

SUBJECT: EVALUATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORT

Category: For Information

Section A: Introduction

- This report provides the Board with an overview of the activities of the Evaluation Advisory Committee (EAC) since the Board last met in December 2016.
- As a follow-on to the October 2016 EAC meeting, there was an EAC teleconference in February 2017 to review the draft Terms of Reference (ToRs) for the second phase of the Full Country Evaluations project. The EAC approved the ToRs and requested the Secretariat to engage with the current FCE Consortium on the development of a proposal for the second phase of the FCE.
- The EAC met in Geneva on the 15-16 March 2017 where the members:
 - a) were updated on ongoing Gavi evaluation activities including those related to strengthening cross-organisation work (such as evaluation collaborations with the Global Fund);
 - b) were updated by the Gavi Secretariat communications team on how the evaluation work at Gavi is communicated externally to its various stakeholders;
 - c) assessed the technical and financial proposal for the second phase of the FCE and deferred the decision, requesting the Secretariat to follow up with the FCE consortium to request a revised proposal, taking into account comments from the EAC;
 - d) discussed and approved the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the CCEOP evaluation suggesting to include evaluation questions regarding the market shaping component as well as to further explore the country selection process;
 - e) were presented the preliminary insights of the baseline assessment for the Evaluation of Targeted Country Assistance (TCA) provided through the Partners' Engagement Framework (PEF), by the independent service provider (Deloitte);
 - f) discussed and provided guidance on the ToRs for the Peer review of Gavi's evaluation function which aims to inform the review of the Gavi Evaluation Policy; the review of the EAC Charter; and improve the evaluation function within the Gavi Secretariat (and within the broader Alliance); and
 - g) discussed and provided guidance on the criteria for prioritisation of Evaluation Work considering the increasing demand for evaluations and approved the annual evaluation workplan for 2017.

- Following the March meeting, there was an EAC teleconference in May 2017 to discuss the revised proposal for second phase of FCE. The EAC approved the selection of FCE consortium to conduct the second phase of the FCE and requested the Secretariat to put in place the appropriate contractual arrangements taking into account any comments of the EAC.
- The next EAC meeting will take place in Geneva in October 2017, and will include a joint half-day session with the PPC. The meeting will potentially include the presentation of the findings of the peer review of Gavi evaluation function, as well as any other relevant evaluation updates.
- The EAC Chair report is attached in the form of a presentation as Annex A.

Annexes

Annex A: EAC Chair report (PowerPoint)

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BOARD MEETING

Rob Moodie

14-15 June 2017, Geneva, Switzerland



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GAVI'S EVALUATION WORKPLAN FOR 2017

Ongoing

- Targeted Country Assistance (TCA) prospective evaluation
- Retrospective country HSS grants evaluations

Preparation of the contract

- Second Phase of Full Country Evaluations
- Peer review of the Gavi evaluation function

Finalising Request For Proposals (RFP)

- CCEOP prospective evaluation

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Phase 1 (2013-16) – Bangladesh, Mozambique, Uganda and Zambia:

- 2016 Final Reports and briefs available

Phase 2 (2017-19) – Mozambique, Uganda and Zambia:

- EAC approved the FCE consortium proposal
- Defining areas for collaboration with Global Fund Prospective Country Evaluations (PCE)

The image shows two overlapping document covers. The top one is for Mozambique (2013-2016) and the bottom one is for Zambia (2013-2016). Both documents are titled "Overview of Gavi Full Country Evaluations Findings" and contain a "Summary of recommendations" and "Key activities" section. The Zambia document is more detailed, showing a timeline of key activities from 2013 to 2016, including the introduction of the MPTV vaccine demonstration project, the introduction of Rotavirus vaccines, and the submission of grant applications for IPV and H5N1. The recommendations are organized into four main areas: General, Ministry of Health, Expanded Programme on Immunization, and Civil Societies. The General recommendations include: Utilise local evidence to validate vaccine demand forecasting, including population figures, wastage rates, and buffer stocks; Improve skills and capacity in costing and programme management to enhance the sustainability of the immunisation programme and address major programme weaknesses; Greater investment is needed in monitoring and evaluation capacity and in reconciling data discrepancies between Central Statistical Office and household data in population estimates.

This image shows the Zambia 2013-2016 report cover in detail. The title is "Overview of Gavi Full Country Evaluations Findings Zambia 2013-2016". The "Summary of recommendations" section is divided into four categories:

- General:** Utilise local evidence to validate vaccine demand forecasting, including population figures, wastage rates, and buffer stocks; Improve skills and capacity in costing and programme management to enhance the sustainability of the immunisation programme and address major programme weaknesses; Greater investment is needed in monitoring and evaluation capacity and in reconciling data discrepancies between Central Statistical Office and household data in population estimates.
- Ministry of Health:** Conduct or commission a comprehensive costing and expenditure tracking assessment to determine programme costs and assess funding gaps; Ensure functionality of the newly constituted National Immunisation Technical Advisory Group to oversee programme sustainability assessments.
- Expanded Programme on Immunization:** Evaluate, and look to scale, initiatives aimed at improving vaccine management and data quality, such as Logosimo and the BID Initiative.
- Civil Societies:** Ensure that the country is consulted when preparing the Grants Management Requirement and that timelines are agreed upon, in keeping with Programme Capacity Assessment guidelines; With country partners, ensure that technical assistance is available to support sustainability planning in order to avert programmatic disruptions.

The "Key activities" section shows a timeline from 2013 to 2016:

- MAY: MPTV vaccine demonstration project in Luanda province launched
- NOVEMBER: Rotavirus vaccines introduced
- SEPTEMBER: IPV introduction grant application submitted
- JANUARY: H5N1 grant application submitted
- SEPTEMBER: H5N1 grant application resubmitted
- NOVEMBER: IPV launch planned (postponed to 2016)
- JULY-AUGUST: IPV vaccine national introduction proposal developed
- AUGUST: cMPP developed
- SEPTEMBER: MR Campaign
- SEPTEMBER: Second Approval conducted

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Summary of general findings Gavi FCE 2013-2016 (by FCE Consortium)

- Range of new vaccines have been introduced with Gavi support
 - Variable success in introduction and routinization; however, improving over time with evidence of learning
 - Evidence of impact on health outcomes for Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (PCV) and Measles – Rubella (MR)
- HPV demonstration project while providing learning opportunities for delivery have not been optimal for informing national introduction
- HSS has been the most challenging support window with slow progress and delays across the whole grant cycle

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“We applaud Gavi’s efforts, as a “learning organization” over the course of the FCE, to learn from FCE findings and adapt accordingly. We report on many positive developments (for example, the HPV 2.0 policy, HSIS and CEF, and the refinement of PEF over time) related to strategic and operational shifts, and a growing culture of measurement in the Secretariat.”

FCE Consortium

Source: 2016 FCE cross-cutting report

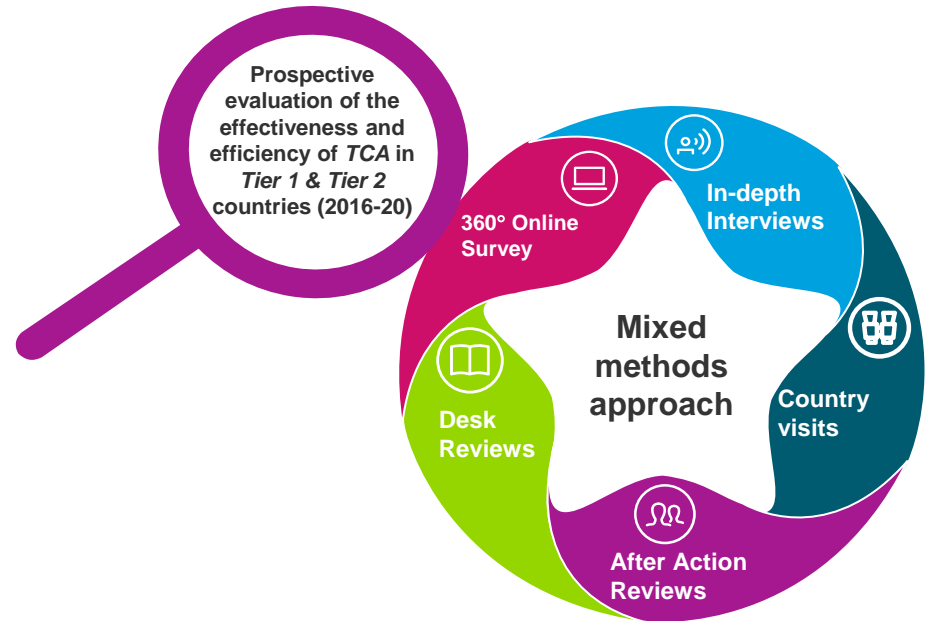
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UPDATE ON TARGETED COUNTRY ASSISTANCE (TCA) EVALUATION ANNEX A

TCA baseline assessment report

- Deloitte finalising a draft baseline assessment report which will be shared with country, regional and global stakeholders



STRENGTHENING EVALUATION CULTURE

Strengthening dissemination and utilisation of evaluation results

- **Global**
- **Regional**
- **Country**

Exploring synergies with other institutions

- **With Global Fund**
 - **With global evaluation community**
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