11th Annual RBM VCWG Meeting
3rd – 5th February 2016

- Announcement of the new work streams
- Way forward
- Realignment and priorities
VCWG – external challenges on our work

RBM website: parts of our Job description

- …work as an advocate and as a facilitator of communication and information both from the policy level to the field and vice versa (communicate)
- Align partners on best practices
- Dissemination of WHO’s normative and policy-setting guidelines (translate for countries)
- Provide platform for all involved constituencies (convene and coordinate)

Former RBM ED:
the VCWG should define one important task for which the WG is accountable for

RBM Task Force: the WG should provide evidence of technical assistance
VCWG – internal challenges on our work

In the 10th Annual Meeting Jan 2015 following comments were made:

- support more effectively countries (example GPIRM implementation)
  - VCWG remains largely upstream, rather than focused on supporting implementation……..
  - value of the VCWG is challenged by evidence here and type of Assistance
  - align with HWG for TA

- facilitate global policy development thru interaction with VCTEG, VCAG, donors, BMGF

- There are remaining gaps in normative guidance on vector control and the translation of this guidance to the field

- translate policy and research to practice (AIM, GTS)

- too much academically minded
VCWG – internal challenges on our work

In the 10th Annual Meeting Jan 2015 following comments were made:

- show importance of VCWG
  - justify its existence (no more relevant as we fund ourselves)
  - Promotion of outputs and benefits
  - define the place and positioning with WHO, WHOPES, VCAG, VCTEG, MPAC, academia and find alignment with the mentioned
  - Routine consultation of VCWG in compilation of important documents (AIM, GTS et al)
  - Where there is no VC specialist, here we are
  - attract funding
  - quick dissemination of findings in an increasingly globalized world
  - addressing gaps in R&D, implementation, guidelines (support to WHO)
  - publish Newsletter on regular base

some comments for consideration:
- too research driven
- far away from effective TA to countries / programs
Reduction of work streams

• 1st discussion on 10th RBM VCWG
• Make them better manageable
• Align related WS
• Allow broader participation by reduced content
• A small working team proposed reduction from 9 – 5 WS
  1. Intervention delivery, integration and capacity strengthening
  2. IRS / IRM priorities
  3. Housing and Malaria
  4. New challenges, new tools in vector control
  5. LLIN priorities
• Working titles which might change on proposition of the WS
• The 5 WS host the former ones having dealt with related issues
• We kept the system of two co-chairs to facilitate the WS
• We have a good mix of new and “old” co-chairs
Work Streams and co-chairs

1. Intervention delivery, integration and capacity strengthening
   – Michael MacDonald
   – Christian Lengeler
2. IRS / IRM priorities
   – Dereje Dengela
   – Mark Hoppe
3. Housing and Malaria
   – Mariana Stephens
   – Steve Lindsay
4. New challenges, new tools in vector control
   – Mike Reddy
   – Fredros Okumu
5. LLIN priorities
   – Hannah Koenker
   – Lena Lorenz
Way forward with the new Work Streams (WS)

This 11th Annual Meeting is slightly different

• extended kick-off meetings for the WS (versus extended neutral plenary sessions)
• There is ample time for that discussion - 3 h per kick-off, 1 h resume
• Only 2 overlapping kick-offs
• Rest is arranged in a way that the max participation is guaranteed
  ❑ Incl. former WS attendees
  ❑ Incl. contributors to the ideation process
  ❑ e.g. IRS / IRM and LLIN not overlapping
  ❑ e.g. Intervention delivery, integration etc as stand alone
  ❑ allowing also networking between the WS
• Outcomes and proposals of the kick-off’s will be presented and discussed with the whole RBM VCWG auditorium
What should be developed during the kick-offs?

- These kick-off’s should prepare
  - the priorities,
  - the action list for the activities of the next 3-5 years
  - the work plan,
  - to be SMART (specific, measurable, achievable, realistic, time scaled)
  - list of potential deliveries
  - who in the network can do what?
  - in case needed budget (and source)

- Not top-down, but bottom-up by the WS participants and contributors

- Be ready to present and discuss with the VCWG auditorium