Expert Workshop on Violence Against Women: Disabling Environment

M&E Indicators to Improve Program Implementation

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Violence Against Women and Girls: Compendium of M&E Indicators

- Need for standardized indicators for programs
- Lack of monitoring indicators to keep programs on target for attaining objectives
- Lack of rigorous evaluations to demonstrate programmatic progress and impact
- Little evidence for recommendations on best practices
- Pressing need to fill these gaps expressed by USAID, PEPFAR, UN, & other donor organizations, as well as individual leaders in the field
Aim of the Compendium:

- Develop a set of agreed-upon, quantitative M&E indicators for program managers, organizations, and policy makers working to address VAW/G

- Describe how to access and use the best data needed to measure these indicators

- Instructions on how to calculate & present indicators

- Include considerations, such as ethical, technical
Collaborative Process: Technical Advisory Group

- TAG comprised of leading experts in VAW/G field representing
  - USG: USAID East Africa & IGWG, CDC, OGAC
  - UN: General Secretariat, UNAIDS, UNFPA, UNHCR, WHO
- Other organizations including PATH, Macro-Int’l (DHS), IRC
- Leading consultants & researchers
Use: Target people working in VAW/G

- Indicators designed for program managers, organizations and policy makers to
  - Measure short and long term progress
  - Evaluate achievement of aims
  - Demonstrate results on outcomes at community, regional or country level
- Individuals providing TA to these individuals or organizations
- May include those not working specifically in VAW/G, but whose overall scope of work includes the area
Areas of VAW/G Covered by the Indicators

- Magnitude & characteristics of different forms of VAW/G
  - Skewed sex ratios
  - Intimate partner violence
  - Violence from someone other than an intimate partner
  - Female genital cutting/mutilation
  - Child marriage
Areas of VAW/G Covered by the Indicators

- Programs addressing VAW/G by sector
  - Health
  - Education
  - Justice & security
  - Social welfare
- Under-documented forms of VAW/G and emerging areas
  - Humanitarian emergencies
  - Trafficking in persons
  - Femicide
Areas of VAW/G Covered by the Indicators

- Prevention of VAW/G
  - Youth
  - Community mobilization & individual behavior change
  - Working with men and boys
Areas not covered

- Those best assessed by qualitative methods
  - Coordination of services by multisectorial networks
- Emergent areas such as stalking, controlling behavior, emotional abuse and sexual harassment
- National level and policy-based indicators
  - Surveillance systems
  - Existence of VAW/G related policies or laws
**Indicator Examples**

- Skewed sex ratios
  - Excess female infant and child mortality (sex ratios up to age 1 and under 5)
- IPV
  - % of women aged 15-49 who experienced physical violence from an intimate partner in the past 12 months
- Violence from someone other than an intimate partner
  - % of women aged 15-49 who experienced sexual violence from someone other than an intimate partner in the past 12 months
- Female genital Cutting/mutilation
  - % of women aged 15-19 who have undergone FGC/M
- Program Sector: Health
  - % of health units that have done a readiness assessment for the delivery of VAW/G services
- Program Sector: Education
  - % of schools that have procedures to take action on reported cases of sexual abuse
Indicator Examples

- Program Sector: Justice and security
  - % of women who know of a local organization that provides legal aid to VAW/G survivors
- Program Sector: Social Welfare
  - # of calls per VAW/G hotline within a specified geographic area
- Under-doc. forms of VAW/G: Emergencies
  - A coordinated rapid situational analysis, which includes a security assessment, has been and documented in the emergency area
  - Under-doc. forms of VAW/G: Trafficking in Persons
  - % of people in origin and destination communities who have been exposed to public awareness messages about TIP
- Under-doc. forms of VAW/G: Femicide
  - Female homicide (# females murdered during a specific time period)
Indicator Examples

- Prevention of VAW/G: Youth
  - % of youth serving organizations that train staff and front line people on issues of sexual and physical VAW/G

- Prevention of VAW/G: Community mobilization & individual behavior change
  - % of people who say that wife beating is an acceptable way to discipline their wives

- Prevention of VAW/G: Working w/Men & Boys
  - % of men and boys who agree that women should have the same rights as men
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