**Programmatic steering**

**Indicator Reference Sheet**

**Health]** program

**[Outcome]** O4: Strengthened capacity to produce quality and timely MNCH data for decision making at the district level.

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| Indicator Title | 4.3. Percentage of health facilities systematically using information to monitor performance.  “Use of information for monitoring performance” |
| Definition | The capacity of health facilities managers to use routine information systems to monitor performance. An effective health information and management system processes raw data and produces information that allows decision-makers to understand how well the facility or program is performing. |
| What does the indicator measure exactly | This purpose of this indicator is to measure the use of routine service indicators. |
| Unit and disaggregation | Unit: Percentage.  Disaggregation: by district. |
| Calculation modalities | Number of health facilities systematically using information to monitor performance x 100 / Total number of health facilities. |
| Baseline | - |
| Data collection, sources and methods | Assessment of the health information system conducted during routine supervision or by an external evaluator; interviews with key staff. |
| Data collection & processing : M&E assistants with support of M&E officers and project managers  Data analysis & interpretation : project manager, M&E officers with support of health coordinators, regional or M&E advisors |
| Frequency and timing | Quarterly basis. |
| Data quality issues | This indicator assumes that the information available for review is timely, complete and accurate. Indicator 4.1. address these questions: Percentage of health facilities submitting timely, complete and accurate reports to district health authorities. This indicator does not measure the effectiveness of decision-making based on information that is monitored. To do so would require a more complex, in-depth measurement process that involves interviews with key informants and intensive document review. |
| Analysis & Interpretation | Review of written evidence of use of data (e.g. indicator charts, graphs); information system reports. When analysing this indicator, the presence of the following three attributes of systematic monitoring:   * Data are converted into information on specified indicators of performance; * Indicators are used to compare performance to objectives or standards established in operational and/or strategic plans; and * Trend/time analysis of information is available in a way that is accessible to management (e.g., tables, graphs). |
| Resources | Under the technical assistance of HQ, Tdh M&E and operational teams in each delegation should work closely with health authorities to collect and interpret the data.  Funding needed: routine monitoring, training, delegation M&E staff and HQ technical support |
| Other | Any other  question / comments |