Concept Mapping Workshop 1

Workshop guide

Introduction

- Introductions and workshop objectives presentations
- Divide the participants into three groups for the sessions work.
- Equip groups with essential materials: colored stick-notes and markers, flip charts.

Session 1 - Identifying the bottlenecks in the current TB program in Georgia

Objective: to identify the bottlenecks to successful TB treatment outcomes?

Facilitators probe for:

- Are the bottlenecks different for different patient sub-groups? Other differences: urban vs. rural setting, public vs private providers. Are there specific vulnerable groups or populations?
- What factors are driving the differences?
- What do we need to add? (Nodes on diagram to be added)
- What needs to be taken away? (Which bottlenecks are not relevant?)
- What data bottlenecks exist?

Timing: 10 minutes to write the factors they consider impeding TB care on post-its. 10 minutes for facilitators to explain participants patient pathway framework created by Vassal et al and adapted for the workshop. 40 minutes to position participants post its on a large print-out of the patient pathway, and a discussion stimulated by facilitators where necessary.

Session 2 – Identifying the different options and/or combinations of solutions

Objective: to identify the different options and/or combinations of solutions to address existing bottlenecks in TB care system.

Facilitators probe for:

- Packages: what are the targets: drug resistant vs. not drug resistant TB, urban vs. rural? Are they the same geographically? Are there specific vulnerable groups or populations?
- How do the solutions address the bottlenecks? Explain the causal pathway/links
- From the supply side, what can we do?
- Try to contextualize your solutions
- Think about the patient motivation for (non-)adherence

Timing: 15 minutes for participants to list identified solutions on stick-notes and put on the print-out of the patient pathway. An hour for group work presentations and discussions.

Session 3: Summing up bottlenecks and potential solutions by workshop organizers

Objective: to synthesise key bottlenecks and potential solutions presented and discussed by workshop participants.

Timing: 30 minutes for presentation and 30 minutes for discussion.

Session 4: Prioritizing solutions

Objective: the groups built on their problem analysis to prioritize the solutions

Question asked during the session: Which of your options is your priority solution?

Facilitators explaining the prioritization criteria:

Effectiveness, cost-effectiveness, acceptability, feasibility (technical, political, financial, implementation), affordability, sustainability, side-effects, equity

Facilitators probe for:

Regarding the financial incentives, what options should we look into? Is the financial incentive sufficiently comprehensive in itself? What are the minimal conditions for it to work?

Timing: 30 minutes for work in the small groups and 40 minutes for presentations and discussions.