



NEWSLETTER

REGIONALCOORDINATION MECHANISM
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IREM WORKSHOPS

During this period, members of the Board of Directors and Secretariat of RCM, have participated in the meetings organized by the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) in El Salvador and Panama to work on the development indicators manual and the follow-up matrix of the Regional Initiative for the Elimination of Malaria in Mesoamerica and the Dominican Republic (IREM)

In these meetings participated technicians from different attention areas of the Ministries of Health, IREM's partners such as CHAI and PAHO/WHO.

The product of these meetings will be the technical manual to perform the midterm and final evaluation, which will determine the performance level of each country to grant reward funds for the obtained outcomes. Likewise, a follow-up matrix is prepared that will serve to monitor progress and analyze the constraints found in the implementation process.



FIELD VISITS



As part of the processes of induction and follow-up to the RCM operational plans, during this period, field visits were organized in Guatemala and Honduras to socialize with the country teams and titular and alternate members of the RCM the processes carried out in this semester.

In these visits the following activities were carried out:

- Induction to the new members of the government and civil society.
- Socialization of progress in the activities' implementation of malaria and HIV.
- Coordination with strategic partners to manage support in the implementation of strategic HIV and malaria plans.
- Meeting with the malaria technical teams to address the follow-up to activities of the Regional Initiative for the Elimination of Malaria (IREM) and its articulation with the mandates of the Council of Ministers of Health of Central America and the Dominican Republic (COMISCA)

These visits were accompanied by the Country Coordination Mechanism (CCM) Secretariats and Civil Society representatives of the malaria sector.

CAR-LAC MEETING

On October 16 and 17, the Meeting of Focal Points for Strategic Monitoring of Information Systems of the Regional Advisory Committee for Grants from the Global Fund in Latin America and the Caribbean (CAR-LAC) was held in Panama City.

It was attended by representatives of the CCMs, members of the CAR-LAC, Principal Recipients of the REDCA + regional grants, ICW Latina, REDLACTRANS and ORAS-CONHU, representatives of the regional networks and the Executive Secretariat of the CAR-LAC. The RCM Secretariat attended as an observer.

The Objectives of this meeting were:

1. Present the results of the interviews conducted by the focal points in their recent monitoring visits
2. Carry out an analysis of the information presented to be considered by the grants.

The objective of the RCM's Secretariat attendance in this meeting was focused on knowing closer the functioning and management of the DASHBOARD tool and the Online information system for the incorporation and adaptation to the monitoring processes carried out by the RCM, within the framework of the current regional grant of the IREM.



JOINT PRICE NEGOTIATION COMISCA.

With the support of USAID / International Plan under the Sustainability and Human Rights Project for Central America, the consultancy for the Strengthening of the COMISCA Joint Price Negotiation Mechanism and its applicability for HIV in the SICA countries is under development.



It is expected that this consultancy will provide a critical route proposal to close the gaps in the acquisition of medicines and medical devices used in the diagnosis, treatment and care of HIV in response to the limitations found in the countries for the use of this mechanism enabled by COMISCA to improve procurement prices for medicines and health products that contribute to generate savings and favorable reinvestments for the HIV response.

With the support of the heads of HIV programs, the Acquisitions and logistics unit of the Ministries and Secretaries of Health will be developing virtual meetings together with the Executive Secretariat of COMISCA and the consultancies in charge.

PRESENTATION OF THE REPORT "EXPENDITURE MEASUREMENT ON AIDS 2017" - EL SALVADOR



In San Salvador city, the past October 22, the Technical Secretariat of the RCM participated in the presentation of the results of the Expenditure Measurement on AIDS-MEGAS 2017 Report.

During the event, the epidemiological situation and cascade of HIV care was presented, as well as the cost projections to reach the 90 90 90 goals.

El Salvador's current investment in the response to HIV amounts to \$ 57,524,613, where 80% comes from public sources, 14% from international sources and 6% from private sources.

El Salvador experienced a 3% increase in public funds investment compared to the previous MEGAS, however, the decrease in international contribution in 2017 compared to 2016 was 24%.

One of the purposes of the information derived from the MEGAS is to analyze structural bottlenecks and absorption capacity that impede the effective utilization of resources available for the provision of HIV / AIDS services where they are needed.

To improve investment in the response to HIV, El Salvador promotes a joint work with shared earnings, under a common vision with all the actors involved in the response.

VII CENTRAL AMERICAN MEETING OF PEOPLE WITH HIV, PANAMA 2018.



Through the Regional Project "Ensuring, through Political Advocacy Actions, Universal Access to Health and Respect for Human Rights in the Response to HIV in Central America, to Improve the Quality of Life of People with HIV", which executes the REDCA +, in close coordination with the Central American Social Integration Secretariat (SISCA), was held from October 25 to 26 in Panama, the VII Central American Meeting of People with HIV.

The objectives of this important international conclave were aimed at:

- Contribute to the empowerment and leadership of people with HIV, to promote actions of political advocacy, social comptroller and citizen oversight around the promotion, protection, defense, respect and guarantee of their Human Rights.

- Promote the sustainability of the Response to HIV of the Central American region, through the approach of the different defined themes and the strengthening of the organizations of people with HIV.

INTEREST NEWS

World Tuberculosis (TB) Report 2017

The World Health Organization has published the World Tuberculosis Report 2017 (English language). Recall that to achieve the goals set in the End of Tuberculosis Strategy *"It is necessary to provide TB care and prevention services in the more general context of universal health coverage, to take multisectoral measures to face the consequences and the social and economic determinants of the disease, and that by 2015 technological advances will be made that will allow the incidence to decrease at a faster rate than before"* WHO, 2018)

[Read the complete report here](#)

Midterm Review of the Action Plan to the Elimination of Malaria, PAHO/WHO.

It is important to highlight the list of goals with which the Region of the Americas has committed for the 2016-2020 period, which are the following:

- a) an additional reduction of 40% or more in malaria morbidity (based on the official figures of 2015);
- b) an additional reduction of 40% or more in malaria deaths (based on the official figures of 2015);
- c) the implementation of activities for the Elimination of malaria in 18 of the 21;
- d) endemic countries and the achievement of the status of "malaria free" in at least 4 countries;
- e) the adoption of innovative approaches to face the challenges in those countries where the progress has been limited;
- f) the prevention of the re-establishment of malaria in those countries that have been declared free of the disease.

Even though the Region has become very sensitive to the concept, perspectives and importance of the elimination of malaria, operational and technical challenges continually arise that reflect evolving political and administrative problems in the countries where the disease is endemic. Although the countries of the Region have officially declared their commitment to the elimination of malaria, support and local resources are still insufficient in many areas where malaria continues to be widespread.

Read the complete report [here](#)

iLEARN Global Fund Online Courses

The Global Fund offers an on-line orientation program to the Country Coordination Mechanisms, including Members, Technical Secretariat and partners. Similarly offers a course related to financing applications and its implementation.

Access to the link <https://theglobalfund.csod.com/>, register and start the courses.

At the end of each module, a certificate is provided on-line

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