HNutrition Cluster Information Management Training

Overview of HUMANiTARIAN ACTORS’ REsponsibilities

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| **Cluster Coordinator (CC)** | This is a person who has been designated by the Cluster Lead Agency at the country level. S/he is responsible for the day-to-day coordination and facilitation of the cluster’s work |
| **Cluster Lead Agency (CLA)** | An agency/organisation that formally commits to take on a leadership role within the international humanitarian community in a particular sector/area of activity, to ensure adequate response and high standards of predictability, accountability and partnership, and to serve as provider of last resort (POLR) when necessary. |
| **Humanitarian Coordinator (HC)** | Appointed by the Secretary-General, has overall responsibility for ensuring that the international response in a particular country is strategic, well planned, inclusive, coordinated and effective. This includes establishing inter-sectoral coordination mechanisms, supporting inter-sectoral needs assessments, managing information and providing overall support in advocacy and resource mobilisation for the response. |
| **Humanitarian Country Team (HCT)** | The equivalent at country level of the IASC at the global level. Chaired by the Resident/Humanitarian Coordinator, normally includes the UN and other international organisations that are members of the IASC and are present in the country, together with a similar number of NGOs (national and international) chosen or elected to be representative of the NGO community as a whole. |
| **Resident Coordinator (RC)** | Typically the most senior UN representative in-country, represents all organisations of the UN and has a mandate to coordinate their activities. S/he chairs the UN Country Team and is appointed by the UN Secretary-General. |
| **Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC)** | An inter-agency forum responsible for coordination, policy development and decision-making involving key UN and non-UN partners. Under the leadership of the Emergency Relief Coordinator (ERC), the IASC determines who is responsible for what in humanitarian response, identifies gaps and advocates for the application of international humanitarian principles. Accountable to the ERC. |
| **Emergency Relief Coordinator (ERC)** | The head of OCHA and chair of the IASC, who reports to the UN Secretary-General. The ERC is responsible for the global coordination of humanitarian assistance. |
| **Global Cluster Coordinator** | This is the person who has been given the job of coordinating the global cluster by the CLA. S/he is responsible for maintaining the partnership base within the cluster and for facilitating implementation of the global cluster work plan. |
| **Information Management Officers** | The IMO manages the collection, analysis and sharing of information that is important for the Cluster partners to make informed (evidence based) strategic decisions |
| **Cluster partners** | Individuals and organisations who collaborate to achieve mutually agreed objectives |