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SARN MISSION REPORT TO ZIMBABWE

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**SARN
Gaborone, Botswana**

1.0 BACKGROUND

In line with implementation of the SARN Partnership Work Plan, SARN Secretariat carried out a Tele-conference (TC) with the Zimbabwe National Malaria Control Program (NMCP) Manager in January 2013. During the TC, it was agreed that SARN would carry out a mission to Zimbabwe from 11 – 22 February 2013. The main objective of the mission was to coordinate and facilitate the review and extension of the Zimbabwe Malaria Strategic Plan (MSP) from 2013 to 2015 and develop the Zimbabwe Malaria Business Plan. A pilot exercise would be carried out to cost the two documents using the “One Health Costing Tool”. Since SARN was embarking on the process of developing Malaria Business Plans for all the SARN 10 countries, the process of developing the Zimbabwe Malaria Business Plan would be used as a learning point for all the other countries. It was also agreed that the mission would brief the Permanent Secretary (PS) on the importance of organizing a meeting (PPP) with the CEOs of the private sector, corporate world, heads of NGOs/Foundations/UN Agents to mobilize resources using the Business Plan. Since RBM Secretariat is planning a Ministerial Session in May in Geneva, the mission would also discuss with the Minister of Health on Priorities for the Ministers discussion. Other programmatic thematic areas to be followed up during the mission included the Gap analysis and development/upload of the 2013 Road Map.

The SARN mission team was made up of the SARN Col (Dr) Kaka Mudambo (SARN Coordinator/mission team leader), DR James Banda (RBM Secretariat), Dr Fred Masaninga (WCO – Zambia), Mr. John Chipwanya (Malawi NMCP). The team was later joined by Dr Marc a consultant provided by RBM Secretariat to document the operationalization of the One Health costing Tool. The in-country team was made up of the entire NMCP team, SARN Steering Committee Members (WHO-IST-ESA, CHAI, Reagent Laboratories), several private sector representatives, Military Health Services, National Institute of Health Research (NIHR) – see Table 1. below).

2.0 OVERALL OBJECTIVE

The overall objective of the mission was to provide organize and facilitate the review and extension of the Zimbabwe Malaria strategic Plan from 2013 to 2015 and develop the Zimbabwe Malaria Business Plan.

2.1 Specific Objectives

The specific objectives of the meeting were to:

1. Review and extend the MSP from 2013 to 2015.
2. Develop the Malaria Business Plan Template.
3. Develop the Malaria Business Plan using the developed template.
4. Operationalize/Plot the One Health Costing Tool (using it to cost the two documents).
5. Review the draft 2013 Road Map and share experiences on use of the 2013 Road Map from 2013 to 2015 and template.
6. Organize the Permanent Secretary’s meeting with the CEOs.

7. Discuss priorities for the Ministerial session.
8. Discuss the next steps for operationalization of the Business Plan/resource mobilization.



Mission Group Photo taken at the Kadoma Hotel Conference Centre, Zimbabwe

4.0 SARN EXPANDED STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING



**Plenary
Presentation of the Draft Business Plan**

3.0 MAIN OUTCOMES

The main outcomes of the meeting were:

- Draft extended Malaria Strategic Plan (2013 – 2015).
- Business Plan Template.
- Draft Malaria Business Plan.
- One Health Costing Tool operationalized/Piloted.
- One health Costing Tool in MoH, WHO and other organizations identified.
- NMCP Manager, M/E focal point, data manager, PSI malaria focal point and CHAI program analyst trained on use of the One Health Costing Tool – there now exists a pool of experts who can support other countries and regions on use of the tool.
- All Participants Trained on the development of the Malaria Business Plan – there now exists a pool of experts who can support other countries and regions.
- Report of the process of use and operationalization of the One Health Costing Tool documented.
- Acting Permanent Secretary of Health.
- WR (WHO) briefed and promised to support the Business Plan/MSP finalization process, marketing of the documents once approved by the Ministry of Health and that he would attend the PS meeting with CEOs of the private sector/corporate world/heads of NGOs and UN Agents.
- Minister of Health briefed and he gave one Priority for discussion during the Ministerial session and confirmed that he will attend the Ministerial Session. The Minister re-affirmed the MoHCW ownership and oversight of the process.
- Malawi and Zambia trained on the Business Plan development process and agreed to spearhead development of same in their respective countries.
- Draft MSP and Business Plan to be disseminated to the PS and CEOs after which the PS will call for the CEOs meeting for resource mobilization.

4.0 THE NEXT STEPS

1. Business Plan and MSP to be disseminated to PS and senior health officials for review and endorsement.
2. After PS's approval, the Business Plan will be disseminated to CEOs to review after which the PS will call an all stakeholders PPP meeting for resource mobilization.
3. The teams trained in the development process and use of One Health Costing Toll will be resource persons to support other SARN countries to do same.
4. Zimbabwe will share their experience of the development and costing process with the other NMCP managers during the Managers meeting (4 – 5 March 2012), in Gaborone, Botswana.
5. Malawi (Mr. Chipwanya) and Zambia (Dr Masaninga) will spearhead development of Business Plans in their countries. In country NMCP and partners consultative processes and Draft Business Plans are expected to be ready by the time the SARN missions are carried out in the two countries.
6. SARN will share the Business Plan Template with all the countries in preparation of the SARN missions.

7. SARN will develop a data base of all those trained in the Business Plan development process and use of One Health Costing Tool.

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