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The changes requested by Prof Woods have been effected:

1. The end of the last sentence under Background seems to have been deleted - the last sentence in background has been clarified. It now reads: We describe the barriers to rapid acceleration of ICMT and review country perspectives on how to address feasible ways of addressing these barriers.

2. In the last sentence of Discussion there is a verb missing. A verb has been added: The sentence now reads: Furthermore in South Africa a distance IMCI project is being implemented running as a major alternative to ICATT and eIMCI.

3. The nature of the data given in Table 1 is not explained. The title of table 1 has been clarified and changed. It now reads:

  DESCRIPTION OF DATA: NUMBER OF QUESTIONNAIRES RECEIVED FROM (% TOTAL NUMBER OF QUESTIONNAIRE TYPE), AND LENGTH OF COURSES OFFERED, BY REGION AND COUNTRY