Cluster Coordination
Performance Monitoring
What is the CCPM?

A self-assessment of cluster performance against the 6 core cluster functions and Accountability to Affected populations:

1. support service delivery
2. inform the HC/HCT's strategic decision-making
3. strategy development
4. monitor and evaluate performance
5. capacity building in preparedness and contingency planning.
6. Advocacy
7. + section on Accountability to Affected Populations

A country led process, supported by Global Clusters and OCHA

The CPM can be applied by both clusters and sectors
Where does the CCPM come from?

- Transformative Agenda

  Improve coordination and accountability

- Developed by the IASC SWG on the Cluster Approach and endorsed by the IASC WG in 2012

- Piloted in 2012 and implemented from 2013
Why monitor cluster coordination performance?

- Ensure efficient and effective coordination
- Take stock of what functional areas work well and what areas need improvement
- Raise awareness of support needed from the HC/HCT, cluster lead agencies, global clusters or cluster partners
- Opportunity for self-reflection
- Strengthening transparency and partnership within the cluster
- Show the added value and justify the costs of coordination
The CCPM does not …

- Monitor response (service delivery)
- Evaluate individual partners or coordinators
- Evaluate if/when clusters should be deactivated, merged etc. (Review of the cluster architecture)
- Exclude usage of other tools with the same purpose
When to implement the CCPM?

- **Protracted crises:** Annually, but clusters decide when to implement it.
- **New emergencies:** 3-6 months after the onset and once every year thereafter.
- **If several core functions have been registered as weak or more frequent**
- **Avoid simultaneous commitments (e.g. the Strategic Planning Process, donor visits etc.)**
Who is involved?

- Ideally all clusters (cluster coordinators and partners)
- Global clusters: Technical and facilitation support
- OCHA-HQ: Technical and facilitation support when clusters don’t have the survey tool
- OCHA-FO: coordinate across clusters (ICC) and ensure engagement of HC/HCT
CCPM in steps

**CPM IN STEPS**

1. Planning
   - Decision on Implementation

2. Survey
   - Preliminary Report

3. Analysis Action Planning
   - Final Report & Action Plan

4. Monitoring
   - Quarterly Reports to HCT
Step I: Planning

- HCT decision on CCPM timeframe and participation
- Inter-cluster Coordination Group discussion
- Each cluster meets to:
  - Discuss the CCPM purpose, process, methodology and outputs;
  - Clarify timeframe for survey and completion of report;
  - Clarify role of government counterpart
  - Establish commitment to follow-up on agreed actions to improve performance.

- Output I: Agreement on implementation and timeframe
Step II: The Survey

- **Three online questionnaires:**
  i. The Cluster Description Report, completed by the cluster coordinator
  ii. Coordination performance questionnaire, completed by the cluster coordinator, app. 20-25 min
  iii. Coordination performance questionnaire, completed by the cluster partners, app. 20-25 min

- **Important:**
  - Responses are anonymous - but avoid sensitive comments
  - Important to fully complete the questionnaire
  - Survey results only shared externally after the cluster has contextualised it.
Step II: The Survey

Example of survey question:

‘Has your organization been involved in the development of the strategic plan?’

☐ No strategic plan (NA)

☐ My organization was not asked to be involved

☐ My organization was asked to be involved but has not contributed

☐ My organization was asked to be involved, has contributed but contribution not adequately taken into account

☐ My organization was asked to be involved, has contributed and contribution somewhat adequately taken into account

☐ My organization was asked to be involved, has contributed and contribution adequately taken into account
Step II: The Survey

Analysis and scoring of performance status

- The median score for each sub-category is calculated based on aggregated results of partners and coordinator.
- The median score is classified into a 4 categories of performance status:

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<td>≤ 0.25%</td>
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Step II: The Survey

Output II: The survey results are weighted and compiled into a report

1. Supporting service delivery
   1.1 Provide a platform to ensure that service delivery is driven by the agreed strategic priorities
       - Good
   1.2 Develop mechanisms to eliminate duplication of service delivery
       - Unsatisfactory

2. Informing strategic decision-making of the HC/HCT for the humanitarian response
   2.1 Needs assessment and gap analysis (across other sectors and within the sector)
       - Satisfactory
   2.2 Analysis to identify and address (emerging) gaps, obstacles, duplication, and cross-cutting issues.
       - Weak
   2.3 Prioritization, grounded in response analysis
       - Satisfactory
Step III: Cluster analysis and action planning

- Review/amend the Cluster Description Report
- Explain/contextualize findings
- Identify actions for improvement (focus on weak and unsatisfactory performance), timeframe and responsible for follow-up
- Pinpoint support requirements

Clusters can request the secretariat of the global clusters or OCHA-HQ for facilitation support
Step III: Cluster analysis and action planning

**Output III: Final CCPM and Action Plan**

- Actions for improvement, timeframe and responsible for follow-up
- Awareness of support requirements (HC/HCT, Cluster Lead Agencies, Partners, OCHA, Global Clusters and national authorities)
- Shared with the HC/HCT and Global Cluster and, if applicable, the national authorities
Step IV: Follow-up & Monitoring

Follow-up:
- ICC: Review of Reports/Action Plans → identify common weaknesses to be addressed systematically.
- HCT: Presentation of Reports/Action Plans and discussion of support requirements

Monitoring:
- Take stock of progress at monthly cluster meetings
- Quarterly progress reporting to the HCT

Output IV: Quarterly reports to HCT