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Welcome to the SMDP NEWS

The **SMDP NEWS** is the newsletter of CDC's Sustainable Management Development Program (SMDP). The goals of **SMDP NEWS** are to:

?? Inform members of the international health community about SMDP activities

?? Support graduates of SMDP's annual Management for International Public Health (MIPH) course

?? Facilitate country-to-country exchanges of information and experience in public health management development

The **SMDP NEWS** is published quarterly, and distributed to all MIPH graduates. Graduates are encouraged to support the **SMDP NEWS** with articles, photos and updates on their activities, as well as with additions or corrections to addresses, phone numbers, e-mail, etc. for the mailing list. Current and past editions of the **SMDP NEWS** can be viewed at:
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MANAGEMENT FOR INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH CLASS OF 2001



CLASS OF 2001 – 1st ROW: Armando Ulloa, Martin Seike Mosima, Mike Malison; 2nd ROW: Lê Thanh Hải, Ronald Molosiwa, Lukman Hakim Tarigan, Joyce Sepenoo, Ruth Bwalya Tembwe, Laurel Zaks, Nguyen Dinh Tuan; 3rd ROW: Selma Šogoric, Suzanne Hurley, Sylvia Elena Reyes, Lindi Mhlanga, Swandari Djojo, Ma. Teresa "Tet" Castillo, Socorro "Coco" Patag Lupisan, Nelwina Tomi, Keerti Bhusan Pradhan; 4th ROW: Poovanon Eamchan, Brian Robie, David Bull, Harold Rugama, Ernie V. Vera, Syed Muhammad Israr, René-Anatole Ekpini, Hariadi Wibisono, Cynthia Lyons, Zewde Tamrat, Tea Vukušić Rukavina, Le Van Duc, Theresa Lawrence

The largest group ever attended this year's tenth annual Management for International Public Health (MIPH) course, with 25 participants from Botswana, Cote d'Ivoire, Croatia, Ethiopia, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Nicaragua, Pakistan, the Philippines, South Africa, Thailand, Vietnam and Zambia. The course was again held at the Northlake Courtyard Marriott Hotel (September 10 to October 19, 2001) and featured sessions on such topics as team-building, effective presentation skills, leadership, creating effective learning environments, total quality management, program management, logistics, patient flow analysis and change management. Participants received a variety of training tools for assessing needs, planning workshops and evaluating training activities for use in their countries. Fourteen different universities, international organizations and governments sponsored their participation in the course.

Since 1992, 183 participants from 53 countries have graduated from the MIPH course. Support from a variety of donors enables SMDP to provide on-site technical assistance to many of our graduates as they establish management training programs in their countries. In 2001, SMDP provided assistance to alumni in the Philippines, Vietnam, Egypt, South Africa, Taiwan and Nicaragua, in addition to sponsoring a major regional conference in Manila on strengthening management training capacity in the Asia Pacific region. 🌐

MIPH 2001 Course Photos



Instructor Gary Jewkes facilitates an activity on leadership



Syed Muhammad Israr (Pakistan) and Poovanon Eamchan (Thailand)



Harold Rugama (Nicaragua) and others



Lindi Mhlanga (South Africa) and Armando Ulloa (Nicaragua)



Sylvia Elena Reyes (Nicaragua) and Ma. Teresa "Tet" Castillo (Philippines)



Ruth Bwalya Tembwe (Zambia)

Philippines Secretary of Health Visits SMDP



(L to R) Dr. Mark White (EPO/DIH), Secretary Manuel Dayrit (Philippines DOH) and Dr. Michael Malison (PHPPO/SMDP)

Secretary Manuel Dayrit visited CDC in October and reviewed plans to expand management training in the Philippines. The Philippines Field Management Training Program (FMTP) started a new round of management training in November for its third cohort of 24 participants - 18 from local government units and six from the Department's regional offices to be trained as field supervisors. In 2002, the Philippines plans to launch a *Laboratory Management Training Program* (LMTP) that will work closely with the FMTP to provide management skills to central and regional laboratory personnel. The LMTP will be directed by Socorro "Coco" Patag Lupisan (MIPH '01) and Lydia Sombrero (MIPH '00), and supported with technical assistance from PHPPO's Division of Laboratory Systems. Coco Lupisan, Ma. Teresa "Tet" Castillo and Ernie Vera also presented a plan during this year's MIPH course to add a management curriculum for mid-level DOH managers to begin in 2003. 🏠

MIPH Alums from Philippines and Guam Provide Technical Assistance to Northern Mariana Islands

Conchy Roces (MIPH '98) of the Philippines and Lori Dueñas (MIPH '00) of Guam recently assisted MIPH alumni David Rosario (MIPH '00) and Joyce Songsong (MIPH '00) of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) Department of Health in conducting the second in a series of workshops for local program managers from the islands of Saipan, Tinian, and Rota. This workshop introduced participants to *Healthy Plan-it™*, a print and video-based tool developed by SMDP to help MIPH alumni teach planning and priority setting skills to local public health workers. The workshop also provided an opportunity to review progress on TQM projects which were initiated following the first workshop that was held in April. Examples of themes the TQM projects addressed include decreasing waiting time at the Women's & Children's Clinic and increasing compliance of foreign "guest workers" with health screening. A third workshop and graduation ceremony will be held in December, during which participants will present plans for new priority health programs they developed based on the *Healthy-Plan-it™* model. Participants who complete all course requirements will receive a Certificate of Completion from the University of Guam. This

country-to-country collaboration between MIPH alumni was supported by the Western Regional Office (WPRO) of the World Health Organization. 🏠

ALUMNI NOTES Antonio Gómez (MIPH '92)



Antonio (minus his famous moustache) recently visited SMDP during meetings with CDC's Epidemiology Program Office (EPO). Currently on contract with EPO through March of 2002, he is a Regional Public Health Advisor with responsibility for the AID-funded Hurricane Reconstruction Project in Nicaragua and other assignments in El Salvador and the Dominican Republic. His job functions include coordinating training in program management and communications, as well as managing the project budget. When asked to name his most important recent accomplishment, Antonio responded "becoming a grandfather". His current e-mail address is agomez@humr.org.ni.

"As for the best leaders, the people do not notice their existence. When the best leaders' work is done, the people say, 'we did it ourselves.'" - Lao Tzu





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