Overview of the Anaemia Action Alliance

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A new approach: the Anaemia Action Alliance

**Mission:** To foster accelerated and coordinated anaemia reduction efforts, including through the adaptation and implementation of the WHO Comprehensive framework for action to accelerate anaemia reduction.

- Multi-agency, multi-disciplinary initiative on anaemia reduction, with a goal to:
  - Deepen the **awareness** of anaemia as a health and development issue, achieve shared understanding of its complex etiology
  - Strengthen **collective action** (education, polices, programmes)
  - Increase **investments** and **leadership** for addressing anaemia comprehensively
Anaemia Action Alliance

Steering committee

Secretariat
Incl. an Advocacy and Communications function

Working group 1
Integrated research

Working group 2
Investment strategy

Working group 3
National anaemia action

Working group 4
Programmatic implementation

Core group
Representatives of intergovernmental organizations, non-governmental organizations, philanthropic foundations and technical and academic institutions free from conflicts of interest

Stakeholders’ Forum
Constituencies or stakeholders outside the criteria for membership and/or those that are not members of the Core group (subject to due diligence and risk assessment)
Core group and working groups

**Core group**
- Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI)
- Micronutrient Forum
- Nutrition International
- Tanzania Food and Nutrition Research Center (TFNC)
- US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- USAID NuMERAL

**Working groups**

**National integrated anaemia actions**
- USAID (NuMERAL): Dr Denish Moorthy
- UNICEF: Dr Simeon Nanama & Dr Arnaud Laillou

**Programmatic implementation**
- Nutrition International: Dr Mandana Arabi & Dr Daniel Lopez de Romaña

**Investment strategy**
- Global Financing Facility: Dr Biram Ndiaye
- The World Bank: Dr Julie Ruel-Bergeron & Kajali Paintal Goswami

**Integrated research agenda**
- US CDC: Dr Maria Elena Jefferds
- FAO: Dr Lynnette Neufeld

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Aligning efforts to reduce anaemia

• We must all **work together** to ensure that women, adolescent girls and children affected by anaemia receive the care and support they need and deserve.

• The Alliance is a powerful **platform** for countries and agencies to share experiences.

• By **aligning our efforts**, we can get on track to reduce anaemia.

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Thank you

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