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Dr. Sonali Vaid is currently Quality Improvement Consultant to the WHO Collaborating Centre for Newborn Care at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, India, where she is supporting the roll-out of a regional platform for quality improvement collaboration across the WHO South-East Asia Region (Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Indonesia, Maldives, Myanmar, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Timor-Leste). Sonali has also been involved in the development of several WHO guidance and training documents for quality improvement.

In her previous role as Improvement Advisor with the USAID ASSIST Project, Sonali helped build capacity for quality improvement activities across several facilities in India. She has also supported country teams in Mali, Pakistan and Swaziland in improving safe injection practices, infection control and health worker safety. She has also worked previously on improving maternal and child health services in Kenya and Uganda.

Sonali received her Master's in Public Health in Global Health Policy and Management from the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health. While at Harvard she was involved with student groups focused on patient safety in developing countries and implemented the WHO surgical safety checklist at a hospital in India. Sonali has previously worked as a physician in India, providing antenatal care at a primary health center and critical care and surgical services at a tertiary hospital. These experiences incited her interest in patient safety, quality improvement and health systems strengthening. Her other interests include systems thinking, complexity science, innovation and organizational learning.



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