Developing Part Two of the Community Action Plan: Action Goals

In Task 7-1, you assembled and organized all of the research you have already completed. It is one thing to do research and another to set local goals to help people take action on that research. It will be important to use the information you collected to figure what your future actions will be to help address the problem question: How can we ensure health for all from mosquito-borne diseases?

There are many possible solutions to this question. This is why we must now develop action goals for what to do next.

Objective

In this task, the team will assemble the second part of their community action plan. This part involves developing actions you think people should begin taking in the community to address the problem question.

1. Go to the Task 7-2 folder to read the details about assembling part two of the action plan: Action Goals. There is only one version of this task.

2. Read through the details of the second part of the action plan again as a team. Ask questions about any parts that are not clear. Remember not to worry.

3. Use all of the work you have completed up to this point to assemble and organize this part of your action plan for the community.

Hooray! You completed Task 7-2. Check it off the task list. Go to Task 7-3!
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The team will continue developing your action plan. Overall, this action plan will outline how you will address and communicate the problem question: How can we ensure health for all from mosquito-borne diseases?

The Community Action Plan will have three parts. Tasks 7-1, 7-2, and 7-3 will help you complete each part of the plan.

1. Task 7-1: Research area background, evidence collected, integrated management plan developed (This part involves organizing what you have already completed during your research.)
2. Task 7-2: Action goals (This part involves figuring out what you will do now, after your research is completed.)
3. Task 7-3: Communication strategy (This part involves telling people about your research, action goals, and plan.)

This task will focus on assembling the action goals of the Community Action Plan. This involves developing the actions you think people should begin taking to address the problem question in your community. Complete the following, based on the research you have conducted.

It is one thing to have an integrated management plan and another to set local goals to help people act on that plan. For example, part of your plan could be to empty the water from all containers in an area. Another part of the plan could be to educate various people in your community about the problem. Setting local action goals will help you determine what actions need to be taken now and in the future, who is responsible for taking them, and how the actions will be monitored to determine their effectiveness over time.

1. Develop a list of action goals that could be carried out by various people in your community to work toward different parts of your integrated management plan. Consider the following when creating your action goals: What type of action is needed and what is the action meant to address? Provide a description of the action. Some examples include:
   a. Education action goals: Create and hand out brochures to educate the community about mosquitoes. This action will increase local knowledge and actions of community members concerning mosquitoes and mosquito management.
   b. Advocacy action goals: Create posters to advocate for a group of people at risk from mosquitoes. Write letters to local officials and community leaders concerning mosquitoes and the effect on different people and groups in your community.
   c. Physical action goals: Conduct weekly monitoring of your research site for standing water where mosquitoes could breed. This action will reduce the
number of possible breeding sites mosquitoes can use in the community. Document and remove any standing water found in the site every week throughout the year.

d. Be creative and develop your own goals for your community!

2. Who is responsible for the action: yourself, team member, team, specific community member(s), all community members?

3. Action schedule or timeline: When and how often does the action need to take place?

4. Action monitoring: How will the action goals be documented or monitored over time to determine their effectiveness? How will you determine whether the action is working effectively? Create a strategy to monitor these goals over time.

5. Order the actions: If you have a list of action goals, which ones would you recommend be done first, second, and third? Create an order for all of your actions, so the team knows where to start.