

Guidelines for your first stakeholder workshop

Location:

One of the study districts or regions

Length of workshop:

2 days (approximately)

Objectives:

- 1. Review findings of the situation analysis including problem analysis and problem statements in all three districts
- 2. Initiate comparing the findings across the districts Identify further data requirements for the situation analysis
- 3. Identify potential human resource or health system strategies to address problems identified in the situation analysis
- 4. Stimulate the sharing of experiences, information and lessons learned across districts (if you are working with more than one)

Required inputs:

- 1. Draft district reports
- 2. Presentations based on district reports
- 3. Other workshop presentations and materials (see programme)
- 4. Problem trees and problem statements
- 5. Annual district plans and any long term plans (if available)

Expected outputs:

- 1. Refined district reports
- 2. Refined problem statements for each district
- 3. List of possible human resource or health system strategies linked to problem statements for each district
- 4. Plans for further data collection for each district, including any further data needed for a comparative analysis
- 5. Brief report of workshop

Outline for workshop report:

A brief report of the workshop should be developed by the facilitators circulated to all stakeholders. Notes will need to be taken on the content and process for all sessions. The report should include:

• Workshop objectives

- Workshop programme with brief commentary on the sessions of the workshop
- List of participants (with their designations)
- Outputs of the workshop (see 1-5 above)
- Evaluation results
- Reflections on process of workshop by facilitators, such as the interactions within the District Health Management Teams (DHMTs) and interactions between DHMTs and facilitators¹
- Presentations (for example the PowerPoint slides)
- Tools or worksheets that were used
- Photographs of participants (make sure you get their consent in advance)

¹ This will be an important data source for reviewing the action research process.

Suggested programme:

The Research Teams and partners can decide how to share the workload of the workshop. They are referred to collectively as "facilitators" in the programme. The use of presentations and other tools is **optional** and they can also be **adapted** as necessary.

Day 1	Programme activities	Explanation	Materials
	Welcome/Ice breaker	An ice breaker will help all participants to get to know each	List of ice breakers and energisers
		other.	Blank name tags so people can write
			their names and attach them to their
			clothes.
	Introduction to workshop:	The facilitators can then introduce the purpose of the	Introductory presentation for the
	Purpose of workshop	workshop, where the workshop stands in the whole	stakeholder workshop to be adapted
	Objectives	project/research process, objectives and expected outputs.	for country context.
	Programme		
	 Expected outputs 		
	Presentations of situation analyses	It is important that all districts know what the other districts	Presentations based on district
	including problem trees and	have done in the situation analysis and what problems were	reports
	statements:	identified. The activity presented in the left hand column is	Guidance on how to provide
	 District 1 presentation 	one approach to ensuring this happens. There may be other	feedback can be found in the
	 District 2 leads 	approaches that you could use.	Observation checklist for situation
	feedback using		analysis presentation
	checklist	Use an energiser in between presentations to keep everyone	
	 Other districts and 	awake and motivated.	
	facilitators give		
	feedback	Each DHMT can then present the findings from the situation	
	 District 2 presentation 	analysis including the problem trees and statements to the	
	 District 3 leads 	plenary.	
	feedback using		
	checklist	To encourage participation from all participants, nominate	
	 Other districts and 	one of the other DHMTs to lead the feedback using the	
	facilitators give	observation checklist (each DHMT member completes a	
	feedback	checklist). Following their feedback, then open it up to the	
	District 3 presentation	plenary for further comments.	

 District 1 leads feedback using checklist Other districts and facilitators give feedback 	 The observation checklist includes areas such as: Any surprising /interesting findings Any missing data Further data requirements Any problems in data collection The facilitators should point out missing data needed for any comparative analysis 	
Comparing findings across the three districts: • Presentation by facilitators	 Facilitators compare a few selected indicators analysis across the three districts from the areas of: - Human resources and health systems - DHMT (structure and management processes) - The problems identified (as part of the situation analysis) - The process of doing the situation (including access to data) The DHMTs should then be invited to comment on the comparisons. The main purpose of this activity is to encourage teams to share experiences, information and 	
Agreement on changes to situation analysis district reports • Discuss in plenary	lessons.Notes need to be taken so that this session can feed into the Country Situation Analysis report (for example, the Comparative Analysis section) and the workshop report.Based on the presentations and feedback, the plenary, led by the facilitators, will discuss and make agreements on changes to each situation analysis district report, including any additional data collection needed.	
Finalising district reports Each district with facilitator:	Time is set aside for the facilitators and DHMTs to work together to make the changes to the reports, and develop plans for collecting any missing data (i.e. data, methods,	

	 Refines the situation analysis district report Develops plan for collecting any missing data 	persons responsible, timeline). If this is left until after the workshop, there is a risk that it may not be done, or may be delayed. This will create problems for developing the country report.	
Day 2	Energiser		
	Possible human resources/health	Guidance for this presentation is given in the notes section	Presentation: Health workforce
	systems strategies	of the presentation. Where possible, make the presentation	performance and the use of bundles
	 Brief presentation on human resources/health systems 	interactive by making links to participants' own experience	of human resources/health systems strategies
	strategies		
	Development of preliminary list of	In plenary, the facilitators will take one problem identified in	Worksheet: Worksheet for listing
	strategies for one problem	the district presentations as an example, and work through	and reviewing human
	One example worked through	the process of developing a preliminary list of strategies.	resources/health systems strategies
	in plenary	First brainstorm to develop a list of the possible strategies	
		you could use to address this problem; then filter this list using selection criteria.	
	Development of preliminary list of	Each DHMT (with a facilitator) will firstly review their	Instructions for activity including
	strategies	problem trees and areas covered by the problem	example
	Group work – each district:	statements, and will then brainstorm to develop a list of	example
	Reviews problem trees and	possible human resources and health systems strategies to	
	areas covered by problem	address the problem statement and tree.	
	statements	This list is then reviewed against the selection criteria:	
	 List possible human resources and complementary health 	 Focused on improving health workforce performance in the district 	
	systems strategies	Measurable and observable effect on workforce	
	 List and analyse enablers and 	performance within 12 – 18 months	
	constraints of proposed	Implemented within available resources in the district	
	strategies	Linked to district plan	
	Review possible strategies	Linked to existing policies/strategies	
	against selection criteria and	Based on the evidence accumulated in the situation	
	data in district report	analysis	

 Finalise a preliminary list of strategies Identify further data collection needs 	Brief plenary session: facilitators lead a feedback session. Each DHMT feedbacks on the process of developing the preliminary list of strategies, including comments on the selection criteria.	
Wrap up and next steps	 Review of agreed tasks for DHMTs and facilitators, with timeline Agreement of tentative date for the next stakeholder meeting 	
Workshop evaluation		Evaluation questionnaire