Major activities of the Quality Improvement Secretariat in the month of August 2015

Major Events
- Participation in Every Mother Every Newborn (EMEN) ‘Care around the time of Birth’ MNH Quality Improvement Workshop in Tanzania; 10-14 Aug, 2015
- Participation in ‘International Training course on Universal Health Coverage’ in Thailand; 24th -28th August, 2015
- Conduction of orientation workshop at Kalihati Upazila Health Complex; 23rd Aug, 2015
- Organize planning workshop on MPDR national guideline development; 26th August, 2015
- Participation in BENAP consultation workshop, 29 Aug 2015

Ongoing Activities
- Provide orientation and follow-up activities in Shaheed Suhrawardy Medical College Hospital
- Facilitate assessment process and action plan development by the QI committees in Shaheed Suhrawardy Medical College Hospital
Every Mother Every Newborn (EMEN) ‘Care around the time of Birth’ MNH Quality Improvement Workshop

Date: August 10 to August 14, 2015  
Venue: Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

The objectives of the workshop were to provide an overview of country QI initiatives and discuss the strategic focus of their BMGF project plans, review the MNH QI standards, agree on core criteria and common elements to be included in all country implementation plans and develop a common design and methodology to conduct the baseline and endline assessments, agree on a joint work plan in line with the country plans and map the areas for technical support and also identify areas and opportunities for south-to-south collaboration, cross country exchange and learning. Dr Aminul Hasan, Deputy Director, Health Economics Unit and the Focal Person of Quality Improvement Secretariat participated in the workshop along with other participants from Bangladesh. He presented the country findings on relevant issues.

Orientation Workshop at Kalihati Upazila Health complex

Date: August 23, 2015  
Venue: Kalihati Upazila Health complex

The Quality Improvement Secretariat team conducted a workshop at Kalihati Upazila Health complex and oriented the doctors and nurses on the SSK and quality improvement initiatives at the national level. Dr Aminul Hasan, Deputy Director, Health Economics Unit and Focal person of Quality Improvement Secretariat discussed on SSK initiatives designed for that Upazila Health Complex and also highlighted the linkage with the relevant ‘quality improvement concept’ with this initiative it. Dr Harun-Or-Rashid, Consultant QIS presented on the ‘5s concept’ and Dr Shayema Khorshed, Consultant QIS presented on the recent quality initiatives at the national level including the development of the ‘National Strategic Planning on quality care in health service delivery in Bangladesh’.
The objective of the international training course on Universal Health Coverage, held from 24th to 28th August at Bangkok, Thailand was to share experience of Thai Universal Health Coverage Scheme (Thai UC Scheme) in terms of policy formulation along with the processes of implementation, monitoring and evaluation, in particular designing and application of provider payment methods i.e. capitation contract model, Diagnostic Related Groups (DRGs) with global budget and information system. The course was jointly organized by WHO of both countries along with National Health Security Office (NHSO) & Ministry of Public Health of Thailand. Transition of UHC systems along with guidelines to develop it in different countries perspectives were discussed in that course.

Dr. Md. Anwar Sadat, Medical Officer, Quality Improvement Secretariat attended along with 30 participants of Bangladesh and 20 other participants from 13 other countries and exchanged experience on country experience of steps towards achieving UHC and as well as building network among participants.
Planning workshop on MPDR (Maternal and Perinatal Death Review) National Guideline Development

Date: August 26, 2015  
Venue: Conference room, HEU

Quality Improvement Secretariat, MOHFW held a workshop with the key stakeholder’s participation on planning process of development of MPDR National Guideline. The objective of the workshop was to finalize the working groups, their TORs(Terms Of References) and mode of further working process for the development of the national guideline. Md Ashadul Islam, Additional Secretary & Director General HEU in his inaugural speech described the role of the Quality Improvement Secretariat in development of the National MPDR Guideline process. Dr SAJ Musa, Consultant UNFPA in his presentation described the global experience of Maternal and perinatal death review. Dr. Riad Mahmud, Health Specialist (Maternal and Newborn Health) from UNICEF presented on the MPDR implementing experience in Bangladesh. Dr Aminul Hasan, Deputy Director, Health Economics Unit and the Focal person, QIS then discussed and finalized the 3 working groups for specific areas for developing the National MPDR Guidelines and shared their TORs.

BENAP consultation workshop

Date: August 29 and August 30, 2015  
Venue: BRAC CDM

Quality Improvement Secretariat representatives attended the stakeholder’s consultation workshop on ‘Bangladesh Every newborn action plan’ development that was organized by IMCI, DGHS on the 29th and 30th August, 2015. In that workshop there was discussion on different areas of the draft planning with participation of different stakeholders. At the end of the 2 days consultation workshop, the priority interventions and its scale-up planning for ‘Bangladesh Every Newborn Action Plan’ were finalized. The recent quality initiatives by the MoHFW were identified, discussed and necessary linkage was incorporated in the BENAP planning.
**Jhenaidah Hospital Visit**

**Date:** August 01, 2015  |  **Venue:** Jhenaidah District Hospital

On August 01, 2015 Dr. Harun or Rashid (Consultant, QIS) visited Jhenaidah Sadar Hospital to validate recently formed Work Improvement Teams (WIT), 5S implementation activities and its monitoring system, hospital MIS activities, adverse event registry etc. He met with all 16 Work Improvement teams and discussed on 5S activities. He also updated on ongoing process of development of monitoring indicators at national level. Meanwhile, he shared some reading materials on 5S monitoring process. He also explored the hospital MIS system discussed about the feasibility of introducing adverse event registry. The hospital staffs shared their views on relevant issues.

**Orientations of 5S-CQI-TQM at ‘Sarkari Kormochari Hospital’ & ‘Mugda Medical College Hospital’ of Dhaka city**

**Date:** August 5, August 8 and August 12, 2015  
**Venues:** Sarkari Kormochari Hospital, Mugda Medical College Hospital

Dr. Harun Or Rashid, Consultant, QIS along with Medical officers (Dr. Md. Nazmul Haque, Dr. Md. Anwar Sadat and Dr. Pranab Kumar Roy) visited few hospitals of Dhaka city to orient the staffs of the hospital about 5S implementation process. Moreover, the team also oriented the hospital staffs on the concept of quality and quality improvement and monitoring indicators.

**TAG meeting**

**Date:** August 19, 2015  |  **Venue:** Quality Improvement Secretariat

The objective of the TAG meeting was to discuss on ‘Monitoring and Evaluation Framework’ for Health Service Delivery system.

Dr. Aminul Hasan, Deputy Director, Health Economics Unit and focal person of QIS facilitated the meeting and initiated discussion on facility level indicators. The TAG members exchanged their opinions on different indicators. Dr Harun-Or-Rashid, Consultant, QIS presented on outline of Monitoring & Evaluation framework. The participants discussed on level-wise formation of different teams and their mode of work.