

METS WATCH

Empowering Accountability and Impact: MakSPH-METS Initiates Evaluations for Positive Change



Dr. Alice Namale giving an overview and expectations of the writing workshop

The US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) established a Country Monitoring and Accountability System (CMAS) to identify country level challenges resulting from the rapid scale-up of public health programs. The CMAS recommends program evaluations for accountability of PEPFAR funds invested through CDC as a way of positively impacting the population. The program evaluations are guided by the Evaluation and Performance Monitoring Plans (EPMPs).

The respective program leads at MOH, CDC-Uganda, and METS embarked on a protocol development process during a 5- day writing retreat that was held at **Serena Hotel Kigo**, from **August 8-12, 2023**. The evaluations

are scheduled to be implemented in October-December 2023. Makerere University School of Public Health-Monitoring and Evaluation Technical Support (MakSPH-METS) Program will support 5 program evaluations.

These include:

1. Evaluation of the National PMTCT Group Antenatal & Postnatal Care (G-ANC/PNC) Differentiated Service Delivery Model (2021-2023). The study will evaluate acceptability, feasibility, and effectiveness of the Adolescent G-ANC/PNC model of care for pregnant and breastfeeding young mothers, and their infants at implementing sites nationally.