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incentives through the country's Performance-Based Financing scheme.

Senegal's community-owned cases de santé (health huts) have been providing treatment for diarrhea and malaria since the 1950s. With the integration of other services, such as pneumonia diagnosis and treatment, a full iCCM package is now offered as part of the community health services.

## Research Activities

For this research award, MSH will carry out the following activities:

- Develop an iCCM Cost and Financing Model prototype and an accompanying user's guide.
- Conduct research in three countries to inform, develop, adapt and refine the tool; collect data; and get feedback from key stakeholders.
- Field test the model in one or two additional countries, with only remote technical assistance to ensure the usability of the tool.
- Finalize the model, user's guide, and data collection instruments.
- Disseminate the model and results, develop a report for publication, and provide follow-up support to new tool users.

The model will allow users to understand the costs and financing needs and options of iCCM support, supervision, and management from community to central levels. The model will use estimates of needs for services and resources to calculate future costs. Costs of start-up and continuing costs of iCCM programs, including personnel, supplies, and drugs, will be incorporated into the model. The results and analysis will facilitate implementation, scale-up, and maintenance of CCM activities.

## Research Applications

The model and guidelines will be published in English and French, and will be disseminated through the TRAction website, CCM toolkits, and various presentations to global planners and managers of maternal and child health programs. The tool will be used to support the development of Global Fund concept notes in applications for funds to support iCCM programs. MSH will hold a workshop to promote adoption of the model, and remotely support users of the model.

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### TRAction Project Overview

The Translating Research into Action (TRAction) Project, funded by the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), funds studies to develop, test, and compare approaches to more effectively deliver health interventions, increase utilization, achieve coverage, and scale-up evidence-based interventions for priority health problems. Through implementation research, the TRAction Project addresses "know-do" gaps, or delays between discovery of effective ways to combat the causes of poor health and the application of these proven interventions on a wide scale. TRAction research aims to close these "know-do" gaps so that each country's Millennium Development Health Goals can be met in the targeted timeframes. TRAction emphasizes local ownership and partnerships in order to scale up equitable and sustainable efforts to "do what works."

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