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Vera Zakem
We're so lucky to have you! Let's connect on assessment, m&e as DA Coleman is inquiring it too. Not surprised!

I'm glad you are spearheading this as well. Do let me know if I can join the meeting on m&e.



Susan Abbott
yes -- will loop you in, of course. We are just starting to move on it.



Vera Zakem
Great. If we can set up a mtg with me too, that would be great. I have a methodology to share for this and as you saw, IC is now inquiring about it too



Susan Abbott
yes -- let's set up a meeting -- can you share your report and the go through the methodology? Would be good to include Meral, Josh, Shannon, Matt Baker, Blair King and a few others who are part of the EL team -- and Adam and Amy as they are keen to be part of this discussion



Vera Zakem
i can. let me maybe sync up with you first.



Vera Zakem
you and i are much closer in time zone



Vera Zakem
the real goods though are on the high side



Susan Abbott
ok -- that sounds good



Susan Abbott
I am putting together an email for you and others to update where we are at w the MDM consultations and the stocktaking, and to share w you a Tasker that I just drafted for others to weigh in on -- the Tasker is to look across all the MDM programs and do an assessment of the data we actually have available -- baselines, mid-terms and final evaluation and other research -- we can do this w NORC University of Chicago, and also I will loop you into the planning for series of three 1 day retreats (small gatherings of usaid and IPs and experts -- 30 people) to discuss the what's working/ what's not and why in MDM programming. These retreats are meant to help us think through the issue of measurement, evaluation and how we can study what we are doing. These retreats will help us plan for a larger MDM Programming "What Works" conference/

Evidence Summit that we are planning for after the S4D. To

Vera Zakem
great.

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