GLOBAL NUTRITION CLUSTER SUPPORT TO COUNTRIES IN HUMANITARIAN CRISIS - PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE

Global Nutrition Cluster Donor Webinar

DATE: January 31 2018
TIME: 9.00AM - 10.30 AM New York Time
About the Global Nutrition Cluster

✓ Established in 2006 as part of the Humanitarian Reform process, which aimed to improve the effectiveness of humanitarian response programmes by ensuring greater predictability, accountability and partnership.

✓ The Global Nutrition Cluster (GNC) has been at the forefront safeguarding and improving the nutritional status of populations in humanitarian crisis by facilitating coordination mechanisms to achieve timely, quality, and appropriate nutrition response.

UNICEF is the Cluster Lead Agency

46 GNC partners (including 10 observers)

Strategic Advisory Group

Support to 36 countries affected by humanitarian crisis.
Coordinated provision of humanitarian nutrition interventions to more than 517 million most vulnerable population through 23 Humanitarian Response Plans (HRPs) and 4 Refugee Response Plans (RRPs).

Real-time support provided through GNC-HelpDesk to 32 priority countries with an average of 9 countries supported per month.

From 2014 to date a total of 514 NCCs/ IMOs and cluster partners are trained
GNC in Action....Examples of Achievements

- **Surge support - GNC Rapid Response Team** members conducted to 22 high priority countries

- **Strategic GNC tools/ guidance/ training** contributing to better response and preparedness.

- **Institutionalizing** of cluster coordination positions at global and country level **by CLA**
GNC in Action..... Examples of Achievements

- **IM Toolkit** developed (20+ tools) – UNICEF, GNC-CT, RRT, ACF

- Six coordination case studies 2016 + special FEX Special issue in 2017
GNC has registered great success but it needs to do more........
GNC’s operating environment is changing rapidly

- Many and complex emergencies
- Health emergencies
- Affecting middle/high income countries
- Co-existence of stunting and wasting
GNC’s operating environment is changing rapidly

New Ways of working

New Partnerships

THE GRAND BARGAIN
How GNC plans to address the growing country needs in an increasingly changing humanitarian environment
Global Nutrition Cluster Strategy 2017 - 2020

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**STRATEGIC PLAN 2017 TO 2020**

- Mission
- Vision
- Strategic Priorities
- Way of Working
- Values

**GUIDANCE**

**WORK PLAN 2017 TO 2018**

- Outputs
- Activity Plan
- Budget & Funding Plan
- Resource Plan
- Measurement

**RESULTS**
GNC’s Strategic Priorities
Strategic Priority 1 – Operational Support Before, During and After Crisis

**Response** - platforms supported by GNC have the capacity to fulfil their role in coordination.

**Transition** - GNC supported clusters have the capacity to be transitioned to national nutrition coordination platforms.

**Preparedness** – national coordination platforms supported by GNC have the capacity to react appropriately to emergencies.
Strategic Priority 2 – Capacitate Nutrition Stakeholders

**Global** - The pool of Nutrition personnel to support coordination and information management in response to humanitarian crises is sufficient to meet demand.

**National/Regional** - Coordination mechanisms have the capacity to coordinate and meet their responsibilities in assisting affected populations in humanitarian crises.
Strategic Priority 3 – Influence and Advocate

To influence and advocate for improved, integrated and coordinated response during humanitarian crisis.

✓ Nutrition Cluster/sector/working group is appropriately activated in new crises as per the nutritional needs of the affected population and the capacity of the hosting government.

✓ Nutrition-sensitive objectives are included, implemented, monitored and evaluated in relevant cluster plans (WASH, Food Security and Health Clusters).

✓ Infant and Young Child Feeding-in Emergencies (IYCF-E) and micronutrient interventions are systematically included, implemented, monitored and evaluated in crisis responses within the Nutrition Cluster and other relevant clusters.
GNC’s Supporting Objectives
Supporting Objective 1a: External Engagement Objectives

Inter-Cluster Engagement Objectives

To engage with other relevant clusters for:

- Joint needs assessment and analysis and response planning frameworks (with relevant clusters) are adopted at country level
- Integrated country clusters plans are in place with measurable indicators that meet the range of affected populations’ needs
- Common operational frameworks address the needs of affected populations
- Country coordination personnel support integrated action through clusters
CLA Engagement Objectives

✔ More **predictable funding** to maintain coordination and IM capacities for all UNICEF clusters and Area of Responsibility.

✔ Increased **mainstreaming of coordination and IM capacities** in UNICEF.

✔ The CLA commits to **addressing preparedness for coordination for** nutrition in emergencies responses through regular programmes in non-cluster activated countries.

✔ UNICEF plays a **leadership role in technical support**, guidance and capacity.
Supporting Objective 1c: External Engagement Objectives

**Donor Partnership Objectives**

- Increased **predictable and multi-year funding** for programming and for coordination

- Value added demonstrated to donors through proof that GNC is meeting commitments in the Grand Bargain

- GNC and other relevant clusters **monitor and report** on developments in Grand Bargain commitments based on joint position papers

- The **advocacy toolkit** is rolled out to national platforms and being used to influence donors
Development Actors’ Engagement Objectives

To engage with global nutrition initiatives to ensure better preparedness and transition in crisis prone countries
Supporting Objective 2: Internal Development Objectives

To help deliver GNC strategic priorities by strengthening internal ways of working in the GNC partnership

Knowledge Management

Stronger evidence generation and sustained capacity for knowledge capturing

Partnership and Communication

Partnerships and communications support the delivery of strategic priorities
• Budgeted: US$5,561,600 (2 years)
• Allocated: US$1,145,217
• Expenditures: US$1,144,833
• Donors:
  • DFID: $392,193
  • Swiss Government: $176,894
  • UNICEF: $576,130
We believe that countries in humanitarian crisis deserve GNC’s support - we can only make it possible together.
Additional Resources:


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Questions for discussions

✓ What interests you most about GNC work? Why?

✓ What are the most critical results you expect GNC to produce?

✓ What do you believe would most transform GNC work to the next level?

✓ What modalities should GNC use to engage with you more regularly?