# Monitoring and Evaluation

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- "The gathering of evidence to show what progress has been made in the implementation of programs over time." Focuses on inputs and outputs.
- "Measuring changes in outcomes and evaluating the impact of specific interventions on those outcomes." Focuses on outcomes and impact.

## Monitoring

• Identifying deviations from the established plan and finding quick practical solutions

### Supervision

Supervision is the process of guiding, supporting and assisting staff to perform well in carrying out their assigned tasks

### What is to be supervised

- Required resources are available
- Manpower is competent to perform
- Staff is motivated
- Staff performs

# Methods of Monitoring & Supervision

#### • Observation

- Communication with staff
- Communication with clients and community
- Review of records

# Steps in Monitoring

- Select Indicators
- Develop Standards
- Collect data/ information to measure
- Analyze to measure performance
- Compare against established plan
- Take corrective actions- decisions

#### Indicator

- Indicators are standardized measures to compare health status or health system performance
- Can identify change in situation

Standard Expected level of achievement

Benchmark Standards that some one has achieved Different ways of Selecting Indicators Input, Activities, Outcome, Impact Indicators

Key Success Variables

Activities that need special attention

"Complaint" Variables

### Input

- Infrastructure- building, water, electricity
- Organization- hierarchy, line of control, accountability and authority, policies and procedures
- Manpower
- Equipment
- Materials- drugs, disposables

#### Process

- Screening
- Outpatient clinics
- Vision correction
- Surgeries
- School health checkup
- Vitamin A supplementation

# Output

People who got their vision restoredPost-operative Infections, complications

# **Developing Indicators**

## Input

- No of centers with full staff in position
- No of centers with functional OT
- No of centers with uninterrupted supply of electricity

### Process

#### Diagnosis

- Number of people screened
- Number of people identified with visual impairment
- Number of people found fit for surgery

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- Number of people treated
- Number of people operated

## Individual's Performance

- Number of people screened / worker
- Number of people diagnosed/ worker
- Number of people operated/ surgeon
- Number of complications/ surgeon

#### Equipment utilization

- No of procedures/ OT
- No of procedures/ machine
- No of patients transported/ vehicle

#### Outcome

- Number of people got vision corrected/ restored
- Number of complications/ surgeon
- Number of complications/ center
- Client satisfaction

## Principles to Remember

- What you measure gets done and visa versa
- What is important one must measure
- What you monitor will usually improve

#### Why monitor and evaluate?

- To improve performance
- To improve day-to-day decision-making
- To enhance impact
- To provide early warning of problems
- To empower stakeholders
- To build understanding and capacity
- To stimulate learning
- To demonstrate & strengthen accountability

#### **Evaluation**

- Evaluation is the process to judge the value of a program
- One time activity
- May result in reformulation of plan
- Change in priorities, strategy and reallocation of funds
- By external agency

#### Ultimate aim of Evaluation

- To what extent the mission, goal and objectives of a program are fulfilled
- Do we need to continue or change the strategy

## Complementary Roles for Monitoring and Evaluation

#### Monitoring

- Routine collection of information
- Tracking
- implementation progress
- Measuring efficiency

#### • Analyzing informatio

Evaluation

- Ex-post assessment of effectiveness and imp
- Confirming project expectations
- Measuring impacts