Learning Question 1: What are the benefits of systems thinking approaches and tools to changes in health system outcomes?

How do systems thinking approaches affect health system outcomes?

**Rapid Feedback MERL / Mali**

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**Context**

USAID Mali’s current Integrated Health Project (IHP) 2018-2023 is designed to achieve a number of improvements in the health status of Malians, through a focus on health service delivery, public awareness, and health financing. Results for Development (R4D), led by Palladium, and USAID’s Mali Health Program (KH) are collaborating with KSW and KN on activities to improve access to health care services. The goal is to improve access to quality health care services and to strengthen the health system in Mali. The RF MERL team is working with USAID, Implementing Partners, and the communities to improve the health system in Mali.

**Activity Impact**

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**Evidence**

In collaboration with KSW and KH, the RF MERL team is conducting a rapid evidence review to analyze the impact of their interventions. The review will identify key results at the health area level and will be used to inform the design of the rapid experimentation phase. The review will be conducted using a mixed-methods approach, including a systematic review of the literature, a rapid evidence review, and a case study analysis. The review will be conducted in collaboration with the RF MERL team and other stakeholders, including the implementing partners and the communities. The review will be used to inform the design of the rapid experimentation phase.

**Facilitators**

One of the key facilitators for this activity is the support of the RF MERL team in Mali. The RF MERL team has been actively engaging with the communities and implementing partners to ensure that the rapid experimentation phase is successful. The RF MERL team has been working with the communities to identify key results at the health area level and to develop a case study analysis. The RF MERL team has also been working with the implementing partners to ensure that the rapid experimentation phase is successful. The RF MERL team has been working with the implementing partners to ensure that the rapid experimentation phase is successful.