

Collective action in health response to
emergencies:
GHC Partners' contribution
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SURGE CAPACITY FOR CLUSTER FUNCTIONS

- Current ERC pilot project by SCUUK & IMC – 3 Results:
 1. Improved & faster response to emergencies through rapid deployment of surge staff to fill HC roles
 2. Build HC human resources capacity
 3. Lessons learning on current HC performance, in particular contribution of current project.

- Preliminary results
 1. 6 HCC/IMO/PHO deployed to 4 L-3 and 1 L-2 emergencies across 6 countries
 2. Health Cluster Professional Development Strategy Report and Recommendations in development & HCC training materials refreshed
 3. Lessons learning on-going



Some thoughts

Without prejudice to the outcomes of the Lessons Learning exercise/Joint Evaluation & based on our experience through implementing the pilot project...

1. Who is HC? Vision, strategy, roles & responsibilities of partners

2. What is HC surge? Embroilment of WHO surge & HC surge

3. How can HC ensure effective surge?

Fit-for-emergency-response- purpose HC partners
who can “get the right person in the right place in the right time
- as simply, efficiently and safely as possible”

Note on alternative leadership models for country HC



Future?

- SCUK & IMC committed to adjusting/expanding/scaling up current initiative based on lessons learned & best practices from other Clusters
- Concept Note in development
- Wide range of GHC partners involved
- Close consultation with GHC Unit and WHO/ERM

Thank you

