# Interview guide exploring crosscutting areas associated with sustainability

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*This interview intends to explore your perspectives about IAA execution and administration; your opinions regarding partnerships and health diplomacy; and, the best way to proceed if confronted with another similar public health emergency.*

1. **Administrative execution, support, management and stewardship**

*Please detail how funding for activities in your region/country under the Zika IAA were received, executed, administered and managed.*

Probes:

1. Availability and timeliness

*[Thoughts on] the availability and timeliness of funds to your program?*

1. Mechanisms

*[Thoughts on] how funding was delivered according to mechanisms?*

1. Execution of funds

*[Describe the] guidance you received on how to execute the funds.*

1. Communications around funding

*[Comment on the] communications concerning how obligations are to be managed in order to execute functions?*

1. Improvements

*[Describe how]* we can improve funding execution and support.

1. **Partnerships (maximize health impact)**

*Please describe the different partnerships developed or built upon as a result of the IAA funding for Zika activities.*

Probes:

1. COMISCA, PAHO, CARPHA, USAID, MoHs

*[Describe the] different partners you collaborated with on Zika activities?*

1. Existing partnerships (other funding)

*[Describe] any existing partnerships that were built upon as a result of the additional IAA funds.*

1. Facilitators

*[Describe how] the IAA funds may have strengthened Zika activities in your country/region.*

1. Barriers

*[Explain any] partnership complexities that were generated as a result of the IAA funding?*

1. Building partnerships

*[Provide some] examples of lessons learned or advice that can help advance or maximize partnerships in public health situations like Zika?*

1. **Emergency preparedness and response**

*Please describe how the IAA funds effected or impacted emergency preparedness and response capacities in your country/region.*

Probes:

1. Programming versus emergency response

*[Thoughts] on these funds as “lines of programming” versus “emergency response”.*

1. Capacity building (staff)

*[Explain] how IAA funding, if any, affected staff knowledge and ability to respond to a public health emergency.*

1. Capacity building (resources)

*[Explain] how IAA funding contributed to resources needed to respond to a public health emergency.*

1. Networks, tools, techniques

*[Help us understand] how IAA funds/activities contributed to new networks, tools and other techniques for future public health emergencies.*

1. Lessons learned

*What have you learned that we build upon in order to respond with more efficiency?*

1. **Health Diplomacy**

*Describe your experiences that helped shape and manage health policies and strategic alliances among your country/region and other global partners.*

Probes:

1. Agreements through new alliances and in bilateral agreements.

*[Describe the] types of agreements or bi-lateral alliances that were generated as a result of IAA funding or activities.*

1. CDC engagement with foreign governments to help address their health challenges

*[Thoughts on] how can CDC can support collaborations or actions for broader public health engagements with [country or region]?*

1. CDC regional coordination

*[Thoughts on] how CDC can [or should] build public health expertise and knowledge in country or regionally?*

1. Lessons learned

*[Thoughts on] additional lessons learned or opportunities based on bi-lateral strategies that can impact policy goals, policy coherence and/or capacity building?*