Bitte verbreiten: Fragebogen zu direkten und indirekten Auswirkungen der COVID-19-Pandemie auf die Gesundheit und das Wohlergehen von Kindern in low- and middle-income settings

Liebe Mitglieder des GHHG, liebe Interessierte,


Was aber ist mit den Auswirkungen auf die Gesundheit und das Wohlergehen von Kindern? Von welchen direkten und indirekten Folgen sind sie betroffen? Wie ist die Lage vor allem in Ländern mit weniger Ressourcen?

Dazu haben wir, die Arbeitsgruppe „Global Child Health“ des GHHG, einen Fragenbogen entwickelt, der sich an PartnerInnen vor Ort richtet. Ziel ist es, die Antworten als Erfahrungsberichte den Mitgliedern des GHHG und gegebenenfalls auch einer breiteren Öffentlichkeit zur Verfügung zu stellen. Dadurch soll dieses Thema mehr Aufmerksamkeit erhalten.

Sind Sie selbst gerade im angesprochenen Kontext tätig oder kennen Sie geeignete Kontaktpersonen? Wenn ja, bitten wir Sie den Fragebogen weiterzuleiten. Wir wünschen uns ein breites Spektrum an Antworten.

Sie finden den Fragebogen im Anhang. Bitte senden sie diesen per E-Mail an Ihre Kontaktpersonen.

Als Einführung können Sie den folgenden Text verwenden:

How does Covid-19 affect the health and wellbing of children?

Dear xxx

This is a short enquiry of our working group “Global Child Health” of the Global Health Hub Germany on how the Covid-19-pandemic affects the wellbeing of children worldwide, especially in low- and middle-income countries. I would like to invite you to participate and answer the three questions below.

Thank you very much in advance,

YYY

Bitten Sie Ihre Kontaktpersonen die Fragen bis 30.5.2020 zu beantworten und per E-Mail immer auch an info@globalhealthhub.de zu schicken.

Wir bedanken uns im Voraus vielmals für Ihre Unterstützung! Für Fragen sind wir unter info@globalhealthhub.de immer gerne erreichbar.

Das Koordinationsteam der AG Global Child Health
Please spread the word: Questionnaire on direct and indirect effects of the COVID 19 pandemic on the health and well-being of children in low- and middle-income settings

Dear members of the GHHG, dear interested parties,

The COVID-19 pandemic affects the lives of millions of children and families worldwide. However, international discussions often focus only on adults, testing methods, intensive care, protective masks and the economic impact, especially in high-income settings.

But what about the impact on the health and well-being of children? What are the direct and indirect consequences? What is the situation especially in countries with fewer resources?

For this purpose, we, the GHHG's working group "Global Child Health", have developed a questionnaire that is aimed at local partners. The aim is to make the answers available as field reports to the members of the GHHG and, where appropriate, to a wider public. In this way, this topic should receive more attention.

Are you yourself active in the context of the topic or do you know suitable contact persons? If so, please forward the questionnaire to them. We would like to receive a wide range of answers.

You will find the questionnaire in the appendix. Please send it by e-mail to your contact persons.

You can use the following text as an introduction:

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Please ask your contact persons to answer the questions by May 30th 2020 and always send them by e-mail to info@globalhealthhub.de.

Thank you very much in advance for your support! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at info@globalhealthhub.de.

The coordination team of the AG Global Child Health
How does the COVID-19 pandemic affect the health and wellbeing of children, directly and indirectly?

The Global Health Hub Germany (GHHG) is a network that aims to bring together all actors interested and active in Global Health https://www.globalhealthhub.de/en/content/about-hub. We have recently formed a working group within the Hub to establish a discussion forum addressing child health and well-being.

The COVID-19 pandemic affects the life of millions of children and families worldwide. However, discussions often focus around adults only, the testing, intensive care, masks, ventilators, and the economy, mostly in well-resourced settings.

How does the pandemic affect daily life of children, directly and indirectly?

We would like to hear testimonies from your countries. What is the situation of children at your place of work and living? How do the changes COVID-19 brings affect the health and well-being of children around you?

We would like to collect your contributions and produce a short synthesis covering your answers to the three questions below. We feel this could raise awareness for the current challenges children are facing and we are planning to share these international experiences among the members of the Hub, and perhaps a wider audience.

Questions:

1. Does the response to COVID-19 affect the health care services for children? If yes, in what way?  
   *(For example: does it show effects on risk groups, e.g. children with immune suppression, the availability and costs of medical services and equipment, drugs, vaccines, increase in violent injuries, mental health, mortality etc.?)*

2. Does the response to COVID-19 affect the situation of children in the household and family? If yes, in what way?  
   *(For example: does it show an impact on child labour, child marriage, sexual abuse, domestic violence, loss of parents and caregivers, impoverishment, psychological situation etc.?)*

3. Does the response to COVID-19 affect the availability and/or quality of education of children? If yes, in what way?
Additional Question:

- Can you share any experiences or actions of the community, local or national government, that you think are effective in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic and to its impact on the health and well-being of children in your setting?

Thank you for answering our questions.

We kindly ask you to answer the questions above by May 30, 2020 via email to info@globalhealthhub.de. Please include as much detail as possible. Feel free to add any material that might be of interest.

In order to contextualise your information, we would like to mention your profession (or current field of work) and country (e.g. nurse, Ghana). If you want us to mention your name, please tick here.

☐ yes, I want you to mention my Name:

Please let us know if we could contact you for further questions. In addition, we would like to invite you to discuss your answers in an online meeting within our working group, if possible.

Kind regards,

The Team of the working group “Global Child Health”