Move to strengthen M&E system for HIV programme

In recognition of the relevance of a strong strategic information system in the implementation of health programmes, in November, 2016 the National Capital District Health Service (NCDHS) took a bold step to strengthen its monitoring and evaluation (M&E) system for HIV services by conducting a baseline assessment with technical assistance from FHI 360 under the USAID funded Key Populations project. On May 26, 2017, the NCD health team, in collaboration with FHI 360, organised a one-day stakeholders’ workshop to deliberate findings and to develop an improvement plan to strengthen the weak links of its data system following a recent assessment. The main outcome of the workshop was an 18-month, joint intervention plan that has been endorsed by National HIV Technical Working Group, aimed at improving data availability, data quality, and data use in NCDHS. A matrix detailing key activities, responsible partner(s), timelines, and keys milestone to be achieved was also prepared. FHI 360 will continue to provide technical assistance to NCDHS and work in collaboration with other partners to ensure that the plan is fully implemented. A follow up assessment will be carried out after nine months of implementation | Ignatius Mogaba and Emelyn Valaun
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“My main role is to provide programmatic management support in Vanimo and Mount Hagen. I have learnt a lot while working with FHI 360, especially in management and public speaking. Before I joined FHI 360 I was very shy and didn’t like talking a lot. Being with the programme has encouraged me to speak in public places like meetings, forums, workshops, trainings and communities, which has built my confidence. My family and friends are so proud of me working with an international NGO.”