Workshop to develop the approaches to monitoring of the implementation of the Georgian Transition Plan by efforts of civil society and communities' representatives

Dates: June 1-3, 2017 Venue: Hotel Kachreti Ambassadori

Georgia has developed a Plan on Transition from Global Fund funding by 2021. This document has been approved by the CCM. The document is critical for civil society and community representatives to ensure the sustainable transition of key HIV and TB services from Global Fund support to national funding. That is why it is important for civil society to develop an approach to monitoring of the implementation of the activities projected within the Transition Plan. The workshop will engage civil society groups and representatives of communities and will aim to familiarize them with the Transition Plan, identify gaps and priority areas, and to develop a plan to monitor the implementation of the transition process. National experts, representatives of GF Secretariat, representatives of international organizations will be invited to contribute to the workshop.

Objectives:

- Present Transition Plan (TP) to civil society and community representatives
- Identify TP priority areas, gaps and means for involvement with TP
- Elaborate TP implementation monitoring plan

Participants (Total 25 - 30 persons):

- Representatives of most at risk groups (IDU, CSW, MSM)
- Representatives of civil society organizations working in the field of HIV and TB (service providers, community groups, research and advocacy groups, human rights organizations)
- Representatives of regional and international organizations working in Georgia and being able to support CSO involvement into transition processes (EHRN, ECOM, UN, GF, etc.)
- Experts on the S&T related topics including:
 - Curatio International Foundation developed TP
 - Mzia Tabatadze developed monitoring plan for service delivery
 - Keti Goginashvili MOH representative
 - Someone on practical experience with monitoring to share personal experience
 - Giorgi Gomareli former head of the Financial Department of MOH
 - GF S&T EECA team, FPM

Session topics:

- TP content, principles, timelines, involved parties (Curatio)
- TP priority areas and gaps; critical areas for SCO and community interest and engagement (Paata Sabelashvili/Keti Goginashvili)
- GF S&T Policy, role of civil society in transition related processes including monitoring; Georgia eligibility for future GF funding (GF S&T specialist of FPM)
- SCO involvement in monitoring of service delivery in HIV/TB (Mzia Tabatadze)
- Health and social budget formation, cycle, process; opportunities for CSO involvement in budget formation and implementation monitoring (Giorgi Gomareli)

- MOH perspectives on SCO involvement with TP implementation and monitoring (Keti Goginashvili)
- Practical experience/case examples on SCO involvement with state program monitoring (TBN)
- Development of TP monitoring plan including the timeline and parties to be responsible for particular areas \ activities.

Outcomes:

- Participants have good understanding of the purpose, specific activities and targets of the Transition Plan
- Participants have identified and are aware of the gaps and bottlenecks of the TP including those of key importance for KAPs
- Participants have good understanding of the importance of TP implementation and are aware of its impact on the sustainability of service delivery in HIV and TB fields
- Participants have understanding of the opportunities and options to engage with monitoring of relevant governmental budget formation, its implementation, service delivery planning and implementation
- Participants develop specific, time-bound plan to monitor the transition process; this plan includes specific activities, identifies roles of particular organizations and groups and has clear targets and objectives.

Timeline of activities

Activity	Deadline	Responsible
Develop a draft version of the meeting concept	May 1	Mari/Dato
Develop final concept of the meeting and its draft agenda	May 10	Mari/Dato
Develop final version of the meeting agenda	May 15	Mari/Dato
Finalize list of participants	May 15	Mari/Dato
Identify relevant experts to be invited to participate in the workshop	May 15	Mari/Dato
Coordinate the process of the development of the presentations for the workshop by invited participants and experts	May 22	Mari/Dato
Coordinate the process of the development of the handout materials for the workshop participants	May 25	Mari/Dato
Develop the methodology of the evaluation of the workshop's results	May 25	Dato
Complete the logistics part of the event	May 27	Mari
Participate in a preparatory meeting with experts for the final discussion of the agenda, facilitation processes, roles of key participants and expected results	May 30	Mari/Dato
Facilitate 2-day workshop	June 1-2	Mari/Dato
Develop and submit to EHRN the report on the process and results of the workshop	June 15	Mari/Dato