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# Integrating NTD Campaign Interventions into the Primary Health Care System

**Country:** Ethiopia

**Health Domains:** Neglected Tropical Diseases

**Theme:** Transition of Campaigns to Health Systems

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# Background and Problem to be Addressed

## Background

- Ethiopia: Highest burden of NTD  
Trachoma: ~50% of the global burden  
STH: 34% of the burden in SSA  
Podoconiosis: 25% of the burden in SSA  
Leshmaniasis: 21% of the burden in SSA
- NTD interventions in Ethiopia: dependent on funding support, with limited integration to the health system
- New **WHO NTD ROAD MAP** proposed integration
- **ETHIOPIA SUSTAINABILITY ACTION PLAN:** mainstream & Integrate NTD control within the health system

## Problem or Gap

- No adequate evidence on how to implement integration in “real world” setting
- Integration can be detrimental to a weak health system
- Evidence needed on capacity and preconditions needed for integration

# Purpose and Intended Application of Findings

## Purpose

Investigate the operational capacity of the Ethiopia PHC System and support needed to transition and sustainably integrate NTD interventions

Identify acceptable and feasible strategies to partially/fully integrate NTDs campaigns into PHC

## Expected Outcomes

Operational capacity of the PHC to integrate NTD interventions

Challenges and support needed for integration

Systems and inputs of NTD interventions for partial or full integration

Contribution of NTD programs to PHC

Feasible & acceptable strategies that facilitate integration

# Research Questions Addressed

## Primary research question

- What preconditions and strategies facilitate partial or full integration of NTDs campaigns into the PHC?
- Two phased, multi-district, mixed methods exploratory implementation research using PAR

Phase 1: Health System Capacity (Readiness) Assessment

Health system capacity assessment framework for integration + PHCPI

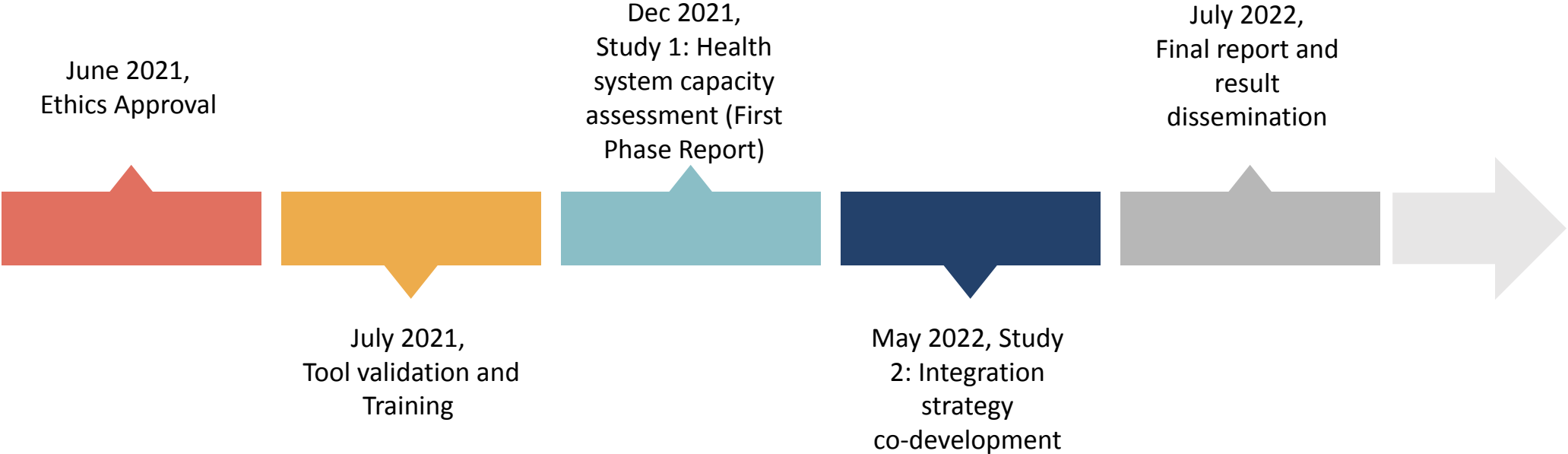
Phase 2: Integration Strategy Co-Development

Consultative workshop + CFIR

## Secondary research questions

- What are the challenges and opportunities of integrating NTD interventions into the PHC system?
- Which systems or inputs of NTD intervention can be integrated into the PHC system partially and which ones fully?
- What would NTD campaigns and processes offer to strengthen and impact PHC system?

# Anticipated Project Timeline



# Challenge in next 6 months

## Anticipated Challenges (Threats)

COVID19

Political instability

District inaccessibility due to seasonal rain

## Strategy for Mitigation

Project activities will continue through the use and provision of PPE

Study regions with insecurity will be excluded

Selection of study districts will consider accessibility

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