

1st topic :TASK SHIFTING: 28 April - 8 May 2009

OBJECTIVES OF THE TASK SHIFTING DISCUSSION FORUM

- ❖ Share perspectives on the applicability of Task Shifting in different country situations
- ❖ Develop recommendations to inform policy/decision making
- ❖ Discuss lessons learnt & challenges faced from implementation of Task Shifting
- ❖ Suggestions for the Alliance's added value in finding solutions to critical gaps and imbalances to the health workforce crisis
- ❖ Compile an action oriented summary of the discussions for use at the country level
- ❖ Establish continual dialogue on Task Shifting

POINTS TO PONDER

- ❖ Can Task Shifting be used for more than ART and in more areas than HIV? TB? Malaria,? Primary Health Care?
- ❖ What's in a name? Has Task Shifting been around by other names?
- ❖ Can Task Shifting be a tool to ensure that service delivery occurs?
- ❖ Is Task Shifting a feasible strategy for addressing the health workforce shortage in resource constrained settings?

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