**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS**

**Pilot testing of a child protection indicator “module” for integration in multi-purpose cash assistance**

**Outline of pilot testing process**

**Background:** The Alliance for Child Protection in Humanitarian Action (the Alliance) is a global network of operational agencies, academic institutions, policymakers, donors and practitioners. It supports efforts to achieve high-quality and effective child protection interventions by setting standards and producing technical guidance applicable to all refugee and non-refugee humanitarian contexts. Within the Alliance there is a Working Group on Assessment, Measurement and Evidence (AME) and a Task Force on Cash Transfers and Child Protection.

**Purpose of the consultancy to develop a child protection “module”:** Together the Assessment, Measurement and Evidence (AME) Working Group and Cash Transfer and Child Protection Task Force are seeking ways to integrate child protection into multi-purpose cash monitoring frameworks. Humanitarian cash that aims to meet basic needs (sometimes called multi-purpose cash assistance, MPCA) is challenging to monitor because outcomes are possible across a wide range of sectors (e.g. food security and nutrition, livelihoods, WASH, shelter, health and education) including child protection. Any monitoring tool risks becoming too complex and long if each sector includes all desired indicators. However, if humanitarian cash captures data relating to child protection, cash actors will be able to minimise child protection risks and maximise child protection benefits.

**Development of a child protection “module”:** Based on recommendations made in a recent research [report](https://alliancecpha.org/en/system/tdf/library/attachments/cash_child_protection_final_lowres.pdf?file=1&type=node&id=33374) Save the Children is managing a project to develop and pilot test a “module” of child protection indicators. The module to be drafted would be similar in style and design to the existing [Women’s Refugee Commission gender-based violence module](https://www.womensrefugeecommission.org/issues/livelihoods/research-and-resources/1549-mainstreaming-gbv-considerations-in-cbis-and-utilizing-cash-in-gbv-response). The consultant hired to lead the drafting and pilot testing of the “module” is [Hannah Thompson](https://www.linkedin.com/in/hannah-thompson-15023414/).

**Pilot testing of the child protection indicator “module”:** The Cash Transfer and Child Protection Task Force is looking for agencies, organisation, or coordination groups in countries affected by humanitarian crises who are interested in participating in pilot testing the indicator “module” that will be drafted. Pilot testing will take place in one of two ways:

1. Hannah Thompson would visit *one country* to support a 7 day pilot testing process:

* Hannah would need to work with a team of staff – who have a range of skills in child protection, cash transfer programming and monitoring and evaluation.
* Hannah would train the team on the use of the tool (1/2 day workshop).
* Accompany teams in gathering data using the tool (5 days).
* Run a feedback workshop to gather the team’s feedback on the indicator “module” (1/2 day).

1. Hannah would provide distance support to a focal point and in-country-based team for them to independently use the indicator “module” and provide feedback using the pilot testing tools.

* Hannah would give the in-country pilot testing focal point briefings on the training workshop and indicator module.
* The in-country focal point would train the team of staff who would use the tool (1/2 day workshop).
* The in-country team would need to gather data using the tool (5 days). The focal point would observe the team as they used the tool.
* The in-country focal point would run a feedback workshop to gather feedback on the use of the indicator “module” from the team (1/2 day).
* The in-country focal point would provide feedback on the use of the tool to Hannah in writing or on an extended call.

**Selection criteria for pilot testing**

All those wishing to engage in the pilot testing – either hosting the consultant or using the tools independently, need to meet the following criteria:

* Have staff capacity in child protection, cash transfer programming, and monitoring and evaluation.
* Have existing in-country programming that uses multi-purpose cash assistance that has been operational for over a year.
* Be based in humanitarian settings – responding to refugee or non-refugee crises.

Those wishing to host Hannah Thompson would in addition need to be able to:

* Ensure **safe access** to sites of operation for Hannah Thompson (a British national).
* Provide **interpretation** if work will be carried out in languages other than English or French (Hannah is able to work in both English and French).
* Able to host a 7-8 day visit in **March 2020**.

**Application process:**

Those interested in taking part in the pilot testing process should complete the following form by 10 December 2019 and e-mail it to Lauren Murray at L.Murray@savethechildren.org.uk.

The Cash Transfer and Child Protection Task force will review all applications and get back to countries by the 19th of December.

**Pilot testing application form:**

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| **Your name:** |  |
| **Name of your agency or organisation:** |  |
| **Your job title:** |  |
| **E-mail address:** |  |
| **Country where you are based:** |  |
| **Country where the tools would be pilot tested (if different):** |  |

**Application on behalf of:**

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| *Please describe the coordination group, organisation or agency who will lead on supporting the pilot testing process. (50 words or less)* |

**Context where pilot testing would take place:**

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| *Please describe the humanitarian context in which you are operating. Is it a refugee, non-refugee context, what form of crises has occurred, are populations in camps, host communities, or mobile. (100 words or less)* |

**Monitoring and evaluation capacity:**

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| *Please describe the humanitarian context in which you are operating. Is it a refugee, non-refugee context, what form of crises has occurred, are populations in camps, host communities, or mobile. (100 words or less)* |

**Pilot testing team:**

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| *Please describe the nature of the team who would be able to support the pilot testing. Gender, language skills, any relevant aspects relating to diversity – such as belonging to specific population groups. (100 words or less)* |

**Any access issues relating to security or physical terrain:**

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| *Please describe any challenges in accessing the programming sites – either in relation to security, visa requirements, or physical issues. (100 words or less)* |

**Language of pilot testing:**

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| *Please state the language or languages that would be used to carry out the pilot testing.* |

**Please describe the multi-purpose cash assistance, MPCA, programme that this work would be monitoring:**

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| *Please give details of the objectives and duration of the MPCA and any monitoring and evaluation tools that have been used to date. (500 words or less)* |

**Please describe the capacity of the team who would be supporting the pilot-testing:**

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| *Please give details of the team’s experience in child protection, cash transfer programming, and monitoring and evaluation (specifically in running focus group discussions and key informant interviews for monitoring purposes). (500 words or less)* |

Please send completed application forms to L.Murray@savethechildren.org.uk by 10 December 2019.