**ICHG Winter Meeting 2014**

**"Where Next? Maternal and Child Health in the Post MDG era"**

This year's ICHG Winter Meeting will take place on **Thursday 6 November 2014** in Liverpool.

0830-0915: Registration and Coffee

**0915-0945: Introduction: Welcome and Setting the Scene on the MDGs**
*Professor Tony Costello*

**0945-1030: Maternal Health: Stillbirths**
*Hannah Blencowe, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine*

**1030-1115: Newborns: Progress on Survival**
*Simon Wright, Head of Child Survival, Save the Children*

1115-1130: Coffee

**1130-1215: Perspectives from Abroad: CHILD2015 Discussion on Past and Future Goals**

**1215-1300: MDG Progress Globally: Experiences from Malawi**
*Professor Liz Molyneux, Hon Professor of Paediatrics, College of Medicine, University of Malawi, Blantyre, Malawi*

1300-1400: Lunch

**1400-1515: Break out sessions**           Maternal and Newborn
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1515-1530: Coffee

**1530-1615: New MDG’s fit for the future?**
*Professor Tony Costello*

**1615-1635: Breaking News: Update on Ebola**
*James Bunn, ICHG Convener*

1635-1700: Closing Comments

The arrival of 2015 will play host to much soul-searching amongst the global development community. Many of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), including those on maternal and child mortality, will not be met. Despite much progress in some areas and some diseases, the global community will fail to deliver on both its maternal and child survival pledges. Why has this happened and what can we learn from this unique period in global development? What were the successes built on and what has been the anatomy of the failures?

Further to this, the upcoming new round of development goals are likely to shift focus away from these measures of survival. The UN System Task Team on the post-2015 Development Agenda have released an overview of the statistics and indicators that should be considered for the post-2015 development agenda. This talks of development indicators that measure inequalities within nations and population groups, of sustainability and development, subjective well-being, governance, rule of law, peace-building, violence, conflict and human rights. Should these be the be focus, with their broad empowerment agenda, or are the global community at risk of moving on before a job is finished? Who are the leaders in this shift and is it what those who hope to benefit the most from these goals want?

Maternal and Child health are inextricably linked. This broader agenda could drive broader empowerment for these groups, leading a more effective improvement in mortality, morbidity and quality of life amongst them, or it could lead to a loss of focus and progress in all that has been achieved over the millennium goals (MDGs). The International Child Health Group invite you to share a day of insight, discussion and debate on these questions, with keynote speakers and stakeholders from past and future in this area.