evaluation concepts (M&E) to individuals working in family planning and reproductive health. Participants will learn how to apply basic M&E concepts (frameworks, indicators, etc.) to family planning programs, summarize some of the main issues in M&E of family planning programs from a historical perspective, understand data use in M&E, and discuss current and emerging issues in the M&E of family planning, including integration and program scale-up. The goal is to provide an introduction and hands-on training in M&E of family planning and reproductive health programs for non-M&E health professionals to build their capacity to monitor and evaluate programs.

Workshop attendees will gain hands-on experience in methods, approaches, and best practices in M&E of family planning and reproductive health programs by doing exercises, and working in small groups throughout the workshop. The participant groups will present the results of their projects during the final day of the workshop.
Eligibility

This course targets mid-level health and program managers, population officers, and other professionals involved with the implementation of family planning and reproductive health programs. This workshop is not tailored for M&E specialists or those for whom M&E is the primary responsibility within their organization. Applicants should be proficient in English, have some analytic skills, and have current responsibilities for developing, implementing, and/or managing family planning or reproductive health programs. Computer literacy and experience with data systems would also be advantageous.

Application Procedures and Deadlines

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Qualified applicants who have secured funding to attend this workshop will be admitted on a first-come, first served basis until all seats in the workshop have been filled but no later than May 30, 2014.

No MEASURE Evaluation fellowships will be offered for this workshop.

Cost and Venue of the Workshop

The total course fee for the workshop is 1,250 USD inclusive of only the workshop tuition, daily refreshments and lunch. Training participants are responsible for their own flights, and accommodation arrangements (ACIPH can help in making reservations in the preferred nearby hotels). The venue of the workshop will be at a conference hall of the Institute.

Workshop information and application forms can be obtained at: http://www.addiscontinental.edu.et

Faculty

The course will be taught by faculty members of the Addis Continental Institute of Public Health; other experts from government and nongovernmental agencies working in M&E, family planning or reproductive health programs in Ethiopia; and experts from MEASURE Evaluation at Tulane University in New Orleans, Louisiana and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA.

Addis Continental Institute of Public Health

Addis Continental Institute of Public Health (ACIPH) is an independent center of excellence for public health research and training. It was established in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia in August 2006 with the intent of boosting the human resource potential and promoting evidence-based programming in public health by providing technical services and training in major health issues in Africa. These activities are believed to assist the attainment of the national and regional health sector development goals.

Today, ACIPH is one of the very few independent centers of excellence for training and research specialized in public health in Africa. Major training activities are conducted in collaboration with public universities in Ethiopia and internationally. These unique collaborative initiatives have great potential in leveraging each other’s strengths for common goals and in building the critically needed human resource capital for the nation’s health sector development. ACIPH has also proven its competence by working with the Ethiopian Ministry of Health, and state health bureaus, UN and USG agencies, and NGOs in addition to renowned higher institutions from the United States and Europe.

MEASURE Evaluation

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