

COVID-END partners coordination call

Notes from 20 May 2021 https://zoom.us/j/6163788736

1. INTRODUCTIONS

a. No new partners to introduce today

2. REVIEW OF COVID-END ACTION ITEMS

a. Jeremy pointed partners to the partner notes from 6 May (see attachment 2)

3. COVID-END NETWORK UPDATES

a. Jeremy reminded partners about the need to respond to his email about WHO-ECC 19 paper authorship

4. PARTNER PROFILE

- a. Jeremy introduced two partners who described their contributions to the COVID-19 evidence response
 - i. UNICEF Office of Research Innocenti (Kerry Albright and Shivit Bakrania) see links to the UNICEF Children and COVID-19 library https://www.unicef-irc.org/about-covid-children-library, to COVID-19 Rapid Research Response https://www.unicef-irc.org/covid19, and to the Evidence Synthesis Landing Page https://www.unicef-irc.org/article/1812-evidence-synthesis.html
 - ii. EPPI-Centre (David Gough) see links to the EPPI-Centre's health map https://eppi.ioe.ac.uk/cms/Projects/DepartmentofHealthandSocialCare/Publishedreviews/COVID-19Livingsystematicmapoftheevidence/tabid/3765/Default.aspx and to its social-sciencs map https://eppi.ioe.ac.uk/cms/Default.aspx?tabid=3806

5. NEWS AND INITIATIVES OF INTEREST TO PARTNERS

- a. Nikita Burke provided an update about Evidence Synthesis Ireland's Priority III study
- b. Jeremy noted that the Africa Evidence Network, in collaboration with Republic of South Africa's Department of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation, is launching an evidence management guide for the Socio-Economic Impact Assessment System (SEIAS)
 - i. The launch will include government partners and researchers to:
 - explore the guide's role in advancing and embedding evidence-informed policy-making in South Africa;
 - unpack how the SEIAS relates to other mechanisms of embedding evidence-use in government and why the guide is a core support to that end, and;
 - learn from examples of how the guide can support policy-makers to implement the SEIAS, enhance impact, and improve policy development.
 - ii. Date and time: 24 May 2021, 2-4pm SAS

iii. Registration here

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

a. Jeremy reminded partners that COVID-END will be having a 'quiet week' the week of 24-28 May