



The FSN Network is an open community of practice working to strengthen food security in households and communities through knowledge sharing and collaboration for improved programming and implementation.



Upcoming Events

[First International Conference on Global Food Security](#)

Elsevier, Sept. 29 - Oct. 2, 2013,
Noordwijkerhout, The Netherlands

[Workshop on Preventing Malnutrition In Children Under 2 Approach:](#)

FANTA, CRS, IFPRI, Mercy Corps, Food for Peace; Oct. 10, 2013, 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM; WDC

[TOPS Meeting on Programmatic Elements within the PM2A](#)

[Approach](#): TOPS, Oct. 11, 2013, 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM; WDC

[The Art of Facilitation:](#)

Global Learning Partners; Oct. 10 - 11, 2013; Raleigh, NC

[CORE Group Fall Meeting:](#)

CORE Group, Oct. 16 - 17, 2013; WDC

[Agricultural Resilience and Disaster Risk Management Training:](#)

TOPS, Oct. 21 - 24, 2013; Kampala, Uganda

[Minimum Economic Recovery Standards General Practitioner](#)

[Training](#): SEEP Network, Oct. 29 - 30, 2013; WDC

[Course: Agriculture Nutrition Linkages:](#)

FSN Network News

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There are many ways to participate in the FSN Network:

- Join an [online community](#) to share questions with peers
- Attend a technical [knowledge sharing meeting](#)
- Access tools from our [resource library](#)
- Follow daily news from the FSN Network on [Twitter](#) or [Facebook](#)

Registration Now Open: FSN Network Knowledge Sharing Meeting *November 18 - 20, 2013 Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso*

Come together with implementers, donors, and researchers for peer learning, knowledge sharing, and networking around food security and nutrition program implementation in Francophone countries.

This meeting seeks to strengthen collaboration between food security and nutrition implementing partners across sectors, organizations, and funding sources, while providing a platform for discussion of new evidence and recommendations relevant to food security and nutrition programming and opportunities for exchange of ideas and problem solving around issues of common concern.

Potential topics include resilience in action, conflict management and mitigation, linking humanitarian and development efforts, measuring resilience, climate change adaptation, social and behavior change, operationalizing gender integration, fraud prevention and accountability in commodity management, agriculture, and nutrition program delivery.

Register [here](#). ([En Français](#))

Featured Event: Workshop on Preventing Malnutrition in Children under 2 (PM2A) Approach *Thursday, October 10, 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM Holiday Inn Capitol, 550 C Street SW, Washington DC*

The Food and Nutrition Technical Assistance III Project (FANTA), CRS, IFPRI and Mercy Corps, with support from the USAID Office of Food for Peace (USAID/FFP), are organizing a one-day workshop to update the Title II community on on-going programs and research to investigate impactful and cost effective approaches for maternal and child health Title II programming.

The workshop will include:

- Presentations about the PM2A programs implemented by CRS

Wageningen UR Centre for Development Innovation, Nov. 18 - 29, 2013; Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

[FSN Network Knowledge Sharing Meeting](#): FSN Network, Nov. 18 - 20, 2013; Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso

[Course on Food Security & Grain Storage](#): MASHAV, CINADCO, Agricultural Research Organization; Dec. 2 - 17, 2013; Tel Aviv, Israel

[Cracking the Nut Africa: Improving Rural Livelihoods and Food Security](#): Global Communities, AZMJ, USAID; Jan. 13 - 15, 2013, Kigali, Rwanda

Online Discussions

[Building Relationships for Effective CHW Scale-Up: The One Million CHW Campaign](#) from CHW Central

[Barrier Analysis Spreadsheet - Too many responses!](#) from FSN Network

Did You Know?

Global Health: Science and Practice published a study that explores the challenges of and lessons learned from a study of the commodity management pipeline in the first USAID food development program in South Sudan. View the study [here](#).

New Publications, Guides & Tools

[Total Iron Absorption by Young Women from Iron-Biofortified Pearl Millet Composite Meals Is](#)

- and Mercy Corps in Burundi and Guatemala
- Results from the baseline survey in Burundi and enrollment survey in Guatemala and from the first round of process evaluation in both countries
- A panel discussion to address the topic of program-research partnerships
- A participatory session to explore various programmatic and implementation aspects of the PM2A
- A USAID/FFP-led discussion on the MCHN/Prevention of Malnutrition section of the FY 2014 RFA guidance for Title II development programs

Register [here](#).

Featured Event: TOPS Meeting on Programmatic Elements within the PM2A Approach

Friday, October 11, 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM
Save the Children, 2000 L Street NW, Washington DC

Following the PM2A workshop, the TOPS Program will facilitate a meeting among the food security and nutrition community for additional in-depth discussion of some of the programmatic elements within the over-arching PM2A approach. This meeting will bring together the PVO Title II implementing community and field staff from the CRS and Mercy Corps programs to further explore elements which are common within all maternal and child nutrition programs, such as targeting messages, including other persons of influence, the benefits of peer support, counseling through home visits, etc.

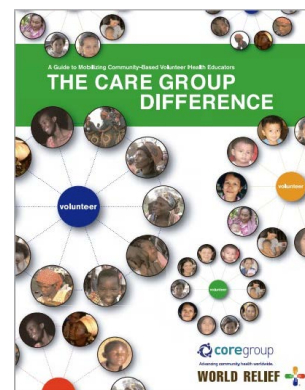
Please RSVP to Melissa Teuber at mteuber@savethechildren.org by September 30th. Lunch will be served; please inform Melissa of any dietary restrictions or requests.

NOTE: Registration is limited and will be proportionally and equitably distributed among implementing organizations within the Title II community. Participants should be those responsible for the implementation of project activities and/or building the capacity of field staff for effective action and impact in maternal and child nutrition.

Featured Information Resource: Care Group Difference Guide

The [Care Group Difference Guide](#), developed by World Relief, explores the evidence base for the Care Group model, offers criteria to assist project managers in determining the feasibility of using this approach within their own programs and provides a step-by-step guide for starting and sustaining care groups.

Find more tools and references for implementers at www.fsnnetwork.org.



Job Postings

- [Senior Knowledge Sharing Specialist-TOPS Program](#) based in

[Double That from Regular Millet Meals but Less Than That from Post-Harvest Iron-Fortified Millet Meals](#) from The Journal of Nutrition

[The Future of Agriculture: Synthesis of an Online Debate](#) from Oxfam International

[Urban Malnutrition: a Review of Food Security and Nutrition Among the Urban Poor](#) from NutritionWorks

[West African Agriculture and Climate Change](#) from IFPRI

[How Do Different Indicators of Household Food Security Compare? Empirical Evidence from Tigray](#) from the Feinstein International Center

Articles

[Using an Evidence-based Approach to Design Large-Scale Programs to Improve Infant and Young Child Feeding](#) from Food and Nutrition Bulletin

[Bringing Rigor to Evaluations of Large-scale Programs to Improve Infant and Young Child Feeding and Nutrition: The Evaluation Designs for the Alive & Thrive Initiative](#) from Food and Nutrition Bulletin

[Africa Shouldn't Take GM Crops Lightly, but Neither Can It Ignore Their Potential](#) from The Guardian

[Why Fish Farming Can Help People Living with HIV in Liberia](#) from The

WDC with CORE Group

- [Senior Specialist, Food Assistance](#) based in WDC with Save the Children
- [Chief of Party - Agriculture](#) based in Nigeria with Catholic Relief Services
- [Household Food Consumption Indicators Study Data Analysis Consultancy](#) based in WDC with Food and Nutrition Technical Assistance III Project (FANTA)/FHI360
- [Senior Technical Advisor, Suaahara - Integrated Nutrition Program \(INP\)](#) based in Nepal with Helen Keller International
- [Technical Advisor for Emergency Food and Nutrition](#) based in Atlanta with CARE
- [LIFT II Technical Director](#) based in WDC with FHI 360
- [Technical Advisor I, Food Security & Livelihoods](#) based in WDC with FHI 360
- [Senior Technical Advisor, HIV Programs](#) based in Africa with FHI 360
- [Nutrition and Non-communicable Diseases \(NCD\) Specialist \(Technical Advisor I\), FANTA III](#) based in WDC with FHI 360
- [Nutrition and Infectious Diseases Advisor, FANTA III Project](#) based in WDC with FHI 360
- [Monitoring & Evaluation Associate, FANTA III](#) based in WDC with FHI 360
- [Research Fellow](#) based in London with London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine - London International Development Centre

Funding and Other Opportunities

- The TOPS Program has two types of grants available through its Small Grants Program: Micro Grants (maximum per award \$50,000) and Program Improvement Award (PIA) (maximum per award \$100,000). Both grants are awarded on a rolling basis. For more information, visit fsnnetwork.org.
- The Islamic Development Bank (IDB)'s Prize for Women's Contribution to Development is seeking nominations. The theme is "Women's Contribution to Food Security." The Prize consists of a cash award of \$50,000 for an individual woman and \$100,000 for an NGO. The deadline for nominations is September 30, 2013. For more information, visit the [IDB website](#).
- The CGIAR Independent Science and Partnership Council's Standing Panel on Impact Assessment (SPIA) is soliciting brief concept notes from any organization or individual interested in undertaking an activity or a set of activities aimed at building capacity within the CGIAR for conducting ex-post impact assessment of agricultural research. The deadline is October 15, 2013. View more information [here](#).

Guardian

[Analysis: Sanitizing the Truth - When WASH Fails](#) from IRIN

If you are not already on our e-mail list, sign-up [here](#). We welcome news of events, tools, trainings, country updates and other content from the broad FSN Network community. Please send any suggested content to commentsfsn@gmail.com.

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