# Cost-Effectiveness of MMS verses IFAs during Pregnancy



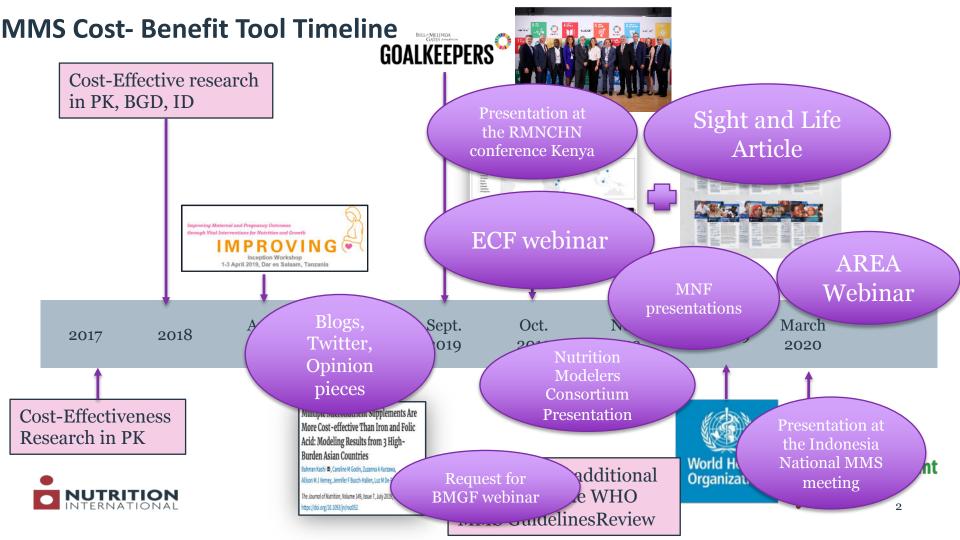
at the heart of Multiple Micronutrient Supplementation

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### **Evidence: Cost-Effectiveness (1)**

Multiple Micronutrient Supplements Are More Cost-effective Than Iron and Folic Acid: Modeling Results from 3 High-Burden Asian Countries

Bahman Kashi , Caroline M Godin, Zuzanna A Kurzawa, Allison M J Verney, Jennifer F Busch-Hallen, Luz M De-Regil

*The Journal of Nutrition*, Volume 149, Issue 7, July 2019, Pages 1222–1229, https://doi.org/10.1093/jn/nxz052 The need remains for country-driven knowledge translation and advocacy to demonstrate the cost-effectiveness of MMS.

ANNALS OF THE NEW YORK ACADEMY OF SCIENCES Special Issue: Multiple Micronutrient Supplementation in Pregnancy ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Replacing iron-folic acid with multiple micronutrient supplements among pregnant women in Bangladesh and Burkina Faso: costs, impacts, and cost-effectiveness

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# What is the MMS Cost-Benefit Tool?

A simple tool to answer a single policy question: Is MMS better value for money than IFAS?

### **Purpose:**

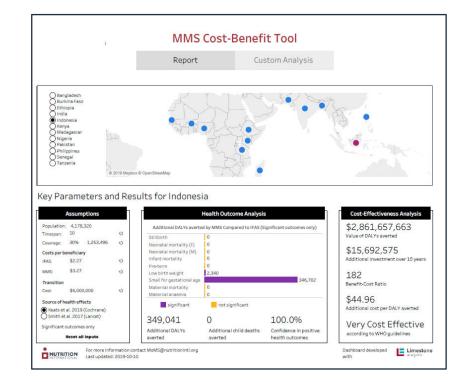
To support the knowledge translation of economic evidence on IFAS and MMS for countries' decisionand policy-makers

### What's unique?

- Simplicity, user-friendly, online
- Evidence-based but rapid
- Timely

### - Dynamic





# **Analytical Capacity**

- Comparison based on effect sizes from Smith 2017 / Keats 2019 systematic reviews
- The tool estimates the impact of MMS compared to IFAS for all significant health outcomes and calculates budget impact, cost-effectiveness, and return on investment.
- Currently for 12 countries in Africa and Asia and expanding in 2020



NutritionIntl.org/mms-cost-benefit-tool/

#### **1MS Cost-Benefit** Tool



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Recent evidence has encouraged low- and middle-income countries to consider transitioning from long-standing iron and folic acid supplementation

(IFAS) to multiple micronutrient supplementation (MMS) for antenatal care programs. However, global guidance to facilitate this transition is limited. This tool was developed to aid countries' decision-making. It uses a rigorous methodology to calculate the incremental benefits and costs of

transitioning from IFAS to MMS in various countries (Kashi et al., 2018).

Users can construct and test different scenarios by updating the assumptions within the tool or running a Custom Analysis. Up to eight health outcomes are included in the analysis, and aggregated using disability-adjusted life years (DALYs).

#### PLEASE NOTE:

1. The tool will time out if left idle for more than five minutes. Click the refresh symbol in the web-browser to reset. Please be aware the tool will return to default and you will lose any new data.

2. This page must be viewed in Chrome, Firefox, or Edge browsers for the tool to display below and is best viewed on desktop.

USER GUIDE	DATA SOURCES	POWERPOINT TEMPLATE
This guide provides an overview of the functionality of each section and guidance on interpreting the results.	This document provides the recommended data sources for each parameter in the tool.	This is a generic presentation template for communicating the results generated from the tool.

#### MMS Cost-Benefit Tool

Report





#### Key Parameters and Results for Bangladesh



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## Where to access this tool & resources:

- Dissemination and application in various contexts underway
- Tool, relevant materials and Policy briefs: <u>NutritionIntl.org/mms-cost-benefit-tool/</u>
- For more information contact: <u>MoMS@nutritionIntl.org</u>
- Interactive Learning Lab: Learning Center Micronutrient Forum



