

The online learning event held on Thursday 11th June 2020 addressed three issues.

1. What progress has been made in responding to the challenges posed by COVID-19?

Although the staff of most of the partners are working from home, activities in raising public awareness in response to COVID-19; in collecting and entry of baseline data; in developing manuals for engaging parents, teachers, community health volunteers and child protection volunteers; and in developing standard operating procedures are at various points of implementation.

In their response, the partners demonstrated a variety of measures taken to reach, engage and empower households.

Reaching households



Social media



Radio talk shows



Road shows

Engaging households



Hotlines



Webinars



Community volunteers and workers

Empowering households for

Home-based therapy for CWD

Hygiene response to COVID-19

Child safeguarding



ANDY is using local and national radio talk shows with expert guests to answer questions from calls to the shows. TAF is using webinars in collaboration with Kenya Institute of Special Education (KISE) to reach parents, practitioners and civil society. It is also using hotlines. AMURT has sensitized child protection volunteers. BAK will be using roadshows to address safeguarding, home learning and back-to-school campaigns. LCA uses bulk messaging. MECP-K uses rapid assessment on telephone. TdH holds weekly radio shows.

2. Highlights of the learning inception report

The learning journey will be based on four domains of change (a) inclusive and enabling environment for children with disabilities (b) nurturing and supportive families and communities (c) access to quality, integrated ECD services and (d) policy and structural change. A learning workshop is scheduled for October, 2020.

3. Collaboration on learning questions

- a. Able Child Africa with Lwala Community Alliance and MECP-K.
- b. The Action Foundation with Lwala Community Alliance.
- c. AMURT with MECP-K.
- d. Build Africa Kenya with MECP-K and TdH.
- e. Lwala Community Alliance with Able Child Africa and The Action Foundation.
- f. MECP-K with TdH.
- g. TdH with AMURT and Build Africa Kenya.

TdH will engage Lwala Community Alliance on ECD Working Group, while The Action Foundation will engage MECP-K on CCD.

Emerging solutions!



“We need to find way of sharing resources like material on CCD [Care for Child Development]. Should we set up a Google drive? I am just thinking.” *Contribution from The Action Foundation during the June 2020 online catch-up and review meeting*
As a result Upward Bound will work with the project partners to set up a repository of relevant resource material, and learning and knowledge products.

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