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OFFICE ORDER.

National AIDS Control Programme Phase III is ending in 2012 and preparatory process for NACPIV is on the anvil by forming Working Groups on key areas..

The Working Groups would facilitate the process by discussing all issues through meetings and submit recommendations within the 6-8 week time frame

The following working group is formed for STI/RTI Prevention and Control Programme

- Convener: Dr. Sunil Khaparde, DDG (STI)
- Dr. Shobini Rajan, Deputy Director STI
- Dr Naveen Chharang, Assistant Director PH
- Dr Sandhya Kabra, ADG, Lab Services
- Manilal PO(TI)
- Dr. Aman Kumar Singh , Technical Expert STI, NTSU
 - Dr TLN Prasad, Technical Expert STI, NTSU
- Dr.Po Lin Chan, WHO
- Dr. Sameer Kumta, BMGF
- Dr. Anjana Das, FHI
- Dr. Vanita Gupta, Project Director, Chandigarh AIDS Control Society
- PD, Maharashtra, Himachal SACS
- Dr. Dinesh Baswal, AC, Maternal Health, MOHFW
- Dr. Usman, Ex. Director, Institute for Venereology
- Dr Sheela Godbole, Scientist E, NARI
- Dr. Sashi Kant, Dept of Community Medicine, AIIMS
- Dr. Usha K Baweja, Senior Consultant, Microbiology
- Dr Manju Bala, Consultant Microbiologist, Apex Regional STI centre, Safdarjung Hospital
- Rep. from NRHM
- Dr. Sanjay Zodphey, PHFI
- Dr. Sushena, ASHODAYA
- Dr Gangakhedkar, NARI
- Dr Sanjay Chawhan, NIRRH
 - Ms Radha Rani Mitra, BBC WST

Support staff :-Ms. Kusum Kumari


Detailed TOR and guidelines are attached

The composition of Working group would be as under:-

- Convener/Facilitator : A Senior Officer from NACO will be the facilitator and be the convener of each working group.
- Chair Person : Each working group will have a chair person. The chair person will moderate the discussion and develop a consensus on subject based on the terms of reference for each working groups
- Rapporteur : Chair person will identify a rapporteur for the group whose responsibility is to prepare the draft report of meetings.
- Number of Meetings : It is envisaged that each group will have at least 2 meetings.
- Final Report : The final report must be submitted by chairperson to NACO.
- Format for Report : The final report should address all the issues addressed in the TORs and must have specific actionable recommendation. The report should be concise and not exceed 20 pages
- Time Frame : The time frame for activity is 6-8 weeks

The conveners should co-ordinate with the members and start the activities immediately

This issues with the concurrence of Secretary & DG NACO


(Benoy Choudhury)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

To

- 1) Conveners of Working group
- 2) Divisional Officers, NACO
- 3) Officers NACO
- 4) Sr. PS to Secretary & DG
- 5) PS to AS NACO

Terms of Reference

- Review current status of STI services and suggest strategies for extending STI services through public sector health care delivery system upto sub – district level.
- Develop mechanisms for convergence with ARSH, family planning, sexual and reproductive health services under RCH II of NRHM
- Suggest measures for enhanced involvement of private sector for providing quality STI services.
- Review methods of providing STI services to HRG and suggest innovative methods to reduce STI prevalence among HRG substantially
- Provide recommendations to strengthen the syndromic approach, rapid testing and etiological management of STI services at appropriate level of service delivery.
- Suggest measures for strengthening laboratory support for etiological management of STIs and set up of a laboratory based STI surveillance system .
- Suggest measures for strengthening Regional Laboratories for conducting Anti Microbial Drug Resistance studies.
- Identify programmatic thrust areas for taking up as OR activities under the programme
- Revisit the appropriateness of the estimates of STI/RTI burden on the basis of available data in the country.
- Develop strategies to scale up the programme achievements of reducing syphilis prevalence into elimination of congenital syphilis
- Suggest channels (IEC/BCC) for communications on STI management services for increasing demand.
- Recommend effective cross-linkages of RTI/STI with other HIV prevention and care and support programmes.
- Develop benchmarks for a quality assurance system for STI services in public and private sector.
- Assess technical support needs and recommend measures for capacity building and supportive supervision for both public and private sector.
- Develop and document a strategic approach for NACP – IV.
- Suggest innovations in implementation
- Explore the possibilities of integration activities with NRHM

Deliverables: Draft Report with Annexure

Time frame: 6-8 Weeks

NACP IV (2012 – 2017) Programme Plan Preparation Working Group Guidelines

The National Aids Control Programme, Government of India is initiating the programme plan preparation process the NACP IV phase of the programme. Having initiated the process of reversal through focused effort on prevention linked to care support and treatment, the next phase of the NACP will focus on accelerating this reversal process and ensure integration of the next programme response.

NACP IV seeks to consolidate the gains of NACP III and learn from the lessons of the previous phases of programme implementation. It aspires to further strengthen and decentralize the programme management capacities to state and district levels in particular. The focus will remain as prevention oriented plan with adequate coverage of the HIV care in the context of the concentrated epidemic situation in India.

The cross cutting issues which require focus in all WG discussions are

1. Innovation
2. Integration and Convergence
3. Capacity Building
4. GIPA
5. GENDER

Facilitators are encouraged to invite facilitators/members from other groups when issues which relate to other groups are discussed.

Separate meeting and discussion with Facilitators and core group is planned at the end of 1st and 2nd round of meetings.

Working Group Activity Guidelines:

Convener	A Senior Officer from NACO will be the facilitator and convener of each WG.
Chairperson	Each working group will have a chairperson. The chairperson will moderate the discussion and develop a consensus on subject based on the terms of reference.
Rapporteur	Chairperson will identify a Rapporteur for the group whose responsibility is to prepare the draft report of meetings.
Number of Meetings	It is envisaged that each group will have at least 2-3 meetings.
Final Report	The Chairperson and Facilitator of each working group will submit the final report to NACO.
Format for Report	The final report should address all the issues addressed in the TORs and must have specific actionable recommendation. The report should be concise and not exceed 20 pages.
Time Frame	The time frame for activity is 6-8 weeks.
Invited Members	If necessary, each WG can invite one or two key representatives of other relevant groups to discuss the cross cutting issues
Core Team	One NACP Core Team member may participate in the discussion of each WG