

Georgia Country Coordinating Mechanism

Reporting period: September – November 2016

The report outlines the main activities performed by Georgia CCM in the period covering September – November 2016

Background

Georgia Country Coordinating Mechanism (CCM) is a central mechanism for implementing Global Fund supported TB and HIV programs in Georgia. CCM creates a multi-stakeholder platform for country ownership and participatory decision making on HIV and TB related policy and programmatic issues. Georgia CCM includes representatives from both the public and private sectors, including government organizations, multilateral or bilateral agencies, non-governmental organizations, academic institutions, private businesses and people affected by and living with the diseases. CCM's operations are regulated with the Government resolution #220 as of June 18, 2012 and the CCM Governance Manual effective from June 1st, 2015.

Oversight activities/CCM meetings

CCM Meetings

1 CCM meeting was held during the reporting period (84th CCM meeting, November 11, 2016). The OC activities, dashboards, grant implementation status were presented at the meeting. The meeting was informed by OC conclusions and recommendations on actions needed to improve the grants implementation. One of the focuses of the meeting was introduction of and discussion on the draft transition plan. Besides, the overview of the CCM integration study was presented to the CCM. The issue of receiving further technical assistance around the topic of CCM evolution was agreed. The members were provided by overview of the 47th Union World Conference on Lung Health, EECA Regional Consultation on Expanding Access to Affordable and Quality Assured Antiretroviral and Antituberculosis medicines and TB and current status of TB-REP project.

Meetings of the Oversight Committee/Site visits

1 meeting dedicated to the discussion of the the HIV dashboard for Period 2 and TB dashboard for Period 9 was conducted during the reporting period (September 26, 2016). The two site visits were implemented during the reporting period (LGBT Resource Centre - October, 12, 2016 and the visit to "New Vector" - November 1, 2016. 84th CCM meeting.

The PUDR of HIV grant covering period January – June 2016 was shared with the CCM.

Transitional Planning

Policy and Advocacy Advisory Committee (PAAC)

PAAC meeting N4 to review package of harm reduction activities was conducted on September 7, 2016. PAAC meeting N5 to review transition plan development progress was convened on September 22, 2016. A thematic group meeting on HIV activities with representatives of civil society organizations, GF HIV project, CCM and Curatio International Foundation expert team was conducted on September 27, 2016. PAAC meeting N6 to present draft transition plan was held on November 7, 2016. The draft transition plan was presented to the CCM on November 11, 2016 at the 84th CCM meeting. The draft Transition Plan with the corresponding M&E framework has been distributed for further stakeholder input. Afterwards the draft document was shared with the Global Fund.

TB-REP HSS National Group Mechanism

TB-REP HSS National Group Mechanism was established in September 2016. The key role of the group is focused around the following: Propose recommendations to highest governmental level on strategic directions for improving TB models of care and TB relevant health financing; Advice on practical, country feasible mechanisms for the implementation of TB models at the national, regional and local levels; Provide technical assistance and to develop and subsequently implement country-specific and – adapted HSS/TB Country Roadmaps, and country adapted TB-REP catalyzed innovative and sustainable TB health financing mechanism and patient-centred TB models of care. The first meeting of the group is scheduled in December.

TB Clinical Research Coordination Working Group

The meeting of TB Research Coordination working Group was conducted on November 4, 2016. The current status of on-going and upcoming clinical studies was presented to the audience and discussed. On November 25, 2016 the meeting of STREAM Community Engagement Coordinator with the members of the group and CCM members was held. The objectives of the study and means for strengthening community engagement were discussed during the meeting.

GFATM grants

NFM GEO-T-NCDC was signed on November 2016. The implementation period: January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2019.

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