INTRODUCTION
WELCOME & OPENING
OBJECTIVES

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GROUP ACTIVITY

INTERVIEW YOUR NEIGHBOR

1. Find someone you do not know. Move around.

2. Take 2 minutes each to ask:
   - Name
   - Professional information: position, institution
   - Role in using evidence for decisions in your organisation

3. Return to group

4. Introduce your partner to the group; share what you learned
OVERVIEW OF TRAINING - PART 1

Goal
Objectives & Outcomes
Needs Assessment Results
Training Design
Pre-training & follow-up components
Adult Learning
TRAINING GOAL

To enhance capacity of mid-level policy makers in accessing, appraising, synthesizing, & applying research evidence
TRAINING OBJECTIVES

Strengthen participants’ skills & knowledge to:

• Define policy questions
• Identify leading sources of health evidence
• Conduct systematic and effective/productive searches of evidence
• Critically appraise evidence
• Adapt research findings from elsewhere for use in other contexts
• Review various evidence sources & synthesize messages and recommendations
• Develop a policy brief with recommendations for a current policy issue
• Effectively communicate policy recommendations to officials
EXPECTED TRAINING OUTCOME

1. Practical skills strengthened in accessing, appraising, synthesizing & applying evidence
2. Evidence-to-policy products created: Draft policy brief or memo, presentation outline or key messages
3. Ultimately, technical capacity improved to increase demand for and use of evidence in decision-making within MoH & parliament
WHY TRAINING? NEEDS ASSESSMENT RESULTS
NEEDS ASSESSMENT CONDUCTED IN MOH & PARLIAMENT IN KENYA & MALAWI INDICATED A GAP IN TECHNICAL SKILLS

Respondents in the needs assessment on status of evidence use in health policy making in 2014 said they lacked skills to:

- Analyze routine data
- Access evidence – search & assess quality of documents
- Interpret & synthesize findings from various documents
- Summarize evidence into clear policy messages
TRAINING DESIGN

- Integrated approach: pre-training, multi-day training, follow-up
- Interactive and practical
- The Modules
- A great deal of information!

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TRAINING DESIGN: PRE-TRAINING & FOLLOW-UP PROGRAM

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TRAINING DESIGN: ADULT LEARNING PRINCIPLES

- Draw on knowledge, expertise, & experiences of participants
- Keep the training relevant to work
- Encourage participants to put learnings into practice
- Foster collaboration & exchange among participants, & between facilitators
YOUR ACTIVE PARTICIPATION

- Listen deeply
- Speak up when you have something to add
- Encourage everyone to speak
- Serve in roles for group work
- Take notes during group work
- Do background reading & assignments
TRAINING OVERVIEW - PART 2

Logistics
Agenda
The Participant Guide
Group Agreements
Expectations, Hopes, & Fears
Pre-test Results
LOGISTICS

- Bathrooms
- Daily Start and End Times
- Meals, allowances/per diems, etc.
- Tea and Lunch Break Times
- Coordinator for Tea and Lunch Breaks
Evidence Informed Policy Making Training

Agenda

Sunday - Pre-test Survey

Day 1 (Mon 2015)

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<td>B. Review pre-test results; what and why 10 min</td>
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Learning Objectives

1. Introduce participants to each other and to the SECURE Health project
2. Introduce the training objectives, materials, and logistics
3. Review the pre-test
4. Create an effective learning environment
What do we want to agree on as guidelines for working together?
SOME SUGGESTED GROUP AGREEMENTS

- Mobile phones, iPads & laptops on silent mode/switched off
- Commit yourself to attend
- Keep time
- Allow each person time to talk
- Ask questions

- Keep on topic
- Keep personal comments confidential
- Take care of yourself
GROUP ACTIVITY

YOUR EXPECTATIONS

1. Write your expectation for the training
2. Pass it forward to facilitator
3. Process with Agenda & Parking Lot
GROUP ACTIVITY
YOUR HOPES AND FEARS

1. Write your hopes on one color Post-It
2. Write your fear on the other color Post-It
3. Post each on chart paper on wall
4. Process

Take just 2-4 minutes for this
PRE-TEST RESULTS

Summary of scores & areas for emphasis
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