

## Task Team on Cash for Protection (TTC4P) planning for 2026

### Background and Rationale

Cash and Voucher Assistance (CVA) is a key humanitarian modality, though its use to achieve protection outcomes (Cash for Protection – C4P) remains inconsistent. This is due to fragmented guidance, varying technical capacity, limited comparable evidence, and inconsistent coordination. The GPC Task Team on Cash for Protection (TTC4P) was set up to address this through inter-agency coordination, setting standard, capacity strengthening and evidence generation.

### Overall Objective

Strengthen the global and field-level capacity to design, implement and coordinate the use of CVA to achieve protection outcomes in humanitarian settings through the provision of harmonised inter-agency guidance, targeted capacity-building activities, sustained technical support and the systematic generation of evidence.

### Priority activities and key deliverables for 2026

In 2026, the TTC4P will provide a clear package of guidance, capacity-strengthening initiatives, technical assistance and evidence generation, in line with its defined support streams and approved workplan. TTC4P work for 2026 is structured around the following mutually reinforcing pillars:

#### 1. *Piloting and finalisation of inter-agency guidance*

TTC4P will conduct structured field-testing of draft Guidance on Cash for Protection in Integrated Protection and Sectoral Programming with selected Protection Clusters, CWGs, and operational partners. Support will include:

- Structured piloting processes in selected responses through providing ongoing technical assistance during programme design and implementation and facilitated feedback to capture operational learnings
- Revision and finalisation of the guidance based on pilot feedback (design, implementation, and reflection phases)
- Development of 3 practical and user-friendly methodological notes to address priority technical gaps identified (including one on C4P coordination).

#### Deliverables:

- **Endorsed integrated C4P guidance** – Final, field-tested inter-agency guidance providing minimum standards, integration pathways, and operational considerations for using C4P in integrated protection and sectoral programming
- **Three methodological notes** - addressing priority technical gaps and providing practical approaches

#### 2. *Dissemination and Uptake of C4P Guidance*

The TTC4P will support Protection Clusters, CWGs and partners in applying the endorsed global standards through:

- Dissemination of finalised guidance on C4P in integrated and standalone protection programming and methodological notes
- Orientation sessions and technical briefings tailored to country contexts
- Support for the national and sub-national adaptation of global standards
- Production and dissemination of a multilingual C4P explainer video to support rapid orientation of practitioners
- Regular update and maintenance of e-library

#### Deliverables:

- **Structured dissemination events** – Orientation sessions and cluster-linked workshops to support uptake and contextual adaptation
- **C4P video** - short multilingual explainer video on C4P tailored for field practitioners
- **Updated e-library** – ensuring access to key C4P resources

#### 3. *Capacity Strengthening and Learning*

TTC4P will focus on translating guidance into practice through coordinated capacity strengthening. A strong emphasis will be placed on the participation of national and local actors, in line with localisation commitments.

- Delivery of in-person (at least 4) and online trainings in selected priority contexts, rolling-out updated inter-agency training packages on C4P, incorporating new guidance and evidence
- Expansion of Training of Trainers (ToT) approaches to support decentralised and sustainable capacity building
- Finalisation and launch of the Cash & Child Protection e-learning course in coordination with Plan International (module on monitoring CP and CVA programmes)
- Delivery of prioritised global, regional, and country-level workshops, sequenced according to demand and operational relevance

**Deliverables:**

- **Updated multilingual training package** – Revised curricula incorporating new guidance, evidence, and case studies across CP, GBV, HLP and MA
- **Documented in-person training outcomes** – strengthened C4P capacities of practitioners operating in prioritised humanitarian responses
- **ToT cohorts** – Trained practitioners equipped and supported to replicate C4P training within protection clusters and organisations
- **Operational e-learning course** – Fully launched Cash & Child Protection online course, including monitoring module
- **Global and regional learning events** – Webinars and workshops linked to guidance rollout and evidence dissemination

**4. Evidence Generation and Knowledge Management**

To address persistent evidence gaps and strengthen learning, accountability, and donor and practitioner decision-making, TTC4P will:

- Update and operationalise the global C4P programming dashboard to track where, how, and with what outcomes C4P is implemented, using agreed terminology and standards
- Coordinate a new global round of C4P evidence collection using standardised methodologies and indicators
- Produce an inter-agency global report on CVA for protection outcomes, complemented by selected case studies
- Disseminate findings through planned webinars and workshops

**Deliverables:**

- **Global C4P dashboard** – Expanded online database of C4P programmes, visualising mapped programmes, trends, and selected outcome data using harmonised terminology
- **Inter-agency evidence report** – Global report synthesising outcome-level data and case studies from participating agencies
- **Regional and global dissemination webinars** – Events presenting evidence findings and implications for programming and coordination

**5. Coordination, peer learning and on-demand technical support**

Throughout 2026, TTC4P will continue to act as a central coordination and technical support platform by:

- Maintaining the C4P Help Desk to provide real-time technical assistance in multiple languages
- Facilitating regular global coordination meetings and peer learning, including thematic exchanges
- Supporting to regular technical exchanges between Protection Clusters and CWGs to strengthen linkages between global guidance, country-level coordination mechanisms, and field implementation
- Convening a Global C4P Workshop to disseminate guidance and evidence and foster a common understanding on what C4P entails.

**Deliverables:**

- **Documented Help Desk responses** – Structured tracking and sharing of technical queries and solutions provided to Protection Clusters and partners
- **Bi-monthly coordination meetings** – Documenting exchanges, validate project outcomes, and facilitate peer learnings

## Operational coordination and complementarity

To ensure complementarity and coherence, operational coordination is embedded within the TTC4P's actions. TTC4P works closely with national and sub-national Protection Clusters and relevant groups, Cash Working Groups (CWGs) and CALP's regional platforms. The Task Team acts as a liaison between protection and cash coordination structures, aligning guidance, capacity building and evidence-based initiatives with global standards and country-level priorities. Coordination with the Cash & Child Protection Task Force of the Alliance for Child Protection in Humanitarian Action (ACPHA) ensures specialised child protection technical input and joint planning, avoiding duplication and reinforcing consistent inter-agency standards. This multi-layered coordination approach strengthens complementarity and avoids parallel initiatives, thereby reinforcing consistent inter-agency standards across global and field levels.

## Workplan sequencing 2026

Period	Key Outputs and Milestones
Q1 – Jan-Mar	Launching of new round of guidance piloting; Drafting of methodological notes; Roll-out of C4P trainings in priority contexts; Continued Help Desk support; Launch of dashboard and evidence building initiative
Q2 – Apr-Jun	Validation and finalisation of integrated guidance; Consultation on methodological notes; Roll-out of dissemination webinars; Continuing roll-out of C4P trainings in priority contexts; Operationalisation of C4P Dashboard and collection of evidence
Q3 – Jul-Sep	Formal endorsement and broad dissemination of guidance and methodological notes; Continued capacity strengthening and Help Desk support
Q4 – Oct-Dec	Publication of global inter-agency evidence report; Regional dissemination events; Global C4P Workshop; Consolidation of Help Desk learning and annual synthesis
Jan - Feb 2027	Close out of activities

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