Human Resource Management Systems- Health Systems and Integrated Architecture Approach

Workshop on Health Information Architecture: Design, Implementation and Evaluation

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Session Objectives

- To understand Human Resource Management within Health Systems Approach
- To learn about Human Resources Information System and its benefits
- To understand and identify few key HRM indicators

Human Resource Management includes

absence management, benefits administration, compensation management, employee and Manager selfservice, e-Recruiting, human resources, payroll, time and attendance, performance management, scheduling and staffing



Accurate and timely data is vital for success of any HR Information System

Six Building Blocks of Health Systems Strengthening

OVERALL GOALS / OUTCOMES



SYSTEM BUILDING BLOCKS



Source: 'Everybody's Business: Strengthening Health Systems to improve Health Outcomes, WHO, 2007

What is a Human Resources Information System (HRIS)?

- An HRIS provides health sector leaders and managers with the information needed to assess HR problems, plan effective interventions and evaluate those interventions.
- An HRIS can be as simple as a filing cabinet of paper personnel files or as complex as a multi-database system with the capacity to analyze workforce problems and possible solutions.
- The strength of an HRIS does not depend on technology but on its ability to generate information that is accurate and timely and to be adapted to address new HRH issues.

Good Health Worker Data is Needed for...



place, right skills, right time

Health Worker Data and other Health Information Systems

Knowledge Management and Decision Support



Linking Systems reveals Supply and Demand



An HR Information System for Health can be built using an appropriate tool

Human Resource Management Software Tools

Sage Abra HRMS



SAP ERP



Lawson HRM



Oracle's PeopleSoft HRM software



Microsoft Dynamics GP



IntraHealth International, Inc.



OrangeHRM – Free and Open Source HRM Suit

How to Assess Relative Strength of HR Management Software?

Few Important Parameters are:

- User Friendly Interface
- Training Documents and Support
- Integration and Scalability of HR Processes/ Modules
- Software Technology Used
- Cost effectiveness of HRMS software



An Example of HRMIS Strengthening Process

The HRIS development and strengthening process is comprised of **five key stages** using a participatory approach.



Data Quality

Six Dimensions

- **Complete** not missing any key ingredients
- Timely ingredients are still fresh
- **Consistent** components always in same place
- Accurate all ingredients labeled correctly
- Precise ingredients always labeled the same
- Relevant following the right recipe
 - If baking cake, don't follow recipe for pie crust

Data Quality

Challenges & Issues

- Data integrity, accuracy and support systems
- Sensitivity
- What happens when people don't like the data?
- What happens when data doesn't fit an organizational plan?

What can we do?

• Quality controls built into HRIS software

Numbers Fields: fields that require numerical data (dates, license numbers, phone numbers, etc.) should only contain numerical data. Any letters entered into these fields will cause inaccuracies in reporting. For this reason, "other" or "n/a" should never be entered into cells that require numerical data.

<u>First Name</u>: Capitalize the first letter of the person's first name. Only the first name should be entered in this cell.

Common entry errors:

- the person's entire name (first name and surname) is entered in this cell. Example: Sanjay Devi (incorrect) Sanjay (correct)
- the person's name is not capitalized correctly (example: sanjay)
- Field is left blank

Block, District, State:

A standard list of spellings of blocks, districts, and states must be compiled. Options for these fields should be limited to the approved list.

Common errors:

- The same block is spelled multiple ways
- The same district is spelled multiple ways
- Translations from English to Hindi must be consistent and translations from Hindi to English must be consistent (example: Purbi Champaran and East Champaran)
- Field is left blank

<u>Current Designation Classification</u>: A standard list of designation should be available to choose from.

• Consistent capitalization, spelling, and formatting should be applied to this field.

Common Errors:

ANM mentioned as, Grade 2, Grade 3, Grade 4 ASHA, Grade "2", Grade 3, Grade 4 Field left blank

HRIS Benefits

- Identify HR requirements for programmes
- Improve the accuracy and availability of HRH data
- Identify health facilities with HR vacancy
- Map health facilities as per IPHS norms
- Track people as they move through the health workforce system
- Quickly aggregate and use data at different levels
- Report and analyze data regularly
- Contingency plan for retirement
- Project workforce needs into the future

Human Resources Management Information System

http://ihrisdemo.hispindia.org

Thank You



