VPPAG packaging harmonization sub-group: minutes of meeting # 3

Date: 13th February 2013

Representing

Present: Sy Gebrekidan (SG) IFPMA

IFPMA¹ Andrea Arancibia (AA) Fabian de Paoli (FP) **IFPMA** Kingman Ng (KN) **IFPMA** Brad Holstine (BH) **IFPMA** Wolfram Shlimme (WS) **IFPMA** Inder Jit Sharma DCVMN¹ Oz Mansoor (OM) UNICEF Debra Kristensen (DK) PATH

Andrew Garnett (AG) Consultant

Apologies: Giselle Corrêa Miranda DCVMN

Item	Action
Previous minutes: Accepted.	
Gantt chart programme: SG has circulated the programme to colleagues. Agreed that tasks will be assigned before the next meeting. In addition SG will contact Giselle Corrêa Miranda with a view to dividing the tasks between IFPMA and DCVMN.	IFPMA, DCVMN
Agreed that we should aim for the end of June target date. However OM indicated that more time will be available if needed.	
Six Sigma: A slide set has been put together. This will be shared before the next meeting. BH outlined the scope of Six Sigma and its relevance to this project as a structured approach to problem solving – the key to success is correct understanding of the problem.	IFPMA
SG confirmed that Joe Provo, who is a Six Sigma 'black belt', will be joining the panel of IFPMA technical experts.	
SG is also investigating funding sources for a Six Sigma consultant to help the team. There is a low probability of obtaining agreement, and we will not know until mid to late March	
Draft country questionnaire: A first draft of the country questionnaire was circulated before the meeting. Agreed that initial comments should be sent to AG by Monday 18 February.	All
DK suggested that AG should work with Kate Bartholomew at PATH to finalise the Survey Monkey on-line version. AG will prepare an introductory section to explain the purpose of the survey and the terminology used.	DK, AG, PATH
AG proposed that the questionnaire be sent to an agreed list of named individuals. DK and AG will prepare a list of names of relevant national and sub-national staff in the Optimize pilot countries plus other country contacts.	DK, AG

¹ With communication problems.

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OM suggested that, in addition, the questionnaire link should be posted in the GIN (Global Immunization News) as well as on TechNet.	
Modelling work: Group comments on the relevance of the proposed modelling work by the University Of Pittsburgh remain outstanding- see previous minutes. Comments are invited before the next meeting.	All
IPAC meeting in April: SG suggested a face-to-face meeting to coincide with the next IPAC meeting in Geneva. SY/OM to liaise.	SY, OM
AOB: OM requested physical examples of current secondary and tertiary cartons, especially for those vaccines on the current UNICEF procurement list. OM to follow up with manufacturers and Supply Division.	ОМ
Next meetings:	
The following times have been scheduled:	All
 Wednesday 27th February at 13:00-14:00 GMT Wednesday 13th March at 15:00-16:00 GMT Wednesday 27th March at 13:00-14:00 GMT 	
UNICEF to send invitations and provide call-in details	UNICEF

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