Georgia CCM

Report of Oversight Committee

Reporting Period: December-February, 2017

Introduction:

The report outlines the activities implemented by the Oversight Committee (OC) of Georgia Country Coordinating Mechanism (CCM) during December -February 2017. This includes the following:

- 85th CCM meeting held during the reporting period on December 29, 2016.
- Two site visits conducted during this reporting period: 1) Gori on January 23, 2017 and 2) Batumi January 31- February 1, 2017). 7 sites were visited in total.

CCM meeting

During the reporting period one CCM meeting was convened (85th CCM meeting, December 29, 2016).

Main focus of the meeting was introduction of TSP. As per decision of the meeting the consultations with PAAC and other relevant stakeholders was continued and the plan was unanimously approved by the CCM through e-voting on February 6, 2017. The Global Fund Allocation letter was discussed in details. Summary review of the CCM activities, the current status of GFATM grants implementation was presented to the audience.

TB and HIV Dashboards for P1 (July 1 – September 30, 2016) were shared with the CCM on December 15, 2016. The next OC meeting has been planned for March, 2017.

Site Visits

Two field visits were conducted during the reporting period:

The purposes of both visits were the following: to discuss the current status of the implementation of GFATM-funded GEO-H-NCDC programmes and to identify challenges that impede their operations. An additional goal was to meet the beneficiaries of those programmes to gain first-hand information about their satisfaction and needs in terms of service provision.

Objective of the visits:

- 1. Collect information from sub and sub-sub grantees about the implantation of GFATM-funded programmes, their performance and operations;
- 2. Review the challenges in the process of grant implementation;
- 3. Discuss ways of improving the operation of programmes.

• Field visit to Gori. January 23, 2017. The sites visited:

1) Centre for Mental Health and Prevention of Addiction - Gori Branch

The discussions were mainly structured among the following: the general management of the programme, the provision of financial resources; the availability of the stock of medicines, challenges faced during the implementation process.

2) TB Centre in Gori (Gorimed)

The meeting was dedicated to the discussion of the epidemiological situation of TB in the region, the current or potential challenges for the centre in ensuring quality service provision, and ways to address them. The special considerations were given to the following topics: Supply of anti-TB drugs and their transfer from one site to another; Side-effect management; Increasing adherence support; The involuntary isolation and detection of M/XDR-TB patients; data collection;

3) Step to the Future (Harm Reduction Center)

The following issues were highlighted and discussed: Changes is registration of the beneficiaries; Expanding outreach activities; more comprehensive approach towards the prevention of HIV through addressing the needs of both PWIDs and their sexual partners; transition planning

Filed visit to Batumi. January 31 – February 1, 2017. The sites visited:

1. Infectious Diseases, AIDS and TB Regional Centre in Batumi

HIV/AIDS

The discussions mainly touched upon the following issues: the epidemiological situation in the region and current trends, the delivery of HIV medicines and sufficiency of stock.

TB

The epidemiological situation; OST and TB treatment; infrastructural environment; some managerial issues were discussed during the meeting

2. GHRN/Imedi

The needs of the organization (technical equipment, accounting program etc); new registration system; response to STI were discussed in details during the meeting

3. Tanadgoma

The following issues were raised during the meeting: challenges in reaching targets set; new registration system; beneficiaries' needs, need for specialized interventions.

4. HIV/AIDS Patients Support Foundation, Batumi branch

The staff has focused on the following issues: stock of condoms; lack f technical equipment; willingness to have Engish language courses for the beneficiaries.

More detailed information on the site visits are given in the visits reports.

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