

Global Online Forum on Lactational Amenorrhea Method and the Transition to Other Modern Methods

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Please join ACCESS-FP for a global online forum on Lactational Amenorrhea Method (LAM) and the Transition to Other Modern Methods on the PFP Community of Practice. The goal of this forum is to update participants’ knowledge on the latest programmatic approaches to LAM counseling and service provision and the transition to other modern methods. This online forum will build upon the discussions that transpired in the first online forum on LAM in March 2007. Following that first forum, an Interagency LAM Working Group (IAWG) - comprised of over 20 organizational members from a myriad of institutions - has developed strategies, programmatic approaches, and tools to revitalize LAM service provision and use. This online forum will provide an opportunity for participants to discuss these latest approaches including:

- Rationale for repositioning LAM and approaches to operationalizing LAM
- Programmatic approaches for integrating LAM and the transition into MNCH programs
- Programmatic approaches to emphasizing the transition
- Indicators for measuring LAM and the transition

The discussion will have contributions from the following experts: Justine Kavle, Assistant Professor and Senior Program Officer for Research and Scale-Up at Georgetown University Institute for Reproductive Health and Georgetown University School of Medicine; Agnes Guyon, Senior Child Health and Nutrition Advisor at JSI Research and Training Institute; Rahila Juya, Training Performance Advisor at Jhpiego for ACCESS/HSSP in Afghanistan; Damou Keita, Programs Coordinator at Save the Children/Guinea; Hannatu Abdullahi, Senior Quality Management Advisor at Jhpiego for the TSHIP Project in Nigeria; and Samaila Yusuf, Senior Community Mobilization Officer at Jhpiego for ACCESS/MCHIP in Nigeria. Experts will share experiences and provide insights on programmatic implementation in a variety of settings based on their own experiences.

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During the forum, you will receive one or two e-mails per day from the forum administrators, with all contributions screened and presented as a single, well-organized digest. You will be able to participate in the forum simply by responding to this daily digest via e-mail. Or you can contribute to the discussion via the web by logging into the Implementing Best Practices (IBP) Knowledge Gateway at <http://my.ibpinitiative.org/public/ppfp/> with your username and password.

We look forward to your participation!