



Enhanced
Responses to
Nutrition
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Rethinking Responses to Chronic Health and Nutrition Emergencies in Fragile Contexts

Experiences and Learning from the Enhanced Responses to Nutrition Emergencies (ERNE) Programme (2020-2023)

23rd May 2023 (Main Event) and 24th May 2023 (Side Event)

Online

Day 1: Tuesday, 23rd May - Main Event: (9.00h – 16.00h UTC+1)

09.00 - 09.05

Welcome

Connell Foley, Director of Strategy, Advocacy and Learning, Concern Worldwide

09.05 - 09.15

Opening Remarks

David Regan, Chief Executive Officer, Concern Worldwide

09.15 - 09.30

Setting the Scene: What are the challenges to ensuring child survival and good nutrition in fragile contexts?

This session will introduce the context of the day's discussions with a review of the major challenges currently faced in tackling child health and nutrition in fragile contexts and the global policy and institutional landscape within which the humanitarian community is operating.

Speaker: Nigel Tricks, Chief Executive Officer, Emergency Nutrition Network (ENN)

09.30 - 10.10

Session 1: Towards a new model of Emergency Nutrition Response

This session will present an overview of the innovative ERNE programme model and an introduction to the main results and learning to date.

Speaker: Aoife Black, Global Programme Co-ordinator – ERNE, Concern Worldwide

10.10 - 10.20 **Comfort Break + ERNE Slideshow**

10.20 - 12.30
(includes a break) **Session 2: Challenges and promising approaches to building more resilient health systems in fragile contexts**

Introductory Presentation on ERNE programme context and learning followed by Breakout Sessions to discuss three of the key challenges identified during the programme. Will include sharing of experiences from ERNE programme countries DRC, Ethiopia, Niger, Republic of Sudan and South Sudan.

Participants will be assigned to one of three parallel groups:

- **Breakout Session 1:** Improving service access
- **Breakout Session 2:** Integration of nutrition and health services
- **Breakout Session 3:** Ensuring nutrition supplies

Summary of key recommendations from Breakout Sessions.

Facilitator: Kate Golden, Senior Nutrition Advisor & Lead Nutrition Technical Advisor for ERNE Programme, Concern Worldwide

12.30 - 13.30 **Lunch Break**

13.30 - 14.30 **Session 3: Which approaches can help anticipate and prevent nutrition crises?**

Sharing and discussing learning from ERNE on tools and approaches used to prepare for, anticipate and respond to shocks, such as Early Warning Systems and CMAM Surge. With experiences and examples from ERNE programme countries Ethiopia, Niger and South Sudan.

Facilitators:

- Jacqueline Frize, Early Warning Early Action (EWEA) Advisor, ERNE Programme Co-ordination Unit, Concern Worldwide
- Lucy Lafferty, Health and Nutrition Surge Manager, ERNE Programme Co-ordination Unit, Concern Worldwide

14.30 - 14.40 **Comfort Break & ERNE Slideshow**

14.40 - 15.40 **Panel Discussion: How can we further strengthen emergency health and nutrition responses in fragile contexts?**

This final session brings together a panel of experts to discuss what can and should be done to tackle the critical challenge of responding to health and nutrition crises in the world's most fragile countries, taking into account the shifting global context and ever increasing humanitarian needs.

Moderator: Nigel Tricks, Chief Executive Officer, Emergency Nutrition Network (ENN)

Panellists:

- Amina Ibrahim Abdulla, Regional Director for Horn of Africa, Concern Worldwide
- Christiane Rudert, Regional Nutrition Advisor, Eastern and Southern Africa Regional Office, UNICEF
- Marie-Sophie Whitney, Nutrition Thematic Expert, DG ECHO, European Commission

15.40 - 16.00

Closing Remarks

Connell Foley, Director of Strategy, Advocacy and Learning, Concern Worldwide

Day 2: Wednesday, 24th May (14.00 – 15.30 UTC+1) – Side Event

Way forward for the Surge Approach (CMAM and Health): Launch of revised guidelines

This session will provide an overview of key learning generated within the ERNE programme, and via the Global CMAM Surge Technical Working Group and West Africa CMAM Surge Taskforce which has informed the revision of the “Surge Approach Orientation Guide”. A short introduction to the guide and updated tools and resources will be given.

Facilitators:

- Lucy Lafferty, Health and Nutrition Surge Manager, ERNE Programme Co-ordination Unit, Concern Worldwide
- Mariama Mahamadou, National Expert - CMAM Surge, Concern Worldwide, Niger