

## Testing an approach to screen and treat maternal depression through group therapy to improve newborn child outcomes in Ethiopia

**Project Title:** P688 - 4.1.2 Improving Design and Delivery of Social protection for Nutrition and Other Outcomes

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**New Innovation: No** 

**Stage of innovation:** Stage 1: discovery/proof

of concept (PC - end of research phase)

**Geographic Scope:** National

Innovation type: Social Science

Number of individual improved lines/varieties: <Not Applicable>

Country(ies):

• Ethiopia

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Name of lead organization/entity to take innovation to this stage: <Not Defined>

Names of top five contributing organizations/entities to this stage: <Not Defined>

Milestones: No milestones associated

**Sub-IDOs:** 

**Contributing Centers/PPA partners:** 

## **Evidence link:**

• https://tinyurl.com/yxgaernf



## **Deliverables associated:**

• D3426 - Ethiopia Learning Agenda Inception Report for the Development Food Security Activity (DFSA) Strengthening PSNP4 Institutions and Resilience (SPIR) (N/A (in Shared Dropbox))

## **Contributing CRPs/Platforms:**

• PIM - Policies, Institutions, and Markets