Minutes of Meeting Brief Meeting with Regional Steering Committee (RSC)

Date: 8th April, 2015

Place: Ministry of Health, 1st floor CCM Secretariat Meeting Room.

Chair: Dr. Soulany Chansy, Deputy Director Community Health, Lao Red Cross

Participants:

- 1. Dr. Soulany Chansy, Director, Community Health, LRC.
- 2. Dr. Juliet Fleischl, WHO Representative
- 3. Dr. Philaysak Naphayvong, OC Chair & Deputy Director, IFMT.
- 4. Dr. Chanmy Sramany, Manager of PR Office.
- 5. Prof. Arjen Dondorp, Chair of RAI-RSC
- 6. Ms. Amelie Joubert, Secretariat of RAI-RSC
- 7. Dr. Nouannipha, Manager of PSR
- 8. Ms. Sony Sisomvang, Coordinator CCM Sec.
- 9. Mr. Budhsalee Rattana, Coordinator Assistant CCM Sec.

Agenda of the Meeting:

- Briefing on agenda of the Chair of RAI-RSC and Secretariat of RAI-RSC visit Lao PDR on 8th April 2015.
- 2. AOB.

Summary of key points:

Briefing on agenda of the Chair of RAI-RSC and Secretariat of RAI-RSC visit Lao PDR on 8th April 2015.

- Introduction of all participants including CCM Secretariat, Ex-Com Members and RAI-RSC Secretariat.
- The Regional Steering Committee was established in 2013 to oversee the creation and implementation of the Global Fund Regional Artemisinin Resistance Initiative.(RAI), a regional grant covering five countries of the Greater Mekong Sub-region (Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Thailand and Vietnam), funded from 2014 to 2016. Based on the terms of reference, the five government members of the Regional Steering Committee play a key pivotal role to ensure coordination between the RSC and respective national CCMs, especially for the RAI Country Components.
- Linkages between the RSC and the Country Coordinating Mechanisms are also essential due to their common mandate in overseeing the use of Global Fund financing for the respective national malaria programs. The RSC and Lao CCM thus have a shared interest in ensuring that Global Fund financing for the national malaria program is well coordinated and activities funded through these respective channels (i.e. RAI and other Global Fund grants for malaria in Lao PDR) are harmonized. Therefore, the Chair and Secretariat of RAI-RSC wished to hold the brief meeting with CCM Secretariat as well as Ex-com members are invited to participate in the meeting, to engage with the recently established RSC Secretariat, to develop collaborative working relationships in supporting of guidance and information as needed.

- The meeting proposed that Regional Artemisinin Resistance Initiative.(RAI) and Regional Steering Committee (RAI-RSC) to provide the specific documents which stated the target of collaborative relationships between RSC and CCM, this documents will be circulated by UNOPS.
- The RAI-RSC Secretariat (represented by Ms. Amélie Joubert and hosted at WHO Cambodia) had presented the presentation of "RAI Regional Steering Committee"

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- The RAI-RSC Secretariat has shared information on oversight field visit with Lao CCM.
- The meeting agreed that the RAI-RSC Secretariat will be invited to participate in the next CCM Meeting on 6th May 2015 at WHO Office.

Approved by Chair

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