SARN MISSION REPORT OF THE E8 STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK DEVELOPMENT MEETING

DISCOVERY HEALTH FORUM

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA

9th to 10th OCTOBER, 2014

SARN Secretariat
Gaborone, Botswana
1.0 Background

The E8 Concept Note (CN) development planning meeting was held in Windhoek Namibia from 09 – 11 September 2014. The main outcome of the meeting was consensus on the Roadmap, the various components of the E8 Strategic Framework and a drafting committee that would present the draft strategy and also that would write the E8 CN. It was further agreed that after the October review meeting in Johannesburg, the document would be presented to the E8 Health Ministers for endorsement. The Strategy review meeting reviewed progress in implementation of the CN development Roadmap and development of the CN. The E8 strategy is important for the development of the E8 Concept Note to be submitted to the Global Fund on 15 February 2015.

The main objective of the Johannesburg meeting was to review the E8 strategy document after which it would be presented to the E8 Ministers for approval during the November 2014 meeting.

A side meeting for M/E officers was arranged back to back at the same venue during which they updated and uploaded their 2014 country roadmaps. The M/E officers also provided data for the development of the E8 CN. This meeting was organized following failure by some countries to update and upload the 2014 roadmaps.

2.0 Objectives

The specific objectives of the meeting were to:

1. Review the E8 Strategy document and package it for endorsement by E8 Ministers.
2. Review progress made in the implementation of the E8 CN development Roadmap.
3. Review and provide data/information required for the development of the E8 concept note.
4. Utilize the data to start writing the CN in preparation of the November 16 TRP in Uganda.
5. Review, update and upload the 2014 country roadmaps.

3.0 Main outcomes

- Progress on CN development – draft team on schedule to submit on 15 January 2015.
- E8 final draft Strategic Plan.
- Consensus on E8 draft Strategic Plan presentation to SADC Health Ministers.
- Consensus on Priority activities and E8 districts.
- Confirmation of pledged Technical support by GHG, CHAI, WHO-IST, IOM for experts to develop the E8 CN.
- Pledge by Discovery Health to provide free venue and meals for meetings held in Johannesburg, South Africa.
- E8 Coordinator to officially start working on 1st December 2015 on a contract signed with GHG who are also providing the 18 months funding for the E8 Secretariat.
- Consensus on SARN to continue coordinating the E8 in the absence of the E8 Coordinator and continued facilitation and coordination in collaboration with the E8 Coordinator once in office.
- Consensus on SARN continuation as the lead respondent and coordinator of the E8 CN development process.
- Consensus on SARN and E8 Secretariat as co-PRs for the E8 Coordination while all the E8 countries will be PRs for activity implementation.
- E8 Strategic Plan and CN to be part of the ANNOTATED Agenda for the SADC Health Ministers’ consideration in November 2014.
- SARN requested to fund translation of the E8 Strategic Plan into French and Portuguese in preparation for the Minister’s consideration.
- Discovery Health provided free venue and meals for the meeting.
- Facilitate the E8 CN Draft team to produce a draft for presentation to the TRP (17 – 18 November 2014 in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe).

4.0 Next Steps

SARN-Support Going Forward

- Continue to facilitate/coordinate/convene the E8 and E8 CN development process and ensure submission of the CN to GF on 15 January 2014.
- Facilitate the E8 coordinator to settle in once she takes office on 1st December 2015.
- Facilitate translation of the E8 Strategic Plan into French and Portuguese.
- Support SADC to develop Malaria Annotated agenda items for the Minister’s consideration.

3.0 Meeting Participants

1. Dr. Petrina Uusiku - Namibia
2. Ms. Natasha Morris – South Africa
3. Mr. Simon Kunene - Swaziland
4. Dr. Joseph Mberikunashe – Zimbabwe
5. Ms. Lebogang Lebese – SADC Secretariat
6. Dr. Luciano Tuseau – WHO-IST
7. Mr. Samson Katikiti – African Leaders Malaria Alliance (ALMA)
9. Dr. Kaka Mudambo – SARN (RBM)
10. Ms. Boitumelo Lesaso - SARN (RBM)
11. Ms. Kudzai Makomva – Clinton Health Access Initiative (CHAI)
12. Ms. Nyasatu Ntshalintshali – Clinton Health Access Initiative (CHAI)
13. Mr. Perry Mwangala – Global Fund
14. Ms. Tjipo Mothobi – Co-chair: SARN (RBM)
15. SADC Private Sector Constituency (SADC PSC) represented by 6 companies