



HDI NEWS

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SOUTH AFRICA WORKSHOP ON MANAGEMENT OF TB CONTROL PROGRAMS SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 6 TO 10

The International Hospital Federation (IHF) is organizing a 5-day pilot workshop on the management of TB control programs in Pretoria, the seat of the national government of South Africa. The workshop will be attended by 21 participants selected by the Department of Health, Republic of South Africa under the leadership of **Dr. Lindiwe Mvusi**, Director of the National TB Control Programme in the Department of Health. This workshop is supported by the International Hospital Federation and an educational grant from Eli Lilly

Dr. Rufi Macagba, HDI president, is expected to lead the workshop as he led the development of the learning material and design of the workshop

Ms. Sheila Anazonwu Communications & Development Programmes Officer of the International Hospital Federation is coordinating the organization of the workshop with the Department of Health in South



Africa.

Workshop purpose: The International Hospital Federation (IHF), as a leading global representative body for hospitals and health care management professionals, seeks to **enable leaders of TB control programmes and health care organizations to develop inter-agency collaboration and integration of clinical and management activities to reach all infected persons and people at risk to effectively cure and prevent the further spread of TB in their respective communities**

in an impact-effective way.

The S. Africa workshop will include the following sessions:

1. What managers should know about TB. The TB problem, overview of case finding, treatment, and prevention
2. Critical elements of a successful and sustainable TB programme
3. Role of the manager in a TB control programme
4. Leadership skills needed
5. Programme planning and budgeting skills
6. Programme implementation skills
7. Follow-up and review system to ensure success
8. Financial control and reporting systems in a TB control programme
9. End of day and next day sharing of important concepts learned
10. Workshop review and personal implementation plans

HDI REGAINS PUBLIC CHARITY STATUS

The IRS, in a recent ruling, granted Public Charity Status to HDI.

HDI APPROVED FOR FALL 2006 COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN

Health and Medical Research Charities of America has again approved HDI for inclusion in the Combined Federal Campaign.

WORLD VISION DONATION

World Vision International recently donated \$500 to HDI in response to our request to WVI President Dean Hirsch for assistance in funding of our overseas workshops on hospital management.

HDI LATIN AMERICA REPRESENTATIVE INVITED TO VISIT CHRISTIAN HOSPITALS IN THE PHILIPPINES

Dr. Rufi Macagba has extended an invitation to Dr. Mike Soderling to visit Christian hospitals in the Philippines in May with Rufi as host if funds can be made available for his airfare. Other expenses will be paid by sources in the Philippines. Mike would like to bring with him Dr. Eric Estrada, his senior associate in ministry in Guatemala, if separate funding can be available.

If the trip can be made, the group plans to attend a meeting of the Philippine Christian Health Association in one of the islands on May 5 to 6.

The main hospital to be visited is 135-bed Lorma Medical Center in La Union province which Rufi leads as chairman and president. The hospital has a lot of innovations worth noting.

NEW LATIN AMERICA HDI REPRESENTATIVE TO ATTEND HDI BOARD MEETING ON FEBRUARY 2, 2006

The successful hospital management workshop led by Dr. Rufi Macagba in Antigua, Guatemala last October inspired the workshop organizer, **Dr. Mike Soderling**, an American medical missionary serving there to volunteer for a working relationship with Health Development International. As a result, Dr. Soderling was appointed as the new Latin America Representative of HDI. Mike will attend the HDI board meeting in Fullerton, CA on February 2.

After the Guatemala workshop,

Dr. Soderling wrote: *"As I sat through the workshop Dr Macagba imparted to us here in Guatemala a couple of weeks ago it felt as though a view that I could only see through a fog before was suddenly becoming much clearer... It felt as though it was a coming together of many things for me and I praise God for the entire experience... I have a passion for the type of ministry that HDI represents that never existed for me during the entire time I spent in private OB/GYN practice. God has given me a desire to work with Christian health care ministries to*

help them improve the work they do in poor developing nations... I would be open to doing whatever HDI deems necessary to help carry out their mission."

After his appointment, Dr; Soderling wrote the following Vision and Mission Statements for Latin America:

Vision: *To see the people of Guatemala living happier and healthier lives both spiritually and physically.*

Mission: *To promote the ideas of sustainability through sound biblical management principles, and unity through partnerships and networking amongst the Christian health ministries in Guatemala.*



"Sharing information, skills and resources so people will live a healthy life."



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Gambia Healthcare Management Workshop Cancelled

This workshop scheduled for Nov. 21-25, 2005 was cancelled due to insufficient funds

HOSPITAL MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP WORKBOOK HAS SPANISH VERSION

Luis Sena, a Regional Executive of Food for the Hungry for the Caribbean based in the Dominican Republic has produced a Spanish version of the hospital management workshop workbook. The Spanish version was used with his assistance at the workshop in Guatemala on Oct. 3-7.

Rufi Macagba Hosts WHO Executive at Lorma Medical Center In the Philippines

Dr. George Dorros, Ph.D., the lead person in healthcare management in the Geneva Headquarters of the World Health Organization until he retired last year, was in the Philippines for 2 weeks in last December and January. Dr. Rufi Macagba brought him to Lorma Medical Center 6 hours north of Manila to visit the hospital as well as the 300-bed government regional hospital in the same city.

Dr. Dorros currently serves as a consultant to Myanmar and other developing countries in health management development. He and Dr. Macagba discussed ideas on how to strengthen healthcare management in developing countries in collaboration with the International Hospital Federation and other agencies..

What is HDI?

"People get sick and die in poor countries because of preventable diseases and poorly trained health personnel. HDI provides useful personal health information, volunteer services and training for health leaders and personnel serving the poor."

Founded in 1990, Health Development International (HDI) is a non-profit educational and charitable 501(c)(3) corporation registered in the state of California. Donations are tax-deductible. HDI raises its funds from the U.S. Federal Campaign, other donors and donor agencies, consultant services, workshops, and sales of its publications.

Past and current activities include:

- Facilitating shipments of lifesaving medical supplies and equipment
- Hospital Management workshops
- Communicating, through its web site — practical information on personal health, mental and spiritual health, alternative medicine, community health development and hospital management.
- Collaboration in health development and related publications
- International Study on "Models of Christian Witness in Health Care"
- Consultant services in health management and international health programs
- Mobilizing church leaders for health

A VISION TO PROMOTE NON-DEGREE HEALTH MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

Most hospitals and health programs in developing countries are led by doctors, nurses or other people who have professional education but no training in management. They are responsible for providing life saving services with people of different specialties using all kinds of expensive medical equipment, buildings and facilities that deteriorate over time for lack of maintenance.

Most developing countries with healthcare management education programs offer only degree programs which most hospital and clinic managers and department heads cannot attend because of lack of time or money to finish the program. The methods of teaching in these schools and universities follow the traditional lecture method which is not the best way to teach the management skills people need.

This Vision of seeing the opening of non-degree short-term programs in healthcare management using modern teaching methods can make a difference in the management of health services. The idea is to invite 10 to 12 degree program heads at a time to a 5-day conference to inspire and encourage them to begin offering short-term non-degree programs in healthcare management. During the conference, a consultant in adult learning and the latest training methods will give them ideas on how to make their programs more effective.

The Director General of the International Hospital Federation, Prof. Per Gunnar Svensson and George Dorros, PhD of WHO both believe in this idea and they want to work with HDI and funding agencies to make this happen. Further discussions on this subject will take place in the coming months.

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