

Global Health Cluster

Working Group on Country Support

Terms of Reference

Objective

The objective of the IASC Global Health Cluster Working Group on Country Support is to ensure that humanitarian health personnel are prepared and trained effectively in the cluster approach, in the roles of responsibilities of health actors within the cluster approach, and in the common products and services of the Global Health Cluster.

Composition

The IASC Global Health Cluster Working Group on Country Support will be comprised of representatives of the Global Health Cluster, preferably experts in training and adult education with proven experience in health emergency-related trainings and with field experience in emergency management.

The Working Group on Country Support will ensure that the following activities are completed:

- Develop an overall training and capacity building framework The framework should include the approach and priority areas of learning
- Develop training/learning curriculum and materials as required; consider relevant lessons learned, evaluations and other relevant practical experience that may be useful for designing training courses or for simulation exercises.
- Execute trainings, workshops and learning programs as required for current and potential HCC, for WHO and international and national partner staff at all levels; ensure an appropriate focus on building national capacities
- Explore and develop opportunities for distance and on-line learning.
- Recommend identified candidates for a roster of short term HCC for acute emergencies and for longer term chronic emergency HCC positions.
- Create systems for constant feedback and improvements in training curriculum and materials.
- Ensure that evaluations of Health Cluster trainings are conducted and that systems are put in place to evaluate applications of learning.
- Document lessons learned from training activities.
- Develop quality assurance mechanisms for training
- Facilitate at least 6 Joint Country Missions
- Ensure the familiarization and integration of products and tools into all Health Cluster training and capacity building activities.

The Working Group will use the following work methods:

- Conduct regular email, telephone or face-to-face communications as needed to achieve objectives
- Develop an execute a detailed work plan and time line to monitor progress