

## **Sample questions for PD facilitation**

### **1. Types of questioning:**

#### **Do not answer questions that are not asked**

Use of open-ended questions with: what, how, why, why now

To send back the reflection and thinking among the group

-To answer your question, let me ask a question?

Or can I ask you a question? Or I have a question for you...

#### **To generate more interactive discussion among the group:**

- Who can answer this question?
- Who wants to answer this question?
- Who has any idea about this?

#### **To involve more stakeholders:**

- Whose problem is it?
- Who else should be involved?
- How to involve them?

#### **To uncover PD behaviors and strategies:**

- So if I understand correctly, nobody here is...or has...?
- So according to you there are no people in your community who have overcome this problem?
- How can we learn from them?
- What will it take?

#### **Probing for discovering PD behaviors and strategies:**

- If I understand you correctly, you said...?
- Can you tell us more about?
- Most people have had this or that challenge with (issue) how have you been able to overcome that?

#### **Action oriented questions:**

- What are our next steps?
- Who is going to do what?
- -What will it take?

### **To make a suggestion**

- Can I make a suggestion?
- Would it be possible if?
- You are the experts, but would it make sense if?

### **3. Feedback process questions for PD facilitators after a conversation or activity**

#### Atmosphere

What was different about this from other gatherings you have led?

Before and after or beginning and end of dialogue atmosphere: think of non-verbal clues, laughs, presence of humor

#### Facilitation

- How did you include all participants? How did you deal with dominant individual(s)?
- What challenges did you face and how did you manage them?
- What were your best “tongue biting” tricks?
- How did you probe?
- What will you do differently next time you facilitate a PD activity?
- What tips would you give to other facilitators?
- What are you thinking about as the next step – what are you definitely not going to do – what do you want to do differently?