

Panel 1

Jean-Marc Thome; Country Coordinator Laos; focus on access barrier affordability and ability to pay and reach; Fred Anthhi; Eye Care Coordinator Ghana; focus on access barrier acceptability and ability to seek; Eduardo Lambertin; Country coordinator Bolivia (spanish); focus on access barrier appropriateness and ability to engage; Bülent Kaya; project manager health promotion, SRC: focus on access barriers to information on health; Jenny Pieth; Head of Division Diversity and Transcultural competence: focus on access barriers to the Swiss health care system

Moderation: Monika Christofori-Khadka, SRC, Department of International Cooperation
Martin Waelchli, SRC, Department Health and Integration

Improving access to health care

Aim of the Workshop:

- Presenting and discussing access barriers to health in Switzerland as well as in selected SRC project countries
- Showcasing experiences, achievements and challenges of SRC interventions to sustain access to health care for the most vulnerable (in international cooperation based on results of the look-back study conducted in 2014-2015)

Outline of the workshop:

- 1) Setting the scene (20')
 - a) Martin Waelchli: Access to health care and information on health in Switzerland: problem area and interventions.
 - b) Monika Christofori-Khadka: Access to health in five selected country programmes
5' minutes introductory words
5' film presenting the results of the access study
- 2) Panel discussion with the panelists (moderated by Martin and Monika) (40')
 - a) Short introduction of the panelists
 - b) Specific questions to each panelist related to their focus access barrier. How did the SRC intervention overcome this access barrier? What has worked, where were the challenges?
 - c) Cross questioning Swiss and abroad panelists about the sustainability of these interventions, can access barriers for the most vulnerable indeed be sustainably removed? Experiences.
 - d) What would it require to better target the most vulnerable in a sustainable manner?
 - e) In which ways can we compare experiences and good practices of the different country contexts and learn from each other?

- f) Questions and answers from the plenary. Questions are written on paper and collected by two helpers, who give the questions to the moderator during the panel discussion. Moderator allocates 10' at the end of the panel for answering these questions.

3) Summary and conclusion

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