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SMERG MEETING UPDATE

SMERG Secretariat

SP&DQ Committee

RBM SMERG established the SP&DQ Committee in May 2021:

To improve the visibility of surveillance and data quality improvement initiatives and,

To streamline global coordination of surveillance-related efforts.

The SMERG Surveillance Practice and Data Quality (SP&DQ) Committee released the first issue of a series of quarterly Newsletters in September 2021

This newsletter will provide an opportunity for countries, partners and other stakeholders to share their perspective on key surveillance and data quality topics.

This is the first in series of many episodes

Content of the First Edition of the Newsletter

- **Opinion Corner**
- **Country Corner**
- **Partners Corner**
- **Next release will be in November 2021**
- **To contribute, please do let us know by emailing to the SMERG secretariat at Debra.Prosnitz@icf.com and/or Patricia.Nchamukong@icf.com**
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Creation of Community Health Taskforce(CHTF)

As recommended during the 32nd SMERG meeting, a CHTF was created

Early September 2021

The aim of the CHTF

- 1) how the performance and impact of community health workers (CHWs) working on malaria, and integrated programs that include malaria, can be measured and
- 2) how malaria programs can engage CHWs in SME. To develop this guidance, the task force will engage with other groups working on SME with CHWs and groups working specifically on malaria to infuse a malaria perspective and promote sustainability of CHWs, respectively.

The Co-leads of the CHTF are Debra Prosnitz of Malaria Consortium and Richard Maude of APMEN

The next CHTF monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 5th at 8am EST/3pm Kenya/7pm Thailand.

If you are interested in joining SMERG's CHTF please email the co-leads Richard Maude Richard@tropmedres.ac and Debra Prosnitz debra.prosnitz@icf.com.



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