

**AVSC INTERNATIONAL
 QUARTERLY REPORT: October 1 – December 31, 2000**

Date	Technical Assistance Visits
<p>October 2000</p>	<p>Bolivia: Conducted 5 Informed Choice Counseling Workshops on Informed Consent for a total of 186 participants.</p> <p>Cambodia: Provided Technical Assistance to the Ministry Of Health and health centers in the following services and/or programs: Home Birth Kits, birth spacing discussions, COPE, IEC picture pretest, IUD assessment, neonatal tetanus prevention activities, syphilis testing, logistics drugs management, internet TCP/IP training, and community based services training.</p> <p>Colombia*: Conducted Infection Prevention workshops on Sexual Reproductive Health programs for physicians, nurses and other health providers at 8 different hospitals, attended a Misoprostol Research meeting in the DR, held 3 five-day PAC, AMEU, Minilap and DIU trainings in Bogota's Health Secretary hospitals, held an orientation workshop within sexual and reproductive health programs at 3 different hospitals, and provided facilitative supervision to health staff to improve HSR programs at two hospitals.</p> <p>Ghana: Conducted Infection Prevention training for 49 health staff, conducted 4 medical site visits in the Eastern region and 4 medical site visits in the greater Accra region, and provided technical assistance to the Ghana country office.</p> <p>Guinea: Conducted a COPE follow-up exercise in 2 hospitals, trained 15 trainers in COPE facilitation, and introduced COPE/RH and COPE/CH in 5 health facilities.</p> <p>India: Conducted 8 site certifications, conducted 4 Laparoscopy, 5 Minilap and 4 Abdominal Tubectomy follow-ups, participated in a 3-month workplan meeting with SIFPSA for NSV, and conducted a workshop on the role of NGOs in improving vasectomy acceptance, and conducted and IUCD follow-up.</p> <p>Jordan: Supervised AVSC-trained teams in leading training courses on Infection Prevention, and evaluated the medical supervisor of RMS and graduated tubal ligation trainees to show adequate skills.</p> <p>Kenya: Conducted COPE exercise and formed a Quality Improvement committee at Kitui District Hospital.</p> <p>Malawi: Attended JHPIEGO PAC meeting to conclude CAs roles with regard to PAC activities in Malawi.</p> <p>Mongolia*: Evaluated training of midwives in RH, conducted a workshop for senior MOH officials, and facilitated a COPE training course for COPE master</p>

	<p>trainers at two health centers.</p> <p>Nepal: Conducted a workshop on client to client education initiative to orient participants on the concept of client to client education programs, and developed an action plan to initiate the activity.</p> <p>Nigeria: Introduced 22 health staff to COPE, participated in UNFPA midterm assessment, assisted in proposal development for NKST, Shalom Hospital, UCTH Calabar, NMA Umuahia, NMA Anambra, and ABUTH Zaria.</p> <p>Philippines: Conducted 4 training workshops on VS Program Monitoring for Regional Health Office Staff, conducted 1 training for Family Planning Counselors, held 7 workshops in ML/LA in DOH-retained RH and MC, and held 2 inaugurations of FP-RH clinics.</p> <p>Russia*: Conducted CTU seminar for health care providers of WIN projects sites, and met with JSI consultant to discuss the progress of the WIN project and more efficient monitoring strategies.</p> <p>Turkey: Conducted follow-up visits to 7 hospitals where Postpartum Family Planning (PP/FP) and Postabortion Family Planning (PA/FP) trainings were done to evaluate PP/FP, PA/FP and minilap services, and conducted a PA/FP workshop for 22 health staff at Adana Maternity Hospital.</p> <p>Uganda: Provided Informed Choice training to 14 CHOICE coalition members in team building and leadership initiative skills.</p>
	<p>Informed Choice: Provided TA to the CHOICE Coalition in two main areas: the relevance of Informed Choice in the various areas of reproductive health, and processes to strengthen the coalition. Conducted a 2-day workshop for members of CHOICE that focused on strategizing as a coalition and exploring reproductive and sexual health topics, provided an overview for NGO Network for Health of AVSC's programs and resources, and provided staff development for Nairobi staff in Kenya.</p>
	<p>Post Abortion Care: Assisted Philippine country team with implementation of AVSC's postabortion counseling training guide, reviewed journal article on refugee reproductive health service delivery, and attended PRIME PAC TLA Group Meeting.</p>
	<p>Quality Improvement: Attended a conference on accreditation, licensure and certification at the QAP Accreditation Forum, disseminated AVSC's QI and HSR materials to participants of the World Bank's course on HSR and RH Services, and attended meeting of the steering team for LAC regionalization of the Core course on Population, HSR, and RH.</p>

November 2000

Bolivia: Conducted 2 Informed Choice Counseling Workshops on Informed Consent, conducted a workshop on Medical Monitoring for 10 participants, and conducted an Infection Prevention Workshop for 86 participants.

Colombia*: Conducted a Masculinities workshop in Family Health at Canaveralejo Hospital, conducted a Reproductive Health program management workshop at 3 different hospitals, and held 3 five-day PAC, AMEU, Minilap and DIU trainings in Quindio Health Secretary hospitals.

Ghana: Provided Family Planning Counseling training for MOH staff in the Northern region, conducted program monitoring in 4 regions of Ghana.

Guinea: Conducted COPE training at 4 sites, and conducted a workshop to adapt COPE/CH tools to the national Reproductive Health standards and procedures.

India: Conducted 5 Abdominal Tubectomy follow-ups, 5 Minilap follow-ups, 2 Laparoscopy follow-ups, 15 IUCD follow-ups, and 6 AT follow-ups. Presented on the role of Population Growth and Women's Health at the World Conference on Women's Health, conducted an R-4 orientation meeting in New Delhi, conducted 1 site certification, and led 2 NSV training workshops and follow-ups.

Kenya: Introduced Community COPE at Kitui District Hospital, and provided TA to RH coordinators and staff with hands-on update in Emergency Obstetric Care, Infection Prevention, and emergency preparedness.

Nepal: Facilitated the Quality Improvement Committee at Chhertrapati Family Welfare Center, and assisted in the Youth Friendly Service Training in Dhapasi Urban study site as a co-facilitator.

Nigeria: Assisted in MWAN Calabar proposal development, trained 10 health workers in PPIUD, and attended PACNet meeting in Abuja.

Paraguay: Conducted an Informed Choice workshop in 4 sanitary regions, developed 4 COPE exercises and 1 follow-up exercise, participated in 2 evaluation meetings with the Ministry of Health, presented the 200-2001 budget to USAID, and provided training in Family Planning norms for providers in 4 sanitary regions.

Philippines: Conducted 3 workshops on VS Program Monitoring for Regional Health Office Staff, conducted 1 training for Family Planning Counselors, led 5 workshops in ML/LA in DOH retained RH and MC, conducted 1 on-site training on ML/LA for LGUs and FCFI, participated in program monitoring at two DOH-retained hospitals, and met with key officials of the WHOPRO and DOH regarding the participation of AVSC in the Country Consultation on Infant Feeding and Nutrition.

	<p>Russia*: Participated in the WIN Project Progress Conference, conducted a CTU seminar for health care providers of Berezniki WIN project site, pre-tested the OR PAC provider and client questionnaires, providers at 6 OR PAC sites, and met with the MOH STI specialist to discuss the content and language of an STI cue card.</p> <p>Senegal: Facilitated a workshop on STI/HIV and AIDS for AVSC African Country Offices, and trained staff of Guinea MOH and RH in COPE.</p> <p>Tanzania: Attended a PAC dissemination workshop during which RCHS and UMATI shared the outcome of the Bagamoyo review of the Tanzania PAC program, and recommendations for scaling up PAC were approved.</p> <p>Turkey: Conducted PP/FP workshop for 27 health staff at Bahcelievler Omur Hospital in Istanbul.</p> <p>Uganda: Provided TA and financial assistance in the integration of male and PAC services by establishing Male Clinics in District Hospitals. Revised and field-tested the IC/RH rights baseline survey questionnaire, and CHOICE Coalition members produced a literature review of SRH/rights policies with regards to internally displaced persons and refugees.</p>
	<p>Informed Choice: Revised the Informed Choice/Reproductive Rights baseline survey questionnaires, assisted CHOICE (Uganda) members with field-testing and baseline questionnaires, and assisted CHOICE members in conducting a literature review on SRH/rights policies, particularly with regard to internally displaced persons and refugees.</p>
	<p>Men As Partners: AVSC staff members met with FPAN (Nepal) to discuss MAP plans outlines in the FPAN subagreement, and a training needs assessment was conducted at FPAN’s central clinic in Kathmandu.</p>
	<p>Postabortion Care: Worked with RHRU/South Africa Consortium, assisted Russia with refining the instruments to be used in PAC OR, collaborated with PATH on misoprostol research* and evaluated AVSC/PATH MVA equipment*, and provided postabortion counseling training to the International Rescue Committee in Pakistan*.</p>
	<p>Quality Improvement: Discussed development ideas on “Taking COPE to scale” with representative from Tulane School of Public Health, and attended sessions on RH services, performance improvement and clients’ rights at the APHA conference.</p>
	<p>Research: Nepal/Nepal Participatory Adolescent Reproductive Health Project: Reviewed planned interventions for the rural study site*, finalized consultancy agreements with in-country partners, and explored collaboration possibilities</p>

	<p>with local microenterprise/income-generation organizations. Washington DC/Nepal Participatory Adolescent Reproductive Health Project: Participated in mid-term dissemination meeting.</p>
<p>December 2000</p>	<p>Bolivia: Conducted a COPE II exercise for 73 participants, conducted 2 workshops in Informed Choice Counseling and Training in Contraceptive Technology, and conducted 3 workshops on Monitoring OTB Activities.</p> <p>Colombia*: Conducted 3 two-day Cope exercises at 3 different hospitals.</p> <p>Guinea: Trained 25 health workers in IEC/Counseling training, and introduced COPE to 1 hospital.</p> <p>India: Conducted 4 IUCD follow-ups, 2 Laparoscopy follow-ups, 2 AT follow-ups, and 7 Minilap follow-ups. Developed a 3-month workplan with SIFPSA, attended 2 CS trainings, conducted 2 NSV trainings, and facilitated 2 R-4 consultants.</p> <p>Jordan: Conducted programmatic visit as well as a debriefing with a USAID representative, provided technical assistance to AVSC country office for management and administrative issues.</p> <p>Kenya: Introduced COPE at 3 health centers in order to set up Quality Improvement systems in the community in relation to the district hospital so as to improve on referrals and linkages between the health centers and the district hospitals.</p> <p>Nepal: Conducted the Youth Friendly Service training, led Infection Prevention committee meeting and follow-up, conducted quarterly review with partnership organizations, participated in a meeting with JHPIEGO on finalization of National Medical Standard Vol. I, participated in drug Inventory Management system, and assisted in the implementation of COPE at two sites.</p> <p>Nigeria: Conducted an Infection Prevention Workshop for 15 health workers, participated in PRIME II country assessment*, and conducted a monitoring visit.</p> <p>Philippines: Conducted 2 workshops on VS Program Monitoring for Regional Health Office staff, conducted 1 training of FP Counselors, led 4 trainings of trainers in ML/LA in DOH-retained RH and MC, led 1 on-site training on ML/LA for LGUs and FCFI, participated in Program Monitoring at two sites, and attended a technical consultation workshop on the Global Strategy on Infant and Young Child Feeding held by WHO and the Philippine Department of Health.</p> <p>Russia*: Observed provider-client interactions at 6 OR PAC sites.</p>

	<p>Senegal: Conducted workshop to approve the RH curriculum for the Teens Group for Training and Studies, participated in evaluation of project's procedures to undertake 2001 program, evaluated the field activities running under the subagreements Y2000, and presented COPE for Child to BASICS regional staff.</p> <p>Tanzania: Attended the permanent and long term contraception program review and appraisal meetings with UMATI, RCHS and USAID Tanzania.</p> <p>Uganda: Follow-up on PAC training being provided at District Hospitals.</p>
	<p>Informed Choice: Conducted staff development for AVSC Francophone staff and for South and East Asia staff.</p>
	<p>Postabortion Care: Assisted the Honduras and DR PAC teams with proposal development, reviewed misoprostol research interviews with orientation team, provided facilitative supervision to Cartagena Maternity, conducted observations of the PAC client-provider interactions under the terms of the PAC OR project in Russia, and worked on Russia PAC Curriculum/Treatment of Complications Module.</p>
	<p>Quality Improvement: Attended a minicourse and session on Quality Improvement at the National Forum on Quality Improvement in Health Care, provided technical assistance in Bangladesh to the Quality Improvement partnership in defining indicators and developing a quality monitoring and supervision system, provided support to the Colombia program in research on "The impact of HSR on Reproductive Health Programs and Services", presented AVSC's experience with Community COPE at the MAQ Community-defined quality Task Force Meeting, and attended the 3rd meeting of the steering team for LAC regionalization of the Core course on Population, HSR and RH.</p>

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