



Memorandum

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SUMMARY

Since 1979, FPED/CDC has collaborated with Mexican officials in the Family Planning Services Section of the Social Security Institute of Mexico (IMSS) on a number of technical assistance and analytical projects. At the invitation of Dr. Jorge Martinez Manautou, Director of Family Planning Services at IMSS, I was the CDC representative at the presentation of IMSS's most recent family planning survey data--these data were from a special 1981 Rural Communities Survey in Mexico. While attending that meeting I also met with Jose Garcia Nunez and Leopoldo Nunez Fernandez, the principal Mexican collaborators with FPED/CDC, and discussed the status and schedule of four collaborative projects:

1. The U.S.-Mexico Monograph--a publication of results from the 1979 U.S. border survey (FPED's--U.S.-Mexico Border Survey) and the 1979 Mexican National Survey of Family Planning and Maternal and Child Health. The monograph focuses on family planning and maternal child health services on both sides of the U.S.-Mexico Border region.
2. Regional analysis of family planning services in Mexico--using data from the 1976 Mexico World Fertility Survey and the 1979 Mexican National Survey of Family Planning and Maternal Child Health an analysis of family planning program impact will be made at the regional level. Family planning programs were only begun in 1973 in Mexico and not all regions had programs by 1976. This analysis will assess the impact the regional programs have had on reducing fertility in Mexico relative to regions where no programs existed.
3. Analysis of 1981 rural survey results--data exists from previous surveys to assess the change in family planning services in rural Mexico from 1976 to 1981. This project will focus on contraceptive use change and fertility change in the rural areas of Mexico.

4. Synthetic estimation of contraceptive use at the state level--using data from the 1979 National Mexico Survey of Family Planning and Maternal Child Health state contraceptive use estimates will be made these estimates have importance to policy decision making at the IMSS.

I. DATES AND PLACES OF TRAVEL

April 26-29, 1982--Mexico City, Mexico

II. PURPOSE

- A. To attend the presentation of results from the 1981 Mexico Survey Rural Community's family planning programs, April 27, 1982.
- B. To meet with Jose Garcia Nunez to discuss completion of the U.S.-Mexico monograph for contract CDC/PAHO, Contract Number 200-79-0942.
- C. To meet with Jose Garcia Nunez and Leopoldo Nunez Fernandez to discuss future collaboration and technical assistance requirements concerning the analysis of Mexico family planning and fertility data from three surveys--1976 World Fertility Survey, 1979 Mexico National Family Planning and Maternal Child Health Survey and 1981 Mexico Rural Community Survey.

III. CHIEF PERSONS CONTACTED

- A. Jose Garcia Nunez, Subdirector General, Secretario de Gobernacion, Direccion General del Registro Nacional de Poblacion e Identificaci6n Personal
- B. Leopoldo Nunez Fernandez, Jefe del Departamento de Encuestas, Jefatura de Servicios de Planificaci6n Familiar, Instituto Mexicano del Seguro Social

IV. BACKGROUND

Since 1979 (see foreign trip report, November 27, 1979) FPED/CDC has been providing technical assistance and collaborating with Mexico Family Planning professionals on two major projects:

1. U.S.-Mexico Border Monograph--Under the sponsorship of the U.S.-Mexico Border Health Association the U.S. government (with FPED/CDC as lead agency) and the Mexican government (with the family planning program services at IMSS as the lead agency) have worked together to produce a detailed document on family planning and fertility behavior for the border region. Each country conducted a family planning and fertility survey in their respective border regions during summer 1979, and the resulting analysis of the survey data are now being prepared as a publication, the U.S.-Mexico Border Monograph. A preliminary paper on this subject was published in 1981 ("Contraceptive Use and Family Planning Services Along the U.S.-Mexico Border," International Family Planning Perspectives 7(2): 52-59).

2. Mexico asked for, and received, technical assistance from FPED/CDC personnel regarding the analysis of data from the 1976 Mexico World Fertility Survey and the 1979 Mexican National Family Planning and Maternal Child Health Survey. As a result of this work two reports have been published in Mexico ("Estimaciones de Fecundidad y Mortalidad a Nivel Nacional" and "Fecundidad y Uso de Metodos Anticonceptivos en Mexico"), and two additional analytical projects have begun (regional analysis of family planning services and fertility changes in Mexico from 1976 to 1979, and synthetic estimation of contraceptive use at the state level in 1979).

V. RESULTS OF CONSULTATION

- A. I attended the presentation of the results from the 1981 Mexico Rural Communities Family Planning Survey. I discussed with Jose Garcia Nunez and Leopoldo Nunez Fernandez the possibility of further detailed analysis of the rural family planning program in Mexico. We agreed to a project calling for the analysis of rural family planning in Mexico from 1976 (using the 1976 World Fertility Survey to 1981 (using the 1981 Mexico Rural Communities Family Planning Survey)). This analysis will include a statement of the historical development of the family planning program in the rural areas, an estimate of fertility in the rural areas, prevalence of contraceptive use in the rural areas and sources of family planning services. We will assess the effect the programmatic changes in the rural areas have had on fertility from 1976 to 1981.
- B. Jose Garcia Nunez and I discussed the status of the U.S.-Mexico Border Monograph. I took to Jose Garcia Nunez a copy of the draft version prepared by FPED/CDC of the U.S. side report. Jose Garcia Nunez completed a draft of the Mexico side results. We agreed that a draft of the full monograph, combining information from both sides would be completed at CDC. We tentatively set July 1981 as a date for the draft of the monograph.
- C. I met with Jose Garcia Nunez and Leopoldo Nunez Fernandez and discussed two collaborative projects:
 1. Analysis of fertility and contraceptive use change in Mexico from 1976-79 at the regional level. This report will include a history of family planning programs in Mexico at the regional level, estimate of fertility at the regional levels from 1976 to 1979 and an estimate of the prevalence of contraceptive use and sources of family planning for 1976 and 1979.
 2. Synthetic estimation of contraceptive use at the state level for 1979. This is essential for evaluating the family planning program effectiveness at the state level and for setting policy by IMSS.

VI. FUTURE ACTIVITIES

A time table for the 4 projects was proposed:

<u>Project</u>	<u>Task</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>Aug</u>	<u>Sept</u>	<u>Oct</u>	<u>Nov</u>
1. Monograph	Draft Complete			X				
	Edited				X			
	Published					X		
2. Regional 1976-79	Tabulations	X						
	Analysis		X					
	Draft			X				
	Publish					X		
3. Synthetic Estimation	Tabulations		X					
	Analysis				X			
	Draft					X		
	Publish						X	
4. Rural 1976-1981	Tabulations			X				
	Analysis				X			
	Draft					X		
	Publish							X

Based on this time table we tentatively agreed that Jose Garcia Nunez and Leopoldo Nunez Fernandez would come to CDC at the end of July 1982 to finalize the monograph and to discuss tabulations for projects 2-4. In August or September, 1982, Charles W. Warren and Jack C. Smith would travel to Mexico to finalize with Jose Garcia Nunez and Leopoldo Nunez Fernandez drafts of the reports for projects 2-4.

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