

COVID-19 Guidance Summary: Ensuring Continuity of Core Country Coordinating Mechanism Responsibilities

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The CCM's core responsibilities, including during the COVID-19 pandemic, are to ensure robust engagement and oversight of existing and emerging investments (per the [eligibility requirements](#)). While approaches may require shifts to more virtual tools and platforms, this governance work remains foundational to developing high impact funding requests, including the COVID-19 Response Mechanism (C19RM). **This guidance provides an overview of tools and other resources most relevant to CCMs and RCMs.**

- **Amplifying virtual convening:** The Global Fund continues sharing promising practices countries are already implementing to convene virtually. Guidance on "[Virtual Inclusive Dialogue](#)" includes options for low and higher bandwidth countries, with a focus on available, low or no cost platforms such as Facebook, WhatsApp, Zoom, Skype, etc.
- **Remaining responsive:** Flexibilities that allow countries with current Global Fund grants to meet immediate COVID-19 responses can be found on the [Grant Funding and Flexibilities page](#). This includes information on flexibilities for "[Country Dialogue and Human Rights](#)" such as accepting e-signatures and working with available documentation to finalize [eligibility and performance assessments](#). All updated guidance notes on COVID-19 related flexibilities can be found on the [Updates](#) page.
- **Leveraging existing resources:** A Q&A document on "[Supporting Countries and Grants during the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)" outlines increased flexibilities within CCM's annual funding agreement to reprogram resources.
- **Leveraging emerging resources:** The Global Fund created a COVID-19 Response Mechanism for countries to access funds that are in addition to the funding available through grant flexibilities. Information on the CCM's and RCM's role in coordinating and submitting Covid-19 Response Mechanism funding requests can be found on the [COVID-19 Response Mechanism page](#).

CCM Evolution

The Global Fund is currently reviewing its approach to CCM Evolution, a strategic initiative for 2020-2022. More information is on our [CCM Evolution](#) web page.

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