

Risk Benefit of Micronutrient Interventions

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Have the activities to be undertaken been modified since the original proposal? If so, please provide brief overview and justification.

Current work has been completed. We are now considering future directions and would value input from IUNS Council. It is very difficult to continue without some funding to support the evidence gathering and programming needed for this work. Potential ideas include multiple micronutrients in pregnancy, and vitamin A supplementation in infants.

Brief overview of Activities since last annual report

The taskforce have completed a global analysis of risk-benefit of micronutrient interventions, which has now been published in Lancet Global Health. This paper provides risk benefit and cost effectiveness data for universal MNPs in 78 countries. It includes individual reports for each country, helping policymakers make local decisions.

Please list any successes accomplished during this period (aligned with proposed measures of success from original proposal, or include justification for modifications)

Publication of impactful paper in Lancet Global Health (See attached).

Please mention your plans for the coming year and how they have been adapted based on success to date (if appropriate).

At this stage, we are seeking input into new ideas for further projects in this space, including funding opportunities to support the activities. It would be feasible to provide our model for other investigators or partners interested in modelling their own interventions or data.