

RBM PSMWG Workshop
Global Fund Round 7 Grant Signing
8-10 April, 2008
Kampala, Uganda

The Roll Back Malaria Procurement and Supply Management Working Group held a workshop in Kampala, Uganda on April 8-10, 2008 to review Procurement and Supply Management Plans for Global Fund Round 7 malaria grants developed by Principal Recipients and implementing partners in the countries. 74 participants, including delegations from 14 countries, attended this workshop; Angola, Bénin, Burundi, Iran, Niger, Rwanda, Sénégal, Sudan (North), Sudan (South), Tanzania, Tchad, Uganda and Yemen, Zambia. Draft plans were obtained from an additional 2 countries for expert review; Burkina Faso and Sao Tomé.

The objectives of this workshop were as follows;

- To allow for discussions on the key components of PSM plans and workplans
- To provide expert review of draft PSM plans and workplans
- To validate PSM plans for Round 7 grants
- To develop and validate workplans and budgets for the first year of Round 7 grants

In addition, an evening clinic was held to assist countries in the process of forecasting for malaria commodities.

The outputs of the workshop were to obtain near final PSM plans, workplans and budgets for the first year of implementation of the grant for finalization and validation by key stakeholders and partners in-country.

As part of the package of support provided to the PR's, local and international consultants were fielded to various countries to support the process for development of the PSM Plans prior to the workshop. 7 countries received support from a consultant for assistance with development of their PSM plan prior to the workshop. Additional consultants were mobilized for 3 countries after the workshop and support was provided through PSMWG partners to an additional 2 countries.

At the end of the workshop, all except the three countries that had not received previous support for development of their PSM plans, had near final drafts of the plans (to validated by in-country partners only).