Protecting Children from Violence: A Synthesis of Evaluation Findings

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Key findings
1. Review of 52 national evaluations of child protection programmes between 2005-2010: better integration of m&e in programme design needed

2. Programmes to build-up national systems that address violence against children must be sensitive to the social context

3. Evidence-base for child protection program strategies is critical for success but reliable data on violence against children are hard to get – good progress reported in this field

4. Safeguarding confidentiality of information and other measures to protect children victims of violence from re-victimization need to be strengthened
Key recommendations
Recommendation 1 - Strengthen planning, monitoring and evaluation capacity among M&E and CP Staff

- Synthesis report findings to be disseminated via webinars/documents/intranet (End 2012)

- Capacity mapping to assess needs of child protection staff (Q3 2012)

- Monitoring and evaluation resource pack under development (End 2012)
Recommendation 2: Review the systems approach of the Child Protection 2008 Strategy

- Global consultation on child protection systems to take stock of progress (Nov. 2012)

- Research and monitoring on social norms will be expanded

- In-depth review of 2008 child protection strategy to gauge progress and inform future programming (2013)

- Review-results and proposals for adjustments to the 2008 child protection strategy (2013)
Recommendation 3: Conduct global-level evaluations

• Global level evaluation of CP in emergencies (Q1 2013)

• Global level evaluation of programmes to prevent/respond to violence, building on meta-analysis findings (end 2013)
Recommendation 4: Review child safeguarding policies

• Key findings and recommendations in report to be disseminated and discussed with partners (mid 2012)

• Ethical guidelines for research with/on/for children and adolescents under development by UNICEF’s Research Office (mid 2013)

• Inter-agency handbook on data collection with ethical and methodological guidelines relating to research on Violence Against Children (end 2013)

• Other measures under discussion
Thank you