Sector Expert Roundtable on Smart Ways to Improve Health Outcomes in Bangladesh
Date: February 09, 2016
Time: 12:00pm-3:00pm (refreshments provided)
Venue: BRAC Centre Inn, Meeting Room # 1 (Level 3)
BRAC Centre, 75 Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212

Topic	Speaker	Time
Welcome Speech	**Abdul Bayes** Director, Research and Evaluation Division, BRAC	12:00 pm – 12:05 pm
Project Background & Current Status	**Brad Wong** Sr. Research Manager, Copenhagen Consensus	12:05 pm – 12:15 pm
Individual Presentation – 1		
Non-communicable Diseases	**Tracey Perez Koehlmoos** Director of Health Services Administration Division and Associate Professor of Preventive Medicine & Biostatics, School of Medicine Uniformed Services University	12:15 pm – 12:35 pm
Q & A + Comments		12:35 pm – 12:45 pm
Primary Healthcare	**Rumana Huque** Professor, Department of Economics University of Dhaka	12:45 pm – 1:05 pm
Q & A + Comments		1:05 pm – 1:15 pm
Tuberculosis	**Anna Vassal** Lecturer, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine	1:15 pm – 1:35 pm
Q & A + Comments		1:35 pm – 1:45 pm
Immunization, Child and Maternal Health	**Jahangir Khan** Senior Lecturer, Health Economics Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine	1:45 pm – 2:05 pm
Q & A + Comments		2:05 pm – 2:15 pm
Prioritization Exercise and Closing Remarks	**Brad Wong** Sr. Research Manager, Copenhagen Consensus	2:15 pm – 2:30 pm
Refreshments		3:00 pm

Biographies of Participating Economists

Dr Tracey Pérez Koehlmoos joined the faculty of the Uniformed Services University in July 2015 in order to lead the development of a robust health services administration and policy research and graduate program in support of the military health system. Previously she served as the Special Assistant to the Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps. Dr. Koehlmoos is a health systems and policy scientist who

specializes in leading complex tasks, program development and capacity building across the spectrum of health systems building blocks. Prior to transitioning to domestic and defense healthcare, she lived and worked in Saudi Arabia, Pakistan, Nepal, Bangladesh and Indonesia. Previously Dr. Koehlmoos led the Health & Family Planning Systems Programme at ICDDR,B in Dhaka Bangladesh. There, she scaled up zinc for the treatment of childhood diarrhea; founded the Centre for Control of Chronic Diseases and created and led the Centre for Systematic Review, which focuses on health systems and policy issues in low- and middle-income countries and conducted capacity building in this methodology across South Asia.

Rumana Huque is a Professor of Economics at the University of Dhaka. She is also the Executive Director of ARK Foundation, a research NGO. She is a health economist with interests in healthcare financing, resource allocation and budgeting, and program evaluation. She is leading a number of research projects with University of Leeds, University of York and University of Liverpool to support the Communicable Disease - Health Service Delivery (COMDIS-HSD) research program consortium and tobacco research in Bangladesh. She is also working as international consultant in preparing the Strategic Investment Plan (SIP) for the 4th SWAp of the country

Anna Vassall is a health economist with over twenty five years experience in economic analysis. She has an MSc in Health Planning and Financing at the LSHTM, and has worked on health planning and financing, aid effectiveness and the cost-effectiveness of tuberculosis and reproductive health in a wide range of low and middle income countries. She has provided economic support to European Community and World Bank funded health sector reform and development projects in Yemen, East Timor, Syria and Sudan. Her PhD is in the economic evaluation of tuberculosis control. She has worked as an academic since 2010 (at LSHTM). She is current a senior lecturer in the department of Global Health and Development specialising in research into the economics of HIV and TB, with a particular focus on health services and systems.

Jahangir A. M. Khan is a Senior Lecturer in Health Economics at Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine in United Kingdom, and also an Associate Professor at James P Grant School of Public Health in Brac University in Bangladesh. He previously worked at icddr,b in Bangladesh as the Head of Health Economics unit and as a Researcher at Karolinska Institutet in Sweden. His research interest comprises of healthcare financing, health insurance, economic evaluation of health interventions as well as equity and efficiency impact of health systems. Dr. Khan is a member of government-led country representation for Bangladesh in Joint Learning Network for Universal Health Coverage. He contributed to develop the first-ever healthcare financing strategy of Bangladesh and authored Health Systems in Transition, Bangladesh of Asia Pacific Observatory on Public Health Systems and Policies. Dr. Khan authored several publications in international journals