

Community Health Revolving Fund: Equity fund for Mother Care and Child Survival (MCCS)

Department: Community Health Sciences Department

Project Sponsors: Aga Khan Foundation, Pakistan

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Background: The Aga Khan Foundation (AKF) in Canada executed three years Mother Care and Child Survival (MCCS) project to improve the maternal and child health in the target areas. One of the components of the project was the development of a pro-poor financing mechanism to provide financial protection against out-of-pocket health expenditure shocks to avail MNCH services.

Primary Objectives: To develop a healthcare financing mechanism for ultra-poor in four project implementation districts in Gilgit-Baltistan region.

Methods: Mixed methods.

Research Impact\Expected outcome\Result: A model of healthcare financing for the ultra-poor has been developed and under implementation in Gilgit, Hunza-Nagar, Astore and Ghizer districts of Gilgit-Baltistan region.