

CBM Quick Process Reference Guide (QPRG)

for Country Planning

Process description

1. Purpose of process

The purpose of the process is to define and plan CBM's long-term national program work in line with the principles of needs and impact-oriented use of resources.

2. Introduction and scope

It is the responsibility of the Country Director to facilitate adherence to key principles as outlined in this QPRG and to assure the delivery of the "Country (Strategic) Plan" which is the final and approved documentation.

This includes

- tailoring the process to the local context in line with CBM's 3-way working collaboration
- developing and updating required documents
- ensuring adequate representation of key stakeholders
- aligning with the Regional Hub Director (especially in terms of adequate resources).

3. Key stakeholders in the process

External stakeholders in the country: for example, Disabled Persons' Organisations, government, implementing partner organisations, beneficiaries.

Internal stakeholders:

- Geography: Country Director (CD); Regional Hub Director (RHD), regional Country Planning Focal (CPF) person.
- Initiatives: Inclusive Eye Health (IEH), Community Based Inclusive Development (CBID).
- Resource Mobilisation: Institutional Donors & Philanthropy (IDP), Individual Giving and Donor Management (IGDM).
- Furthermore: CBM Executive Management for approval; the Portfolio and Partner Management Support (PPMS) Team for global support.

4. Key process principles and considerations

Country planning in CBM is a rolling process and contains the development of a 5-year-Country Plan. The plan needs to be reviewed, updated, and formally re-endorsed/-approved every three years. An annual reflection of the plan is recommended. The four key process stages are: Preparation, situation analysis, plan development, documentation and approval.

5. Specific situations

The "Country Plan" responds to local context while considering core strategic principles of CBM plans and must be aligned to:

- Sustainable Development Goals
- UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
- CBM Strategy
- 5-3-1 plans of the regions
- Initiative plans
- Fundraising strategies
- CBM Theory of Change
- CBM Programme Quality Framework

6. Minimum requirements

The results of activities concerning the country planning or review are documented in the CountryPlanning_DocumentationFormat.docx.

Supporting documentation is to be filed at country office and to be made available to stakeholders upon request. Guidance on how to develop the content and how to document is given in the document called CountryPlanning_GuidanceNotes.docx.

In each Regional Hub Office is a Country Planning Focal person, available for supporting the Country Offices in the process. In case additional tools are needed this can be made available by the Strategic Portfolio and Partner Management Team together with hands on support and coaching.

7. Detailed process step and responsibilities

Key process/ Phase	Detailed process steps	Who	Participant stakeholders	Tools/Reference	Time/when
Preparation	 Agree timing of the process Review key documents on CBM's activities and compile lessons learned from previous years Conduct a CBM internal kick-off call for orientation Identify external stakeholders participating in the process 	CD	RHD, Initiative Directors For step 3 additionally: CPF, Initiatives, IDP, IGDM, PPMS	Guidance Notes	Time estimate: 1 month
Situation Analysis or Situation Review	 5. Conduct/ update Country Situation Analysis Analyse partner portfolio Collect and analyse external trends and stakeholder needs 	CD	RHD, CPF, Initiatives, IDP, IGDM, External Stakeholders	Guidance NotesTerms of Referenceif hiring a consultant	Time estimate: 2 months
Plan Development or Plan Review	 6. Develop Country Plan, including Strategic Priorities Baseline Analysis Implementation Risks Financial Needs Optional: Theory of Change 7. Set up a monitoring and learning plan 8. Derive and align impact on workload and needed capacities in country office to deliver according to plan 	CD	RHD, CPF, Initiatives, IDP, IGDM, External Stakeholders For step 8: RHD	 Guidance Notes Country Plan Documentation Format Annexe 5: Allocation of Budgets to Time Bands Theory of Change 	Time estimate: 2 months

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