

Vector Control in Humanitarian Emergencies
Informal side-meeting
Wednesday 7 February 2018
Room St Exupéry/Garros
17:00 – 18:00

Background:

A meeting among agencies implementing emergency relief operations was convened in September 2017 through the RBM VCWG. Case study contexts, challenges and potential resolutions were reviewed, key activities and a mission statement developed: To reduce human suffering and death from vector-borne diseases in complex operating environments by:

- a) *improving delivery, uptake, integration and evaluation of existing vector surveillance and control tools;*
- b) *facilitating the development of an evidence-base and uptake of supplementary and emerging tools.*

VCWG-13 is the first opportunity to discuss the initiative with a wider group of interested parties, including those involved with vector surveillance and control product development.

Purpose:

The purpose of this informal one-hour side meeting is to update interested VCWG-13 participants, to facilitate introductions and stimulate discussions on efforts in 2018 to improve service delivery with existing tools; and developing the evidence-based for supplementary and emerging tools. Note Thursday afternoon there will be a short plenary presentation and discussion of the draft 2018 workplan; this hour will be an opportunity to provide a framework and introduce interested parties to each other for further individual discussions and input to that workplan.

Agenda		
Time	Title	Facilitator
17:00	Introduction; review outcomes of Basel Meeting; integration of services	Valentina Buj
17:15	Improved service delivery with existing tools	Richard Allan
17:40	Opportunities for new product development	Peter Maes Martin De Smet
18:00	End of meeting	