
Panel 2

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Promoting mother and child health

This panel discussion is of interest to all those working in mother-and-child health programmes in their everyday work, in a public institution, non-profit organization, or in grass-roots work. To reach mothers with children of various ages at the right time, networks and key persons must be targeted to build bridges and overcome communication hurdles.

The panel will discuss successful mother-and-child health projects in Switzerland and abroad, along with the special features of those projects. Participants will learn which stakeholders should be involved. They will learn to recognize typical stumbling blocks and milestones when planning and running mother-and-child health projects to improve mother-and-child health.

Input and discussion on the following topics:

- Fundamentals of mother and child health abroad:
Verena Wieland, SRC, Fundamentals & Development, IC
- Child Malaria Project
Dr Kokouvi Atobian-Kouassi, International Cooperation Delegate for Togo
- SRC strategy for family respite services:
Robin Delisle, Managing Director, SRC Neuchâtel
- Family services:
Sandrine Veaute-Rey, Head of Child Services, SRC Neuchâtel
- Experiences and questions from the audience (English and French)

Questions:

- In both theory and practice, what approaches have proved valuable in reaching out to mothers and children in extremely vulnerable circumstances?
- What can we learn from each other? (Exchange of experiences within Switzerland or abroad)
- What challenges still remain to be overcome?