

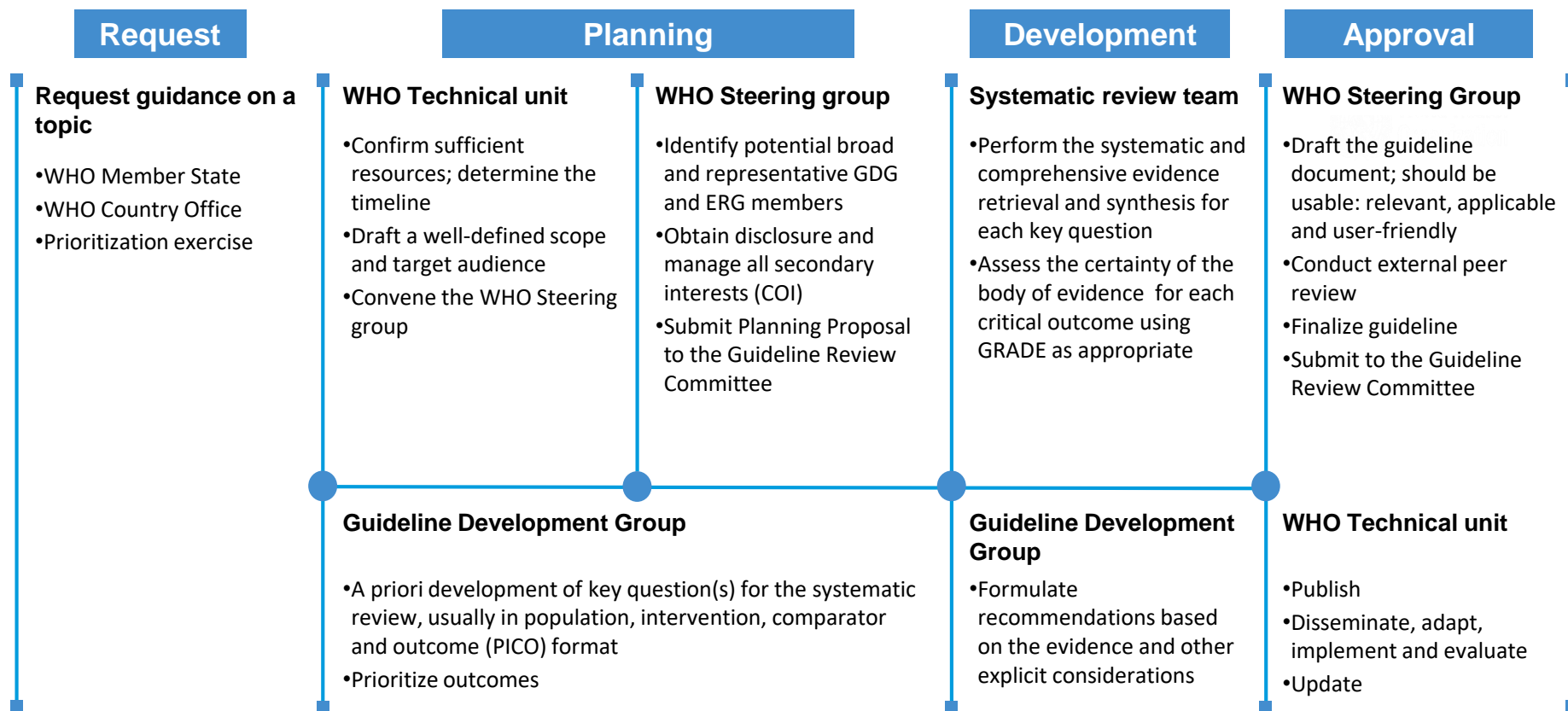
Development of guideline on wasting

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ENN/ECF/WHO Webinar on the WHO Guideline Development
Process

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WHO guideline development process



Request for wasting guideline

- UN Call for Action on Wasting and WHO's normative role to develop and update guidance on wasting (July 2019);
- Global Action Plan on Child Wasting and WHO HQ's mandate (Feb.2020)

Planning for the wasting guideline

- Funding received
- Additional human resources are being hired (e.g. additional position for technical support and a methodologist)

Planning - Establishment of groups

WHO Steering Committee

- WHO Steering Group convened (core group – NFS and MCA)
- Wider WHO Group meeting planned (including NCD, Health Systems, CD, Emergencies)

Guideline Development Group (GDG)

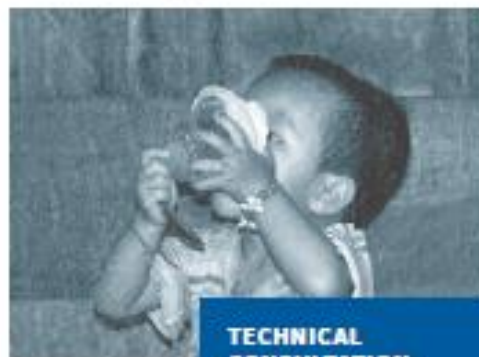
- Potential list will be discussed with the Steering Committee;
- All COI (conflict of interests) and confidentially disclosures still have to be obtained and managed accordingly
- GDG group to be published online together with DOI for any comments

Scoping the guideline on wasting - Topics

Technical consultation:
*Prevention and treatment of
wasting - Gaps in guidance
and way forward to a
holistic approach in bringing
children back to healthy
growth.* WHO, Geneva, Dec.
2019

MEETING REPORT

Prevention and treatment of wasting
Gaps in guidance and way forward
to a holistic approach in bringing children
back to healthy growth



TECHNICAL
CONSULTATION



Scoping the guideline on wasting – Topics for discussion at GDG meeting

- Identification, diagnosis and recovery of children with wasting;
- Treatment of children with wasting (moderate and severe wasting);
- Management of infants less than 6 months of age;
- Prevention/reduction: population-based approaches and individual child-centred targeted approaches

Scoping the guideline on wasting - Topics

- Updating existing guidelines
- Filling gaps in guidance

- Individual clinical management
- Population-based recommendations
- Operational modality for delivery of care

Scoping the guideline – Background papers

Scoping background reviews commissioned - Call for authors published – Deadline for submission 27 September 2020

- Prevention of wasting in infants and children
- Moderate wasting in children aged 6 months and older
- Severe wasting and oedema in children above 6 months of age
- Growth failure in infants younger than 6 months

Preliminary search of published and grey literature such as existing systematic reviews, studies (both published and ongoing) and other relevant documents.

Scoping the guideline – GDG Meeting

- 1st GDG meeting – Scoping meeting – November 2020
- Development of PICO questions
- Outcomes will be rated (critical for decision-making, important but not critical, unimportant)
- Finalization of the list in order of priority (GDG and Steering Group)

Development phase of wasting guideline

- Commissioning the systematic reviews based on PICO's developed (call for authors for the systematic reviews) – December 2020
- Systematic reviews completed – August 2021
- Guideline Development meeting(s) based on the workstreams – October/November 2021

Approval/publishing phase of wasting guideline

- Guideline document (with recommendations) drafted – December 2021
- External peer review conducted – January 2022
- Submission of guideline to Guideline Review Committee for clearance – February 2022

Development of derivatives/tools on clinical care and wasting programming

- Operational guidance (update manual)
- Update training package on severe wasting
- Policy briefs
- Working with governments on uptake of recommendations – updating national policies and protocols on wasting and integration of evidence-informed prevention and treatment interventions into national platforms

