RBM Partnership
Case Management Working Group

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Purpose, Rationale and Functions
Purpose

• Case Management Working Group (CMWG) is a mechanism at global level that aims to minimize wasteful duplication, maximize synergies, and encourage harmonisation and pooling of efforts for faster uptake and scale up of malaria case management strategies and interventions.

• The Working Group aims to: achieve consensus on complex strategic issues concerning:
  • Scaling up implementation of policies for malaria case management
  • Synthesizing and disseminating evidence-based best practice
Purpose

• The CMWG:
  • Does not duplicate the essential responsibility of WHO expert committees and consultations, which is to advise on norms and standards for products and services and their appropriate use.
  • Will ensure that its work is aligned with, and complements, that of WHO
  • Remains accountable to the RBM Partnership Board through the RBM CEO
Rationale and Scope

• Prompt access to effective case management is a critical element for the achievement of the vision of malaria elimination
• Case management encompasses the three pillars of diagnosis, treatment, and monitoring (Test: Treat: Track)
• Includes use of chemotherapeutic agents for parasite control
• Scaling up access to effective case management of malaria is contingent on well-coordinated, multi-disciplinary action towards defined objectives, systems, services and products
Functions

Functions of the Working Group mirror those of the RBM Partnership.

1. Convene
   • The CMWG convenes members with a shared interest in the delivery of quality case management for malaria.

2. Co-ordinate
   • The CMWG co-ordinates the work of the individual members to ensure that each member’s efforts are aligned with those of the others, duplication and inefficiencies are avoided, collaboration between members is facilitated, and common challenges are addressed co-operatively.
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3. Mobilise resources
   • The CMWG will identify resources needed to achieve its objectives

4. Facilitate communication
   • By bringing together members, the CMWG can ensure that members are communicating with one another, sharing experience and best practice, and ensuring that challenges or bottlenecks identified are brought to the attention of other members or the entire Working Group as appropriate.
Meeting Objective

To revitalize the CMWG as a forum for all partners in malaria control and elimination to meet, share experiences and ideas that will enhance the implementation of recommended interventions as well as innovations.
Specific Objectives

• To convene the global malaria partners to share experience and evidence on best practices for improving malaria case management
• To identify priority areas of work and deliverables for the coming year
• To determine appropriate methods of work and focal points for identified priorities and timelines for deliverables.
Method of Work and expected outcomes

Method of work
• Plenary presentations and discussions
• Group work

Expected outcomes
• Members discuss key issues affecting implementation /operationalization of intervention and set priorities for the CMWG
• Experiences and best practices are shared for dissemination
• Challenges and proposed solutions are presented
Agenda

• Two and a half day meeting

• Day 1 – Introductions, updates and discussions – WHO and RBM. Panel discussion by NMCPs on their priorities for case management to enable attainment of their goals.

• Day 2 – Presentations on operational issues and new drug developments. In the afternoon we will have discussions on grouping of priorities to be addressed.

• Day 3 – Feed back from group work and determination of next steps
Thank you