

Decentralized evaluation for evidence-based decision making

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Management Response from WFP Burundi Country Office to the recommendations of the decentralized evaluation of Moderate Acute Malnutrition Treatment Programme in Burundi

from June 12th, 2019 to June 2nd 2020

This template provides a suggested structure and guidance on content for the management response to decentralized evaluation recommendations

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1	Capacity strengthening of governmental authorities on planning, implementation and coordination of Nutrition Programmes	Accepted	a. Planning ✓ Actively involve PRONIANUT and Health Districts in project design (including the estimation of nutritional supplement needs)	WFP CO nutrition team	June 2021	In progress

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	(Ministry of Health and other key Ministries)		✓ Engage with UNICEF and PRONIANUT to harmonize the criteria for selecting intervention districts, while taking into account that WFP will need to prioritize districts on account of funding constraints while UNICEF intervenes in all districts. The collaboration will particularly be ensured at three key moments: during the preparation of the MOU, in the end of year review, and also for MAM data analysis	WFP CO Head of programme and nutrition team	December 2021	In progress

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			<p>exercise. The harmonization of nutritional supplement procurement will be rather difficult to achieve but efforts will be made to ensure a good continuum of care and to compensate for stock shortages.</p> <p>✓ Explore the possibilities of purchasing food supplements produced in neighboring countries to reduce delivery delays, reduce pipeline breaks and logistics costs. WFP</p>	WFP CO supply chain team	June 2021	Not started

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			<p>will explore possibilities to procure regionally produced food supplements. Preliminary market research, cost benefit analysis and quality study to be concluded in this time frame</p> <p>b. Implementation</p> <p>✓ Develop a plan to gradually build CAMEBU's capacity in managing food supplement stocks. Training is underway on the management of their warehouse for all various types of items</p>	WFP CO supply chain team	<p>September 2021</p> <p>December 2020</p>	<p>In progress</p> <p>In progress</p>

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			<p>stored in CAMEBU (mainly medical supplies and non-food items). WFP CO supply chain unit will support CAMEBU in food supplement management.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Analyze the storage capacities of health centers in the intervention districts and provide recommendations for improvement ✓ Advocate for the nutrition sector to support the continuum of care and supply 	<p>WFP CO and Sub-Office programme and SC teams</p> <p>WFP CO management and nutrition team</p>	<p>December 2020</p> <p>June 2021</p>	<p>In progress</p>

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			<p>chain through the ministry of health and PRONIANUT</p> <p>c. Coordination</p> <p>✓ Strengthen the capacities of PRONIANUT to coordinate the MAM treatment program and other specific and nutrition-sensitive interventions, from the planning, resource mobilization and implementation phase, at the national,</p>	<p>WFP CO and Sub-Office nutrition/ programme teams</p> <p>WFP CO and Sub-Office nutrition/ programme teams</p>	<p>June 2021</p>	<p>In progress</p> <p>In progress</p>

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			provincial and districts levels.			
2	Conduct regularly joint supervision	Accepted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Extend the scope of activities during routine monitoring and supervision missions (by including relevance, effectiveness and efficiency of the MAM treatment program). ✓ Improve the existing monitoring tools by integrating the 	<p>WFP Country Office and Sub-Office nutrition and programme teams</p> <p>WFP CO M&E and nutrition teams</p>	<p>December 2020</p> <p>December 2020</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>In progress</p>

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			appropriate indicators, and by disaggregating the data by type and age of beneficiary (children, pregnant women, and lactating women) and socio-economic categories.			

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3	Systematically integrate gender and women's empowerment aspects into program monitoring activities and tools	Accepted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Systematically take into considerations of gender, equity and empowerment of women during the planning and implementation of the next cycles of the program. The CO will explore the possibility of conducting PDM along with process monitoring to integrate women into the programming ✓ Integrate awareness messages into SBCC strategies that specifically target 	<p>WFP CO Head of Programme, M&E unit and nutrition teams</p> <p>WFP CO nutrition team</p>	<p>Dec 2020</p> <p>December 2020</p>	<p>In progress</p> <p>In progress</p>

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			indigenous populations such as the "Batwa" or followers of religions hostile to admission to the program. This will be integrated into the SBCC strategy			
4	Review the process of providing services in health centers	Accepted	✓ Ensure that services are offered daily rather than one day per week	WFP CO nutrition team and sub-office programme teams	December 2020	In progress
5	Study the possibility of applying a	Not accepted	Not accepted as this will be advised by HQ and	NA	NA	NA

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	simplified protocol for the management of acute malnutrition in the context of Burundi		beyond the scope of the CO – this was mentioned in the early stages of the evaluation			
6	Develop and implement joint programmes	Accepted	✓ Determine the package of specific and sensitive interventions / activities to provide to beneficiaries admitted to the MAM treatment program, in addition to food supplements and awareness raising. This is outlined in the nutrition policy developed by PRONIANUT in 2019	WFP CO programme team	December 2020	In progress

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			<p>through joint collaborations with UN agencies and NGOs through targeting indigenous groups</p> <p>✓ Depending on availability of multi-year resources, increase national geographic coverage, as well as targeting the populations belonging to the ethnic, religious and social communities most reluctant to admit to the program through joint collaborations</p>	WFP CO programme team	December 2021	In progress

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			with UN agencies and NGOs			