

SARA II QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT
October 1 – December 31, 2002

This report covers the first quarter of FY 2003, namely, the period October 1 – December 31, 2002. It follows the SARA FY 03 work plan for the period October 1, 2002 – September 30, 2003.

SARA II is a service project. As such, it is responsive to the Africa region's needs, and USAID and REDSO requests channeled through AFR/SD/HRD, so additional activities may gain priority from time to time as discussed in the Work Plan.

Activities as found in the work plan are listed in bold.

SO 26: Adopt policies and strategies for increased sustainability, efficiency and equity of basic education services

1. Assist the AFR/SD/ED team

- **Participate in SO 26 core team meetings**
- **Assist in the implementn of the analytic agenda**
- **Assist team in R4 reviews/wrap-up;**
- **Assist team with dissemination & advocacy strategies.**

Expected Outputs:

- Weekly team meetings attended
- Transition activities carried out

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

With FY 03 being the final year of SO 26 funding under SARA, Dr. Yolande Miller-Grandvaux, the SARA Basic Education Advisor, transitioned over to the AFR/SD/ED MOBIS with American Institutes for Research (AIR) on November 1, 2002. During her last month with SARA, she attended SO 26 weekly meetings and completed two trips, one to Mali and one to Ethiopia. The first trip was part of her ongoing backstopping of the USAID/Mali mission's education program. The second was to facilitate parts of the Basic Education Exchange (BEE) organized by AFR/SD/ED. For Mali, she provided technical advice to the mission education team, a function that she will continue under AIR. She also successfully completed her facilitation of the BEE.

2. Support ERNWACA in developing the capacity to establish & sustain its leadership in educational research in West and Central Africa.

Expected Outputs:

- Coordinator supported in institutional capacity building of regional coordination office and country chapters
- Funds raised by chapters
- Additional donors mobilized
- Scientific committee and steering committee meeting regularly

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

The Regional Coordinator is directing a major thrust to find funding, both core and program. During this past quarter, she managed to secure a small amount of program funding and presented proposals to several donors for core funding, such as DANIDA, NORAD, CIDA, AfDB and the African Capacity Building Foundation. Other proposals for such funding went to USAID, the Ford Foundation and other institutions in Africa and elsewhere. The Coordinator has also been successful in obtaining grants for small research projects for country chapters from a variety of donors. However, core funding ends in March 2003 and the SARA subcontract ends in July 2003. It is unclear how successful the Coordinator will be in mobilizing core funding given the present lack of response to her numerous good proposals. However, she is constantly thinking of ways to fundraise in more creative ways and is working with SARA and the CRDA, ERNWACA's long-standing partners, to increase its reach and marketing presentation.

3. Disseminate NGO briefs.

Expected Outputs:

- NGO Briefs disseminated

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

The layout of the NGO briefs in English and the bilingual folder were finalized and they were working their way through the final approval process in preparation for printing. The briefs in French are being edited. The English briefs will be printed in the next quarter.

4. Assist AFR/SD/ED in providing backstopping to Mali USAID mission.

Expected Outputs:

- Education policy strategy updated and monitored
- TA provided

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Yolande Miller-Grandvaux carried out her final trip to Mali in July 2002. She helped the USAID mission and the Ministry of Education in developing a school cluster-based education support model. She then proposed strategies for carrying out activities under this model and presented them to the education team at the mission. She also collected information on the status of the primary school curriculum and found that the model being followed needed revision and she proposed various ways of revising it to the mission. Finally, she held two working sessions with the ERNWACA Regional Coordinator. Together, they identified current activities and future priorities, among which were developing a brochure to enhance marketing efforts and the possibility of SARA computer and communication specialists providing technical assistance to the ERNWACA network and help develop the ERNWACA website.

SO 19: Adoption of policies and strategies for increased sustainability, quality, efficiency and equity of health services

Technical Area: **Household and Community Approaches to Child Health**

1. Technical support for the design, implementation and use of facilitators briefing package for household and community IMCI (C-IMCI).

Expected Outputs:

- Briefing package developed and used in selected settings

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

The SARA Child Survival Team collaborated with WHO/AFRO and BASICS in revising the C-IMCI briefing package. Comments on the second draft package were sent to WHO/AFRO and discussed. WHO/AFRO, who is taking the lead in collecting comments from all partners and producing a subsequent draft, has asked SARA's support in hiring a consultant to help packaging the documents. In response, SARA is in the process of hiring a consultant, Ms. Gail Naimoli, through a subcontract with The Manoff Group. The subcontract should be signed next quarter and the package will be finalized by May.

2. Promote coordination between C-IMCI and RBM, especially with respect to including informal private practitioners in child survival programs.

Expected Outputs:

- C-IMCI and RBM adopting coordinated strategy for including informal practitioners in their programs

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Dr. Youssef Tawfik, SARA Senior Child Survival Advisor, assisted the CORE group in developing their "Malaria Fresh Air" Workshop series. This included participating in evaluating the first workshop that had been conducted in Ndula, Zambia, last quarter. SARA included a session on "including formal and informal private practitioners in child survival" in the workshop. This quarter, SARA collaborated with CORE in utilizing experience from the Zambia workshop to make improvements for future workshops. SARA hopes particularly to support the CORE organized regional Francophone workshop. Planning for this workshop will start next quarter and the workshop will be held in June 2003 in Bamako, Mali. The "Malaria Fresh Air" workshops are excellent venues to promote collaboration between malaria and IMCI and the inclusion of private practitioners in child survival programs.

3. Provide technical support to finalize and disseminate tools to improve access and use of essential drugs at community levels.

Expected Outputs:

- Tool to investigate access and use of essential drugs at the community level finalized and disseminated.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

The SARA project collaborated with the RPM Plus Project in developing a tool to investigate health care seeking behavior for sick children and the availability of child survival drugs at the community level. The tool has been tested in Senegal. SARA is contributing to the process of tool review and modification based on results of the field test. A revised version of the tool will be produced during the next quarter. Then the tool will be available for dissemination.

4. Participate in Inter-Agency Working Group (IAWG) meetings on C-IMCI and follow up on required action.

Expected Outputs:

- SARA participation in IAWG.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No IAWG activities this quarter.

5. Participate in WHO/AFRO, UNICEF and/or BASICS meetings to facilitate the development & implementation of strategies to expand C-IMCI.

Expected Outputs:

- Strategies to expand C-IMCI developed.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this quarter.

6. Link with CORE, Global Communication Program, BASICS and WHO to promote the Africa Bureau's priorities for child health.

Expected Outputs:

- AFR's priorities in child health promoted.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

SARA has continued to collaborate with WHO and BASICS in the development of the strategy to include formal and informal private practitioners in national child survival programs. Last quarter, SARA succeeded in soliciting WHO's and BASICS' financial support to field interventions in Uganda. This quarter, SARA continued its collaboration with WHO and BASICS in supporting the MOH in Uganda in revising the tools necessary for the interventions. Some of these tools are: "Private Practitioners' Inventory", "Simulated Visits", and "Negotiation Sessions" for studying private practitioners' practices. SARA will collaborate with WHO in documenting the overall strategy and the accompanying tools.

In addition, Dr. Suzanne Prysor-Jones, SARA Project Director, made a presentation in Baltimore and discussed community child health opportunities and needs with the new Global Communications Program.

7. Collaborate with partners to strengthen NGO networks to improve child health.

Expected Outputs:

- NGO networks strengthened in selected countries.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this quarter.

8. Influence programs / partners to get specific health care-seeking behavior information on child health and use the data to advocate for appropriate interventions.

Expected Outputs:

- Specific health care-seeking information gathered and used.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

The SARA Project, through an intern, has collected examples of health care seeking behavior questionnaires used by NGOs and other partners. The content of the questionnaires has been examined to determine whether they are able to describe with sufficient specificity the sources of health care selected by the community for the care of sick children. As a result, SARA will recommend modifying or adding specific questions to assure that data on sources of health care for sick children are routinely obtained to guide national planning of child survival programs.

9. Assist AFR/SD with issues identification, portfolio management and evaluation.

Expected Outputs:

- TBD

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

SARA played a leading role in organizing a consultative meeting at USAID to assist AFR/SD in planning for future investment in health, including child survival. SARA has presented Power Point presentations summarizing data and issues on child survival in Africa to guide AFR/SD future interventions in Africa. The first presentation presents disease burden, infant and child mortality trends, health care seeking behavior for childhood illness, and coverage for selected child survival programs. The second presentation summarizes policy, program, systems and implementation issues that hinder the large-scale implementation of effective child survival intervention in Africa. The latter presentation includes conclusions of a number of recent assessments of child health programs in Africa. The meeting included partners from different programs within USAID/Global and Regional Bureaus and assisted in identifying promising areas for AFR/SD future investment in health.

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Technical Area: Provider Performance

1. Print & disseminate paper on involving private practitioners in child survival in French.

Expected Outputs:

- Paper printed & disseminated

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

The paper on “Utilizing the potential of formal and informal private practitioners in child survival” has been translated into French. The dissemination of the paper will start next quarter.

2. Disseminate Uganda’s National Strategy for involving private practitioners in child survival programs.

Expected Outputs:

- National strategy printed and disseminated in the Africa region.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

The Ugandan MOH has printed, from their own resources, their “National strategy for utilizing the potential of private practitioners in child survival”. SARA will collaborate with the MOH in Uganda to disseminate the Uganda strategy document to other countries. The dissemination will be completed during the next 2 quarters.

3. Collaborate with partners (e.g., WHO/Geneva) in developing and testing a tool to guide the process of including private practitioners in child survival programs.

Expected Outputs:

- Tool developed and tested in selected countries

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Based on results of global review and recent experience in Uganda, SARA is collaborating with WHO/Geneva to develop an outline for a toolkit to guide national child survival programs (IMCI and Roll Back Malaria) on how to develop a national strategy and design and implement field interventions to improve private practitioners’ practices regarding case management of childhood diseases. The package will include specific implementation tools based on experiences in Uganda, Cambodia and elsewhere.

4. Document and disseminate paper on Uganda’s experience in applying innovative training techniques (contracting, short course).

Expected outputs:

- Uganda’s experience in contracting IMCI training and in conducting IMCI short courses documented and disseminated.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

SARA’s consultant, Mr. Ken Heise, has submitted a draft report documenting Uganda’s early experience with IMCI training, contracting, short interrupted IMCI training courses and the distance learning method. The final report will be produced during the next quarter.

5. Disseminate and promote the use of the COPE tool for child health

Expected Outputs:

- COPE tool disseminated.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

SARA participated in a meeting at USAID where EngenderHealth presented a draft report on applying COPE in Guinea and Kenya. SARA advised EngenderHealth on key personnel in Africa who should receive, and be invited to comment on the draft report.

6. Provide technical input to USAID and WHO for scaling up IMCI strategy.

Expected Outputs:

- SARA participates in regional meetings and evaluation events.
- IMCI strategy scaled up in the Africa region.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this quarter.

7. Provide technical support to WHO/AFRO in implementing formative research on HH/C practices for newborn and dissemination of results.

Expected Outputs:

- Formative research on newborn health conducted and disseminated.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

WHO/AFRO has informed AED that a budget is available to carry out formative research on newborns in Nigeria, based on the concept paper and draft tools developed by SARA consultant Nancy Nachbar. Management arrangements and scheduling will be discussed next quarter.

8. Assist AFR/SD with issues identification, portfolio management and evaluation.

Expected Outputs:

- Specific child survival issues of importance to AFR/SD identified.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

See point 9 in the previous section above.

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Technical Area: **Malaria RP**

1. Participation at the 3rd MIM African Conference in Arusha, Tanzania.

Expected Outputs:

- SARA and partners represented at the meeting.
- Report prepared and disseminated.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

SARA supported the participation of Prof. Moussa Maiga of WAHO, Dr. Nancy Nachbar of AED and Dr. Sambe Duale, SARA Senior Research Manager, at the 3rd MIM Conference held November 17-22, 2002, in Arusha, Tanzania. A report of the meeting was prepared and disseminated.

2. Support for initiatives on the prevention of malaria in pregnancy in Africa.

Expected Outputs:

- Working group meetings held.
- Review of MIP policies and guidelines in ECSA conducted.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

SARA staff participated in the MIP Working Group meeting held October 9, 2002, at USAID. The SARA dissemination team is working to produce and disseminate an updated MIP brochure.

3. Technical support for malaria activities of selected African institutions & networks (e.g., CRHCS, WAHO, WHO/AFRO, MRTC, RCQHC, ECSACON).

Expected Outputs:

- TA provided by SARA staff & consultant.
- Staff of partner institutions participate in key meetings and electronic exchanges organized.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

SARA staff has worked with CRHCS to develop a TOR for, and identify a consultant to review MIP policies in ECSA countries. SARA facilitated the invitation of CRHCS to join the WHO/AFRO-led MIP Network for East Africa.

Consulted with CRHCS on its selection of a consultant to review and document country experiences in the development and implementation of policies, service delivery guidelines and program interventions on the preventive treatment and management of malaria in pregnancy (including the use of insecticide-treated bed nets / materials).

4. Co-sponsorship of a CORE Regional Workshop for PVOs on Malaria Prevention and Control in West Africa.

Expected Outputs:

- TA provided by SARA staff & consultants.
- Workshop organized and delivered.
- Report prepared & disseminated.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Dr. Sambe Duale participated in two conference call meetings of the CORE Malaria Working Group. The planning of the regional workshop is among the topics discussed during the two meetings. The workshop is scheduled for June 23-27, 2003, in Bamako, Mali.

5. Support for a WAHO consultative meeting to identify strategic approaches to the promotion of ITNs for malaria prevention and control in West Africa.

Expected Outputs:

- TA provided by SARA staff and consultants.
- Workshop organized and delivered.
- Report and advocacy materials prepared & disseminated.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Dr. Sambe Duale reviewed and provided comments on a WAHO concept paper for promoting an increased availability and use of insecticide-treated materials in ECOWAS countries. Dr. Duale has shared the concept paper with colleagues from the Netmark Project and WHO/TDR for consideration for potential funding

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Technical Area: Tuberculosis

1. Data analysis and report on findings of the Women and TB study in Tanzania.

Expected Outputs:

- Data collected & analyzed, report prepared.
- National and regional dissemination workshop organized.
- Development, production and dissemination of briefs and advocacy materials.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

On Thursday, November 14, 2002, during the MIM conference in Arusha, Dr. Sambe Duale met for a couple of hours with Dr. Eliud Wandwalo of the National Tuberculosis and Leprosy Program of Tanzania, Dr. Nancy Nachbar of AED, and Dr. Ominde Achola of CRHCS to discuss the status of the TB and Gender study in Tanzania. Dr. Nachbar traveled to Dar es Salaam the week before to work with Dr. Justin Nguma of HealthScope on plans to finalize data analysis and report writing. The research team provided SARA with a draft the final report for review in late December 2002. A revised draft report will be provided to SARA in January 2003 for peer review . A workshop will be organized during the next quarter of 2003 in Dar es Salaam to discuss the research findings and their program and policy implications with various stakeholders.

2. Organize information sharing on the implementation on TB control programs in African settings.

Expected Outputs:

- Information-sharing activities planned, organized and implemented.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Dr. Sambe Duale has initiated discussions with the organizers of the SWAA and ICASA conferences to ensure the inclusion of sessions on TB in their programs.

3. Support for the documentation and dissemination of findings on innovative TB-HIV linked programs.

Expected Outputs:

- Literature review, key informant interviews and site visits conducted.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this period.

4. Sub-regional workshop in Dar es Salaam for the review of findings from the TB & gender study in Tanzania.

Expected Outputs:

- Workshop held & report prepared, disseminated

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Refer to # 1 above.

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Technical Area: Infectious Diseases

1. Support for the documentation and dissemination of findings on the implementation of IDSR in Africa.

Expected Outputs:

- Technical assistance from SARA staff & consultant provided.
- Report and advocacy briefs produced and disseminated.
- SARA participation in IDSR Task Force.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Antonia Wolff, SARA Dissemination Specialist, traveled to Harare, Zimbabwe, in early November to participate in the Expert Working Group Meeting to finalize the protocol, tools and a work plan for the IDSR documentation exercise. A team of consultants and staff from WHO and CDC conducted the exercise in six countries. Ms. Wolff and Dr. Sambe Duale participated in the review of the draft countries' reports in December. SARA hopes to receive the final country reports and a synthesis report from WHO in the next month or so to proceed with the preparation of advocacy briefs on IDSR.

2. Technical support to AFR/SD/HRD on Epidemic Preparedness & Response, & Transition Initiatives.

Expected Outputs:

- Review meetings held
- TA provided to update this area

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Dr. Sambe Duale has exchanged e-mails with colleagues from WHO and USAID on selected outbreaks that occurred this period in Africa (e.g., meningitis and Yellow fever in West Africa, Flu and measles in D.R.Congo).

3. Support to WHO/AFRO in integrated surveillance activities.

Expected Outputs:

- Support provided to WHO/AFRO and IDSR documentation team to develop dissemination plan and relevant advocacy materials.
- Other support provided as needed.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

See # 1 above.

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Technical Area: Nutrition

1. Assist AFR/SD/HRD SO 19 team in managing the Nutrition Technical Area (including MTCT/nutrition, HIV/AIDS issues).

Expected Outputs:

- Core team meetings held
- SO 19 portfolio reviews conducted
- Expert advice provided

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this quarter.

2. Provide technical support to AFR Core Groups, G-PHN, & CA partners on nutrition issues in Africa.

Expected Outputs:

- Meetings attended.
- Expert advice/input provided.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

SARA Nutritionist Dorcas Lwanga continued to provide technical assistance to FANTA's HIV/AIDS nutritionist this quarter to update their Nutrition Care and Support Guidelines. Ms. Lwanga has provided technical input, in addition to rewriting, reviewing and editing several chapters of the Guidelines. Work on revising the guidelines is still ongoing.

Ellen Piwoz, SARA Nutrition Advisor, worked with Beth Preble (AED consultant) and Douglas Huber (MSH) to prepare a paper for Advance Africa on the role of family planning in the prevention of MTCT of HIV in Africa. The paper was discussed at an Advance Africa retreat in November which Dr. Piwoz attended and will be produced and disseminated by that project.

Dr. Piwoz also participated in the WHO consultation on indicators for complementary feeding that was held in Washington, DC, in December 2002.

3. Evaluate the impact of AFR/SD nutrition investments & disseminate results

- **PROFILES evaluation**
- **Evaluation of West Africa Nutrition Focal Point Network.**

Expected Outputs:

- PROFILES evaluation report completed and disseminated.
- Conferences/workshops attended where results are presented & discussed.
- Focal Points evaluation conducted, report completed and disseminated in West Africa sub-region.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

A draft of the final report of PROFILES evaluation documenting lessons learned and impact of PROFILES-related training and advocacy on nutrition policies, programs and capacity in Africa was completed and submitted for review and feedback in December 2002 to Dr. Ellen Piwoz, Dorcas Lwanga and SARA West Africa Regional Nutrition Field Advisor Kinday Samba, among others. Feedback and comments were provided to Dr. Jay Ross and Ms. Helen Stiefel, principal authors of the report. The final report is expected early next quarter.

Ms Kinday Samba, SARA West Africa Regional Nutrition Field Advisor, has been involved in the data collection and analysis of information on the valuation of the West Africa Nutrition Focal Points Network. The purpose of the evaluation is to document the evolutionary process through which the regional network was formed and is operating, and to assess any direct or indirect impact that this network and its major event the annual meeting has had on nutrition policy and programming, human capacity building and institutional strengthening in the region and beyond. A draft report of the preliminary findings of the evaluation is expected March 2003.

4. Strengthen African partners' capacity for:

- **Incorporation of AFR-supported nutrition tools/materials in NGO & pre-service settings in ECSA.**
- **TA to ECSA and WA sub-regions on inclusion of nutrition into PRSP programming.**

Expected Outputs:

- Regional workshop conducted in conjunction with other related meetings on use of nutrition tools, nutrition advocacy, dissemination of promising practices.
- Number of institutions incorporating AFR tools into pre-service, in-service training increased.
- Follow-up assistance in West Africa provided for implementation of new approaches (IRSP).
- Regional training workshop conducted on nutrition and PRSP in ECSA sub-region.
- Follow-up of WA PRSP workshop.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Dorcas Lwanga met with Lora Iannotti from the LINKAGES project to discuss and plan for the regional training workshop on nutrition and PRSP in the ECSA sub-region. It was agreed that Ms. Iannotti would write up a concept paper. The concept paper will be submitted to USAID/REDSO for support for this activity in the next quarter. Ms. Lwanga will provide technical assistance and support for this activity once funding is approved.

Kinday Samba met with and Dr. Serigne Mbaye Diene and Dr. Ismael Thiam from the BASICS II WARO to develop a proposal for follow-up technical assistance to support the effective integration and application of the disseminated tools and approaches presented at a joint BASICSII, SARA, IRSP workshop that was held in Benin in May 2002. The proposal supports follow-up of integration activities in a select number of schools who participated in the workshop in order to strengthen the technical capacities of trainers and improve access to up-to-date technical information linked to realities in the field. This proposal has been submitted to SARA and BASICS II headquarters for funding, and follow-up activities are scheduled to commence in April 2003.

5. Dissemination of promising practices in Africa through regional networks:

- **WAHO focal points**
- **CRHCS nutrition network**
- **Other nutrition and HIV networks.**

Expected Outputs:

- Support for one regional meeting each for WAHO nutrition focal points, CRHCS nutrition focal points network.
- Promising practices documented by CRHCS, WAHO and disseminated through existing networks.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this quarter.

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Technical Area: Maternal Health/Essential Obstetrical Care (EOC)

1. Develop and disseminate a program brief that refocuses the role of traditional birth attendants as part of a facility/community team to improve maternal health.

Expected Outputs:

- Program brief.
- Review and discussion by WHO RH focal points.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this period.

2. Provide continued strategic guidance and support on malaria in pregnancy.

Expected Outputs:

- Update of malaria in pregnancy briefing packet, development of additional fact sheets, etc.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

See SO 19, Malaria, Activity # 2 above. In addition, Rebecca Nigmann, Production Associate, updated and sent out a draft of the revised MIP brochure to the MIP working group for review and comment.

3. Work with WHO/AFRO and African Institutions to expand REDUCE/ALIVE initiative in Africa.

Expected Outputs:

- Monitoring tool.
- Monitoring reports.
- Increased advocacy for maternal health.
- Increased monitoring of advocacy impact.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

SARA staff held teleconferences with CRHCS and WHO/AFRO concerning the selection of the CRHCS consultant who will develop the monitoring tool. The scope of work was finalized with CRHCS and WHO-AFRO and the CRHCS consultant was selected. WHO/AFRO may hire its own consultant to work with the CRHCS one.

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Technical Area: Health Care Finance & Reform

General – Cross-Cutting
<p>1. Assist AFR/SD team as needed in managing the SO and IRs pertaining to health financing & sustainability of USAID programs.</p> <p><i>Expected Outputs:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Key information and updates provided to AFR/SD, field missions and cooperating agencies.• Peer reviews provided to consultant reports.• Dissemination meetings organized and attended. <p><i>Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:</i></p> <p>On behalf of AFR/SD, Oscar Picazo, SARA Health Finance and Reform Specialist, prepared a review and made a slide presentation on December 18, 2002, on health financing and sustainability issues as they affect USAID's child survival programs.</p>
<p>2. Provide technical support to AFR/SD, cooperating agencies, African governments and other donors on National Health Accounts.</p> <p><i>Expected Outputs:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• West African NHA Network launched.• NHA funding identified.• NHA work plans reviewed.• NHA draft reports reviewed. <p><i>Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:</i></p> <p>Oscar Picazo participated via phone and e-mail on the planning of the January 2003 West African NHA network in Dakar, Senegal.</p>
<p>3. Draft note on the role of USAID in sector-wide approaches (SWAp) & Health Sector Reform (HSR).</p> <p><i>Expected Outputs:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paper finalized, presented, & reviewed.• Follow-on work determined. <p><i>Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:</i></p> <p>No activity this quarter.</p>

4. Provide technical support to AFR/SD, other donors & cooperating agencies on how African countries and institutions can improve disbursement of donor funds, including GF-ATM.

Expected Outputs:

- TBD

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this quarter.

5. Finalize and disseminate the issues paper on human resource crisis in health in Africa.

Expected Outputs:

- Paper finalized and disseminated.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

The paper was finalized and will be printed and disseminated during the next quarter.

6. Participate in USAID's and other donors' human resource development working groups.

Expected Outputs:

- Issues identified for AFR/SD.
- Consultative meeting with cooperating agencies held and linkages with them and with other donors formulated.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Oscar Picazo and Dr. Stephen Kinoti, SARA HIV/AIDS Advisor, attended the periodic HR technical working group meetings at the World Bank. During this meeting, the participants discussed the conduct of the regular HCD Seminar series on various topics. During this period, it was decided that Mr. Picazo and Dr. Kinoti would present on Impact of HIV/AIDS on the Health and Education Workforce. They also noted the limited data on impacts of HIV/AIDS in the health sector. Accordingly, assessments by WHO and the ECSA Secretariat were reviewed. Finally, possible collaboration with MSH (Mary O'Neal) was discussed and will be followed up in the next quarter.

SARA participation in these meetings have led to: (a) a World Bank request for Trust Fund resources to support HR; (b) inclusion of an HR "box" in the 2004 World Development Report (draft of "box" article being finalized); (c) Rockefeller Foundation interest in funding global study on HR, and the setting up of six technical working groups to look at the issue.

On behalf of AFR/SD, Mr. Picazo also prepared and made a slide presentation on HIV/AIDS and Human Capacity Development at the DfID-organized consultative meeting with donors in London on October 2-3, 2002.

Dr. Kinoti and Mr. Picazo also assisted in facilitating the Human Capacity Development Module of the October 17-18, 2002 NGO/PVO meeting of the expanded response to HIV/AIDS.

7. Assist in defining the health financing, health economics, human resources and related activities that can be supported by SARA through CESAG, CRHCS and others TBD.

Expected Outputs:

- TBD in consultation with African institutions and AFR/SD.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this quarter.

8. Supervise the conduct of 2-3 country case assessments of the HR situation in Africa's health sector to inform global / regional discussions and recommendations on the issue: Kenya, others TBD.

Expected Outputs:

- Country HR analytical and advocacy teams organized.
- Draft report completed.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Preparation to start assessments of impacts of HIV/AIDS on the health workforce in Kenya and Malawi were undertaken with the ECSA Secretariat. The two countries approved the proposals and put in place financial management procedures for the funds relating to these assessments.

Health Sector Reform & Health Care Financing Support to SO 19

1. Participate in inter-agency working group on the private sector and child health.

Expected Outputs:

- Hugh Water's paper on Working with the Private Sector on Child Health disseminated.
- "Viewpoint" advocacy article on the role of the private sector in child health published.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Hugh Water's paper has been printed and distributed by the World Bank. All copies have been distributed, and reprinting is planned.

2. Participate as health economist in the global IMCI Analytic Review.

Expected Outputs:

- Draft of country health financing profiles.
- Draft of section on health financing in the synthesis report.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

As health economist of the AR Team, Oscar Picazo: (a) attended the London meeting in October 2002 to plan the team's country visits of the review and scope out the extent of the analytical activity; (b) visited Mali in October 2002 and produced a country child health and financing profile; (c) participated in the interviews of global stakeholders in child health in December 2002 and drafted minutes of the meetings and (d) searched relevant materials and documents pertaining to child health financing which will be used by the review team.

3. Draft concept notes / issues papers on the use of (a) franchising and (b) vouchers for child health services.

Expected Outputs:

- Paper completed, reviewed, finalized and disseminated.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this quarter.

SO 19: Adoption of Policies and Strategies for Increased sustainability, Quality, Efficiency, and Equity of Health Services

Technical Area: Expanded Program of Immunization (EPI)

1. Assist AFR/SD SO 19 EPI team in managing the EPI agenda, especially human resources/capacity development.

Expected Outputs:

- Assistance provided as needed.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Upon the request of USAID/AFR/SD, on December 16, 2002, Oscar Picazo and Dr. Youssef Tawfik provided a slide presentation on the epidemiological trends related to child health in Africa, as well as the socioeconomic, programmatic and institutional constraints faced by child health programs in the region. Dr. Suzanne Prysor-Jones and Dr. Sambe Duale were present at the presentation. The presentation launched a series of internal discussions within AFR/SD on USAID's future role as a major investor in child health in sub-Saharan Africa.

2. Dissemination and advocacy activities for EPI using African institutions (e.g., CRHCS or others).

Expected Outputs:

- Publications produced & disseminated.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this quarter.

SO 20: Policies and strategies for increased sustainability and quality of reproductive health services adopted

General – Related to overall SO
<p>1. Assist AFR/SD/HRD SO 20 team with managing the RH results packages.</p> <p><i>Expected Outputs:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Core team meetings.• Results packages completed & periodically updated.• Annual report completed annually.• Strategic support & guidance.• PMP updated. <p><i>Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:</i></p> <p>Eight core group meetings were held. Results packages were completed and updated for the Congressional Bulletin Journal. A draft of the RH chapter in the SARA annual report was completed. Finally, SO 20 budgeting meetings for FY03 and FY04 were also held. Holley Stewart, SARA Reproductive Health Advisor, and Antonia Wolff participated in all the activities.</p>
<p>2. Assist AFR/SD with tracking and monitoring performance & results.</p> <p><i>Expected Outputs:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• SD matrix inventorying activities.• Update meetings with SD CAs. <p><i>Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:</i></p> <p>Holley Stewart held update meetings with EngenderHealth, JHU/CCP, JHPEIGO/MNH, YouthNet and PRB/Measure.</p>
<p>3. Guidance to CA partners on dissemination and advocacy as related to documentation of projects.</p> <p><i>Expected Outputs:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Guidance provided as needed. <p><i>Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:</i></p> <p>Antonia Wolff provided technical assistance to Advance Africa in producing a strategic mapping tool.</p>

4. Assist SD and CAs in packaging and disseminating FP and RH findings.

Expected Outputs:

- TBD.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Holley Stewart drafted a table of contents for AFR/SD and SARA SO 20 and collected documents and materials to include on the CD-ROM of FP/RH findings.

5. Support to WAHO in conducting workshop and in the compilation of regional advocacy action plans for FP and MH.

Expected Outputs:

- Compilation of West African country action plans (ECOWAS).
- Provide TA to MH March 2003 workshop.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Holley Stewart facilitated WAHO's participation and co-hosting of the workshop with several teleconferences among SARA, AFR/SD, JHIPIEGO and MNH to finalize the scope and responsibilities of the various partners.

6. Program monitoring visits to West and East-Southern Africa.

Expected Outputs:

- Trip reports.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Holley Stewart attended joint planning meeting with REDSO, the ECSA Secretariat and SARA to review stakeholders' financial commitments to the ECSA Secretariat's work plan. She also met with the ECSA Secretariat's RH program coordinator and discussed its collaboration with WHO/AFRO and SARA on monitoring advocacy activities.

Addressing the reproductive health (RH) needs of underserved populations (Male Involvement & ARH)

1. Provide technical assistance on dissemination of findings of a multi-country study on *male involvement in RH*. Identify opportunities for dissemination of brief.

Expected Outputs:

- Brief to be included in RH briefing packet (French and English)
- Dissemination to RH e-mailing list.
- Translate summary brief in French.
- Put country report and summary brief onto a CD-ROM; make available to RESAR, EngenderHealth.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

The four country reports were finalized this quarter and a summary brief was written (English). These reports have been sent to RESAR to share with all the participating researchers. Translation of the brief, inclusion into the briefing packet, CD-ROM production, and developing a dissemination strategy will occur in the next quarter.

2. Provide guidance to YouthNet in development & implementation of SOW for Africa.

Expected Outputs:

- SOW developed & activity started.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Holley Stewart helped YouthNet develop a SOW and submitted it to AFR/SD. She also participated in a meeting with YouthNet, PRB, SARA and AF/SD to discuss linkages.

3. Support CERPOD and / or other African institutions to update information on adolescent RH in the region by conducting an in-depth analysis of new DHS data from the region.

Expected Outputs:

- Up-to-date information on ARH in at least four CERPOD member countries where new DHS and other data is involved.
- Wall chart or brochure presenting this new information in an accessible way.
- Development of dissemination strategy.
- Data turned into a PowerPoint presentation to be used at meetings.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this quarter.

<p>New strategies for incorporating STI/HIV/AIDS into other existing services adopted</p> <p>1. Provide support for addressing the integration of FP and HIV/AIDS programs.</p> <p><i>Expected Outputs:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide strategic guidance on issues papers / case studies to Policy II. • Provide review to fact sheets (Policy II will do). <p><i>Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:</i></p> <p>Policy consultants were identified for data collection and analysis in Kenya and Zambia.</p>
<p>New strategies for empowering women developed</p> <p>1. Explore possible support to FGC initiatives.</p> <p><i>Expected Outputs:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TBD depending on activities defined. <p><i>Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:</i></p> <p>PRB/Measure developed plans for a media training conference on FGC.</p>
<p>2. PAC analysis report and dissemination workshop.</p> <p><i>Expected Outputs:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Publication of report. • DC-based dissemination meeting on report to develop dissemination strategy. <p><i>Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:</i></p> <p>All chapters of the report were submitted by December 2002 by the various organizations. A core editorial team is meeting at SARA to review submission, discuss editorial process and budget for publication and dissemination.</p>
<p>Reproductive health policies / strategies promotion: Strategies to strengthen African regional capacity to plan, manage and implement reproductive health programs developed and promoted</p> <p>1. Support African institution to design & conduct a course on qualitative research techniques targeted to RH professionals in Francophone Africa.</p> <p><i>Expected Outputs:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curriculum, marketing plan for recruiting participants. • Training reports, including training evaluation. <p><i>Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:</i></p> <p>No activity this quarter.</p>

2. Support selected African Institutions in West Africa to link them with other agencies and institutions. Identify priority activities and comparative advantages of different institutions.

Expected Outputs:

- WAHO consultative meeting.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

It proved difficult to organize a teleconference among WAHO, AF/SD, SARA and UNICEF that all parties could participate in. In the meanwhile, JHPIEGO/MNH organized a dissemination workshop and SARA and AFR/SD discussed with it the possibility of WAHO's co-hosting it. WAHO's participation would allow the workshop to be more regionally focused and would work with country delegates to develop country action plans.

3. Provide technical assistance to CRHCS in development of an RH strategy.

Expected Outputs:

- Strategy that outlines the key priority RH areas of focus by CRHCS.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this quarter.

4. Technical support to CRHCS in developing materials for repositioning FP in RH programs to improve RH outcomes.

Expected Outputs:

- Electronic and print FP repositioning advocacy presentation materials specific to ECSA (link with other partners).
- Documentation.
- Regional and national advocacy action plans.
- Enhanced commitment to mobilize resources to integrate FP in RH.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this quarter.

5. Compile tools developed by SARA and SFPS on FP/RH.

Expected Outputs:

- Brochure in English and French, searchable CD-ROM and information posted to AFR/SD and SFPS websites.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

SFPS is supporting a consultant who is currently compiling all the tools developed by SFPS, and will present those in the next quarter. The plan to produce a CD-ROM and brochure should be carried out in the next two quarters.

6. Support WARP in finalizing donor mapping activity.

Expected Outputs:

- Summary and analysis of country donor mapping reports.
- Produce CD-ROM containing all country reports and summary report.
- Assist WARP in dissemination of CD-ROM.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

All of the consultants completed the agreed upon work, and submitted timely deliverables. Electronic reports were submitted by the consultants; however, the initial plan of summarizing and analyzing all country reports will not occur. WARP has decided not to make it a priority due the varying quality of the reports. Until further notice, SARA's role in this activity is over.

For work plan purposes, this activity is therefore completed.

7. Support regional African institutions / CAs in the policy monitoring for PAC (CEFOREP, if appropriate).

Expected Outputs:

- Development of policy monitoring strategy (report card for progress).
- Policy monitoring reports.
- Report on progress made in implementing policy resolutions in member states.
- CEFOREP's participation at SAGO.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Teleconferences were held with CEFOREP, Intrah/PRIME II, Futures/Policy, Population Council and JHPIEGO on CEFOREP's role with respect to the PAC initiative in Francophone Africa. A scope of work was also developed.

8. Provide agenda setting and technical advice to WHO Regional RH task force.

Expected Outputs:

- Agenda set with AFR/SD priorities included.
- Task force recommendations.
- Follow-up.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Holley Stewart attended the WHO regional RH task force meeting in October. She assisted with the development of recommendations and agenda setting.

Innovative advocacy strategies to increase support of expanded reproductive health programs developed and promoted

1. Extensive assessment of outcomes and results of West African media activities.

Expected Outputs:

- Final analysis report.
- Summary briefing booklet on the story of Pop' mediafrique (process, lessons learned and results).

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Both report and supporting briefs are being developed.

2. Conduct 2nd East and South Africa Women's journalist network seminar with a focus on repositioning FP in RH.

Expected Outputs:

- Multiple articles.
- Broadcast programs featuring FP and related RH issues.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

The seminar will be held January 28-31, 2003, in Nairobi on RH: Family Planning, HIV/AIDS and domestic violence.

3. Continue to contribute to the Media Advocacy program in Senegal.

Expected Outputs:

- Enhanced policy environment via the media for local partner NGO for HIV/AIDS advocacy.
- Capacity building with local partner NGOs.
- Media articles / broadcast programs.
- Quarterly newsletter for journalists.
- Maintenance of THIAT listserv group comprised of journalists, donors and health specialists.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

The quarterly newsletter for journalists, “SIDA Media Flash,” was produced in September 2002. In addition, the THIAT listserv now has 65 members and is serving as an active and productive forum for exchange on RH and HIV/AIDS issues in the sub-region.

4. Explore activities to promote and advocate for the repositioning of FP in RH programs.

Expected Outputs:

- Develop and distribute info packets and advocacy tools.
- Develop RH CD-ROM and disseminate.
- Inclusion in CRHCS, WHO / AFRO and WAHO RH strategies.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Holley Stewart began working with CRHCS to develop a RH strategy that will feature birthspacing/family planning as a key intervention for promoting child survival and maternal health.

In October 2002, SARA staff worked with the WHO-AFRO RH Regional Task Force to develop recommendations.

In addition, the development of a CD-ROM that contains an information brief on repositioning FP is underway. Finalization and dissemination of the CD-ROM will occur in the next quarter.

5. Conduct regional seminar for Pop’mediafrique and Fem’mediafrique network members in West Africa on a topic TBD.

Expected Outputs:

- Seminar report.
- Follow-up monitoring of articles / broadcasts related to topic TBD.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Activity TBD. The identification of relevant regional conferences or events to cover is in process.

Strategies for improved coordination among stakeholders and / or partners for RH programs developed and promoted

1. Provide technical support as needed to AFR/SD and African institutions on aspects related to costing, financing, cost-effectiveness and sustainability of FP, reproductive health and maternal health / safe motherhood programs.

Expected Outputs:

- Key information and updates provided to AFR/SD, field missions and cooperating sponsors.
- Peer reviews provided to consultant reports.
- Dissemination meetings attended.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Oscar Picazo reviewed the cost-effectiveness study on breastfeeding being done by Abt Associates for Ghana. He also provided guidance to the World Bank's thematic group intern in locating relevant materials dealing with contracting of health services.

2. Support WHO / AFRO on upgrading capacity of African governments for mobilizing RH resources.

Expected Outputs:

- Strategy developed.
- Partnerships formed.
- Activities pursued by WHO / AFRO with SARA input.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this quarter.

3. Support to Advance Africa to produce and disseminate a strategic mapping manual.

Expected Outputs:

- Manual developed and disseminated.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

In December, Antonia Wolff met with the Advance Africa team to discuss issues related to developing a strategic mapping manual. Ms. Wolff will continue to work with Advance Africa in the next quarter in order to help them finalize the tool and develop a dissemination strategy.

SO 21: Adoption of Cost-effective Strategies to Prevent and Mitigate the Impact of HIV/AIDS

Enhanced coordination of partners to support HIV/AIDS programs in Africa

1. Assist AFR/SD/HRD Team, as needed, in managing the HIV/AIDS Results package.

Expected Outputs:

- Core team meetings held.
- SO 21 portfolio reviews organized.
- Performance monitoring plan drafted.
- Peer reviews organized & expert advice provided.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Two Core Team meetings were held in which a self-assessment tool drafted by Peter McDermott, AFR/SD, was finalized and used to review FY 2002 achievements. Based on the results and experiences, the FY 2003 work plan was developed.

In addition, the SARA team continued to respond to requests from AFR/SD on multisectoral HIV/AIDS response from Ishrat Husain, as well as strengthening greater involvement of PLWHA, e.g., NAPA, from Ron MacInnis.

2. Participate in the Global and Africa Bureau's Implementation Working Group (IWG) consultations and the HIV/AIDS New Indicators Group (HANIG) activities.

Expected Outputs:

- Reports of meetings.
- Follow-up actions developed based on the recommendations.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Dr. Stephen Kinoti continued to attend the HANIG meetings and provided inputs to the capacity development monitoring component of the indicators.

3. Work closely with REDSO/ESA to coordinate activities with African institutions.

Expected Outputs:

- Joint REDSO/SARA/CRHCS activity plans developed and implemented, reports shared.
- Partners meetings attended, reports developed.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

SARA participated in the REDSO Joint Planning meeting in which priority activities to be implemented over FY 2003 were identified, budgets developed and plans for final implementation notifications approvals were agreed upon. Agreement on the conduct of future joint planning meeting was reached to include ample prior planning, documentation needed for the meeting, institutions to participate and the facilitation of the meetings.

At this meeting, Dr. Suzanne Prysor-Jones reviewed the SARA/CRHCS collaboration and support provided by SARA, including institutional strengthening undertaken, such as support for the HIV/AIDS Coordinator, financial sustainability of the ECSA Health Community Secretariat (overheads, direct costs); coaching and other forms of technical assistance.

Dr. Stephen Kinoti facilitated the plenary sessions on the first and second days and the working group sessions throughout the meeting.

Holley Stewart worked closely with Dr. Ominde Achola, the Coordinator, Family and Reproductive Health of the ECSA Health Community Secretariat, in the development of 2003 SARA/ECSA/REDSO collaborative activities.

Finally, SARA work plans were shared. These provided a template for the development of summary activity plans.

4. Coordination with partner agencies on HIV/AIDS initiatives in Africa.

Expected Outputs:

- SARA staff involved in meetings & electronic exchanges with partners.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

In October 2002, SARA staff participated and presented a paper on, "Contribution towards Improved Women's and Children's Health in Africa," at the Third Annual Women's' and Children's' Health Symposium: A Multi-Sectoral Approach to Development Assistance", organized by Opportunities Industrialization Centers International in Washington DC. The main issues centered on opportunities to strengthen HIV/AIDS response in Africa.

African Institutions/Capacity Building

1. Technical support for increased African capacity to provide quality care, treatment and support for HIV/AIDS.

Expected Outputs:

- African institutions review and update pre-service curricula on issues related to HIV/AIDS (ECSA follow-up).
- Training carried out for HIV/AIDS/PMTCT in collaboration with RATN.
- Regional training given to HIV/AIDS program managers (RATN).
- Ambassadors of Hope trained and carrying out their mission; Ambassadors' toolkit produced.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Follow-up discussions were held with the ECSA Secretariat on the rollout of the review and updating of pre-service curricula on issues related to HIV/AIDS. 5 countries are initiating the updating process (Kenya, Mauritius, Tanzania, Lesotho, Uganda).

Training for HIV/AIDS/PMTCT in collaboration with RATN is being implemented by NARESA and University of Witwatersrand.

Discussions were undertaken with RATN on funding of training in HIV/AIDS program managers in management.

Deliverables for the finalized sub-contract with NAP+ were reviewed and accepted. Discussions on future support to NAP+ were held with AFR/SD.

2. Support to the HIV/AIDS Coordinator at the CRHCS.

Expected Outputs:

- Salary of the Coordinator provided with REDSO co-funding.
 - Work plan carried out.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

The salary of the Coordinator was provided with REDSO co-funding.

The work plan of SARA-supported activities was discussed at the joint planning meeting organized by REDSO.

3. Support to HIV/AIDS Policy Advisory Committee.

Expected Outputs:

- Functional HAPAC that monitors policies and provides guidance for country programming.
- Appropriate policies developed, adopted and monitored.
- Best practices identified and information disseminated.
- Improved collaboration among SADC, ECSA Secretariat, EAC and emerging networks.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

The National AIDS Commissions (NACs) and AIDS Control Programs (ACPs) joint consultation on roles and functions was undertaken in Kampala with TA and support from SARA. The HAPAC met in Kampala and synthesized recommendations on the roles and functions of NACs and ACPs for presentation to the Regional Health Ministers conference, which monitors policies and provides guidance for country programming. Among the recommendations made to the Health Ministers was improved collaboration among SADC, the ECSA Secretariat, the East African Community, the African Economic Commission and emerging intergovernmental organizations such as the African Union and NEPAD.

Finally, the Regional Health Ministers' Conference was held to receive recommendations of the HAPAC and Joint NACs and ACPs consultations.

4. Strengthen capacity for M&E of HIV/AIDS programs in West Africa.

Expected Outputs:

- HIV/AIDS consultants hired by CERPOD.
- Dissemination of guidelines and tools.
- Training workshop on M&E targeted at NGOs and regional networks carried out.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Discussions are still ongoing on the future of this activity under the "new" CERPOD.

5. Multisectoral HIV/AIDS advocacy and information dissemination through African institutions and networks.

Expected Outputs:

- Information briefs and/or advocacy documents produced and disseminated.
- Network meetings co-sponsored.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Dr. Stephen Kinoti continued to advocate with PRB and other agencies for funds to support the position of Information, Communication and Technology (ITC) Coordinator for the ECSA Secretariat, as provided for in the SARA subcontract. He also provided advocacy information to ECSA Ministers and Directors on introducing anti-retroviral therapy (ART) on a large scale and strengthening human resources for health

6. Support collaborative activities with WAHO on HIV/AIDS and ECOWAS armed forces.

Expected Outputs:

- TA provided by SARA staff and consultants.
- Advocacy materials prepared and disseminated.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this period.

7. Participation in the XIIIth ICASA Conference in Nairobi, September 2003.

Expected Outputs:

- SARA participation.
- Advocacy materials prepared and disseminated.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Dr. Bannet Ndyabangi initiated discussions in preparation for the XIIIth ICASA Conference in Nairobi, September 2003. Initial thoughts were that the ECSA HIV/AIDS Program would conduct a satellite meeting in which results of the ongoing assessment of the impacts of HIV/AIDS on the health work force would be discussed. These plans will be finalized in the second quarter 2003.

8. Review of pre-service training curricula in the era of HIV/AIDS in West Africa (WAHO).

Expected Outputs:

- Medical, nursing and allied health training curricula reviewed and updated.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this period.

Improved Strategies and Models

1. Support improved development and management of human resources in the health sector.

Expected Outputs:

- Two countries collect and analyze data and make recommendations for strengthening HCD.
- Findings from the country assessments used to advocate for improved HR development and management in the ECSA region.
- HCD strategies developed and supported in SSA by a coalition of agencies (e.g., WHO, World Bank, USAID, DfID)
- Impact of HIV/AIDS on the health system in ECSA addressed.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

The Malawi and Kenyan teams finalized preparations to start fieldwork for data collection on impacts of HIV/AIDS on the health workforce.

Discussions with the World Bank and MSH on a broader national HCD effort in Kenya were undertaken. Meanwhile, work to finalize the paper of the Impact of HIV/AIDS on the Health Sector: The issue of Human Resources continued.

2. Support development and adoption of improved policies and evidence-based implementation guidelines for prevention of mother-to-child transmission of HIV (with special attention to prevention of postnatal HIV transmission).

Expected Outputs:

- Global HIV and infant feeding guidelines/recommendations updated based on new evidence.
- WHO/AFR/SARA tools finalized, produced and disseminated.
- International and bilateral agencies use tools to support training and improved counseling on HIV and infant feeding.
- International and bilateral agencies support research (operational, clinical) on HIV and infant feeding / reducing postnatal HIV transmission.
- African governments and / or service delivery organizations develop PMTCT guidelines (that are consistent with AFR guidance), with evidence of intent to implement them.
- USAID missions allocate resources and develop plans for PMTCT programs or for scaling them up.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Dr. Ellen Piwoz gave presentations at the World Bank and USAID on HIV and infant feeding in November and December 2003. The presentations included a summary of the literature, research findings on vitamin A and MTCT, and use of the LINKAGES risk analysis model to compare HIV-free survival by 24 months with different infant feeding interventions. The latter analysis was specifically oriented toward use of evidence for sound infant feeding policy in the Presidential PMTCT Initiative countries.

The paper, "Introducing ART on a large scale: Hope and Caution," written by Youssef Tawfik, Stephen Kinoti and Chad Blain of AED's Netmark Project was disseminated widely to National AIDS Commissions and AIDS Control Programs at their meetings, through mailing and PDF versions electronically.

3. Support adaptation and initial use of Policy Monitoring tool at regional and country level.

Expected Outputs:

- Guideline for Policy Analysis & monitoring developed, produced & disseminated.
- Orientation of countries in Policy Monitoring.
- Monitoring and evaluation of regional Health Ministers' resolutions on HIV/AIDS undertaken by ECSA Secretariat in at least 5 countries in ECSA.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

This activity was completed during the reporting period.

HIV/AIDS an Nutrition, Prevention of PMTCT

1. Strengthen African Partners' Capacity for (a) Operations and formative research on HIV and infant feeding / MTCT issues; (b) inclusion of nutrition and HIV/AIDS in pre-service curricula.

Expected Outputs:

- OR and FR proposals developed and funded with AFR-SARA technical support / inputs.
- Findings reported and disseminated.
- Pre-service curricula updated on issues related to MTCT.
- Modules for inclusion in pre-service curricula finalized and disseminated.
- Modules adapted for ECSA region nursing pre-service training institutions.
- Follow-up on use of modules in pre-service curricula.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Dr. Ellen Piwoz was a technical facilitator at a WHO-sponsored workshop on operations research on HIV and infant feeding. Participants came from Zambia, Zimbabwe, South Africa, Nigeria, India and the Czech Republic. The purpose of the workshop was to introduce formative research on HIV and infant feeding, and to assist research teams with the preparation of fundable proposals for small operational studies on infant feeding counseling and support in the context of HIV and PMTCT programs.

Dorcas Lwanga provided technical assistance to RCQHC in an activity to integrate nutrition for HIV/AIDS into pre-service curricula. RCQHC asked Ms. Lwanga to develop a module addressing nutrition care and support for HIV-positive pregnant and lactating women or adolescents. This is one of several modules making up a toolkit for tutors on food and nutrition and HIV/AIDS. The module was finalized this quarter and submitted to RCQHC for review and editing. A final draft of the toolkit including all modules is expected by end March 2003.

Ms. Lwanga held discussions over the phone with CRHCS nutrition coordinator Ms. Boitshepo Giyose and face to face with Lora Iannotti of LINKAGES to plan for the adaptation of the modules developed for RCQHC for use in integrating nutrition and HIV/AIDS into pre-service training, and into the pre-service curricula of nurses and midwives in the ECSA region. Adaptation of these modules is scheduled to begin in March 2003. Ms. Lwanga will provide technical assistance for this activity.

2. Visits to African institutions and networks to increase involvement in nutrition as well as in nutrition and HIV/AIDS issues.

Expected Outputs:

- Expert advice / input provided.
- Activities for WA identified and discussed.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this quarter.

3. Global technical leadership for HIV/AIDS and nutrition issues and for PMTCT: (a) intervention research on HIV, infant feeding and nutrition; (b) technical assistance to international partners.

Expected Outputs:

- Technical support / expert advice provided to ZVITAMBO, Malawi and Ghana.
- Research results published.
- Technical presentations given.
- TAG meetings attended.
- WHO maternal nutrition and infant feeding technical guidelines for MTCT-plus prepared, reviewed and disseminated.
- Technical consultation on nutrition organized by WHO held.
- Technical support provided to regional and national institutions in developing national nutrition guidelines for PLWHA and integration into national policy and implementation guidelines (Burkina Faso, Ghana and Nigeria).
- National nutrition care and support guidelines drafted with SARA TA (same countries).
- Policy guidelines for nutrition care and support developed, reviewed and finalized.
- Presentations given, reviews conducted and disseminated for / with other partners as needed.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

In October 2002, Dr Ellen Piwoz prepared a presentation on HIV and infant feeding for the Conference of the International Society of Human Milk and Lactation Research, held in Mexico City. Unfortunately, due to family circumstances, she was unable to give the presentation. However, the ZVITAMBO collaborator, Dr. Jean Humphrey, was able to make the presentation on behalf of SARA. The paper from this work will be published in 2003 in a book containing conference proceedings and major presentations.

Dr. Piwoz provided technical assistance to the ZVITAMBO project in November 2002. During this brief visit, she helped to develop a plan for the analysis of the infant feeding and MTCT data, including the titles of analysis papers and the roles and responsibilities.

In November 2002, Dr. Piwoz provided technical assistance to WHO/Geneva's HIV Prevention Program to review the technical guidelines for care, treatment and support of HIV-infected women and children. She prepared the chapter on nutrition care and support for women and contributed to the chapter on infant care. Dr. Piwoz also provided technical support to the Department of Nutrition for Health and Development to plan a technical consultation on nutritional requirements for people living with HIV/AIDS. This consultation will be held in May 2003.

In December 2002, Dr. Piwoz traveled to Storrs, Connecticut, to meet with Ghanaian university faculty working on a new NIH-funded capacity development project on HIV, infant feeding and food security. The project is a collaboration effort between the University of Legon, University of Connecticut and Iowa State University/Ames. The purpose of the meeting was to give technical guidance to the team as they develop their work plan for this project.

Kinday Samba attended a 3-day WHO/AFRO consultation at which the ECSA draft regional policy guidelines for the provision of nutrition care and support of PLWHA were reviewed. A scope of work for collaboration between WHO/AFRO and SARA in 2003 to support the development of national nutrition guideline for PLWHA (in Nigeria, Ghana and Burkina Faso) similar to the process used in the ECSA region, and a workshop to develop capacity in HIV and Nutrition for nutrition and HIV managers in the West Africa region was developed. Work in this area is slated to start in the next quarter once the memorandum of understanding between both parties has been signed.

4. Develop and test tools for improved programming: (a) HIV and infant feeding; (b) nutrition care and support.

Expected Outputs:

- Counseling tools for HIV and infant feeding pre-tested and finalized with WHO.
- Materials produced and disseminated.
- Tools for formative research on HIV / infant feeding issues drafted, reviewed, finalized and disseminated with WHO.
- Tool kit developed for counseling on nutrition care and support for PLWHA in the ECSA sub-region.
- One regional workshop held to review and finalize draft of the counseling tool kit.
- Handbook finalized on development of national nutrition care and support guidelines for PLWHA.
- Number of national guidelines on development of national nutrition care and support guidelines for PLWHA and policy guidelines for integration of national nutrition care and support into national policy produced with SARA TA in ESA and West Africa sub-regions increased.
- Policy guidelines for NCS developed, reviewed, finalized in ESA sub-region.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Dr. Ellen Piwoz and Liz Thomas completed the draft of the tools for counseling HIV-infected women on infant feeding options. This version of the draft takes into account all reviewers' comments and is now ready for field testing. The protocol for testing the tools was also developed this quarter. Although field testing was originally planned for Botswana, the site has now been changed to South Africa. WHO has initiated discussions with the National Department of Health concerning this activity. The field test is scheduled for April 2003.

Dr. Piwoz revised the draft tool on formative research on HIV and infant feeding for WHO. The tool was shared with participants at the WHO workshop on operations research on HIV and infant feeding. The final tool will be completed in February 2003.

Dorcas Lwanga is working in collaboration with RCQHC, LINKAGES and FANTA to provide technical assistance in the development of a nutrition and HIV/AIDS counseling tool kit for community level programming. Ms. Lwanga drafted a concept paper for this activity this quarter and submitted it for review and feedback in December 2002. Work on this activity will continue in the next quarter. A final draft of the concept paper is expected to be submitted to USAID/REDSO in February 2003.

<p>Multisectoral Initiatives</p> <p>1. ECSAIDS Initiative: Helping Governments of ECSA region access and use funds to support HIV/AIDS & related health programs.</p> <p><i>Expected Outputs:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joint consultations held with partners & at country level. • Strategy document developed. • Activities & capacity to implement these activities developed. <p><i>Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:</i></p> <p>Discussions on how best to help Governments of the ECSA region access and use funds to support HIV/AIDS & related health programs continued. A concept outline paper was developed.</p>
<p>2. USAID/AFR strategy for private sector involvement in HIV/AIDS activities in Africa.</p> <p><i>Expected Outputs:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SOW for a PVO work & African businesses. • Help manage the purchase order or sub-contract that results. <p><i>Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:</i></p> <p>SARA consultant Percy Wilson visited Nigeria and has successfully constituted a Working Group consisting of USAID mission and US businesses in Nigeria, including Coca Cola, Exxon, and Mobil, among others. The Nigeria NACA is involved.</p> <p>Possibilities of starting similar work in Kenya were discussed.</p>
<p>Monitoring of HIV/AIDS Programs</p> <p>1. Support initial country monitoring of policies related to HIV/AIDS.</p> <p><i>Expected Outputs:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy monitoring undertaken • Status reports produced and disseminated <p><i>Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:</i></p> <p>Work led by Olive Munjanja of the ECSA Secretariat was initiated to monitor policies, including those on HIV/AIDS in ECSA member states with support from SARA. The work is at different stages in Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Tanzania, Zambia, Uganda and Zimbabwe. Results are expected during the coming quarter.</p>

Health Sector Reform and Health Care Financing Support to SO 21
<p>1. Provide technical support to RATN on aspects related to human resource management, financing and sustainability.</p> <p><i>Expected Outputs:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SOW developed by the CRHCS • Adaptation of the SOW by 2 selected countries • Assessments undertaken in 2 countries & results disseminated & advocacy plans developed <p><i>Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:</i></p> <p>Dr. Stephen Kinoti provided technical assistance to RATN in the development of the health management course for HIV/AIDS managers. He also supported the experts meeting that decided on course content and helped develop a tool for evaluating proposals from institutions interested in providing the training. Finally, he assisted in the selection of the training institutions.</p>
<p>2. Provide technical support to ECSA/CRHCS and member-countries on how they can access the Global fund for AIDS, TB and Malaria.</p> <p><i>Expected Outputs:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical assistance provided • Meetings held with stakeholders <p><i>Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:</i></p> <p>No activity this quarter.</p>
<p>3. Work with AFR/SD and G Bureaus on drafting paper on the impact of HIV/AIDS on labor force and employment for the AGOA conference.</p> <p><i>Expected Outputs:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information and guidance provided to consultant • Paper reviewed, completed and presented <p><i>Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:</i></p> <p>SARA assisted consultant Bill Rau and Ishrat Husain, Office of AIDS, in locating relevant materials from ILO, UNAIDS, UNESCO, and other sources. SARA staff also participated in meetings and teleconferences to finalize the consultant scope of work and draft presentation outline.</p>

Dissemination & Advocacy Support to SO 21**1. Reproduce and disseminate Mali video on women living with AIDS to combat stigma in West Africa.*****Expected Outputs:***

- Video duplicated and disseminated according to strategy

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

The SARA project agreed to pay for the cost of acquiring a master video tape, which is needed in order to make the duplications. Duplicates will be made and copies disseminated in the next quarter.

2. Produce and disseminate key documents.***Expected Outputs:***

- Documents in Comments column produced and disseminated

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

The Multisectoral Meeting report was produced and disseminated. Two papers on HIV/HR are being drafted and will be published in the next quarter. 621 copies of the HIV/AIDS & Nutrition report were disseminated, as well as 507 copies of the PMTCT guide disseminated. The PVO compendium is in the final review and editing stages, and will be produced in the next quarter.

SO 22: **Improved Policies, Strategies and Programs for Preventing, Mitigating and Transition out of Crises**

Technical Area: **Epidemic Preparedness**

Technical support to AFR/SD on Epidemic Preparedness and Response, and Transition Initiatives.

Expected Outputs:

- Review meetings held
- TA provided for the development and production of the RP

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

See SO 19 Infectious Diseases, activity # 2.

SO: **Polio**

Technical Area: **Polio**

1. Assist AFR/SD in the implementation of their SO 24 portfolio.

Expected Outputs:

- Assistance provided as needed.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

This quarter, Antonia Wolff participated in the WHO/AFRO 2002 Annual Communication and Social Mobilization Advisory Meeting in Harare, Zimbabwe. This conference provides a forum by which mobilizers and communication specialists can meet and share experiences around polio eradication efforts.

2. Continue assisting WHO/AFRO on dissemination and advocacy.

Expected Outputs:

- TBD

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Antonia Wolff provided assistance to WHO/AFRO during an expert working group meeting to plan the review and document lessons learned in the implementation of Integrated Disease Surveillance and Response (IDSR) in Africa. The group convened in Harare, Zimbabwe, in November to develop a protocol, tools and timetable for the documentation activity.

Ms. Wolff presented and facilitated a dissemination workshop for the IDSR Task Force group, which includes representatives from WHO/AFRO, WHO/HQ, WHO/Lyon, WHO/Regional Representatives, USAID, CD-ROMC and technical consultants. The workshop used participatory methodologies combining large and small group work. The learning objectives of the workshop were to understand the process of dissemination, understand why dissemination is important, understand what is necessary for effective dissemination, and understand what the main constraints are in disseminating materials.

During the workshop Ms. Wolff presented various interventions and presentation on dissemination, which helped focus the IDSR review group on the development of the data collection instrument and the kinds of information they should collect, but it also served the purpose of team building. Ms. Wolff provided technical guidance on dissemination strategies and ended the session with a draft work plan that identified the desired deliverables, included a dissemination strategy for those deliverables, determined who will be responsible for producing the deliverables, and when action needs to occur. The work plan also identifies next steps and follow up actions.

SO: Cross-cutting

Technical Area: Various areas – Monitoring and Evaluation Activities

1. Assist AFR/SD/HRD SO 19, 20 and 21 with monitoring & evaluation as required.

Expected Outputs:

- Expert advice provided.
- M&E system functioning.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

See next item. There was no other activity this quarter.

2. Finalize the Data Quality Assessment of AFR/SD Indicators for SO 19, 20, 21 and 24.

Expected Outputs:

- Data Quality Assessment documents finalized, produced and disseminated.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

This activity was completed this period. SARA delivered the final report to AFR/SD.

3. Consultative meeting on issues and lessons learned in building public health capacity in West and Central Africa.

Expected Outputs:

- Meeting organized.
- Issues and lessons learned paper produced and disseminated.
- Presentation done at the AfriHealth Regional Conference.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Dr. Sambe Duale was invited to join an AfriHealth Working Group Meeting held November 15-17, 2002, in Arusha. AfriHealth is a Rockefeller Foundation-sponsored project chaired by Prof. Carl Ijsselmuiden of the School of Health Systems and Public Health of the University of Pretoria. The main objectives of the project are to 1) develop a continental approach to improving public health in line with new socio-political realities of Africa; 2) strengthen public health capacity by networking, and 3) promote technology-supported learning. Dr. Duale shared with the group some lessons learned in trying to revitalize the Network of African Public Health Training Institutions (NAPHI). He has facilitated contact between WAHO, WHO/AFRO and the Regional Public Health Training Institution located in Benin to exchange ideas on how to move this activity forward. WAHO is in the process of preparing a concept paper for this activity.

4. Support for the strategic planning and institutional development of WAHO.

Expected Outputs:

- TA provided to WAHO.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

SARA tried to organize a study tour of WAHO leadership at ECSA Health Community Secretariat in Arusha in November. Unfortunately, the whole plan failed because of last minute scheduling conflicts on WAHO's part.

5. Technical analysis and expert support for the USAID West Africa Regional Program (WARP).

Expected Outputs:

- TA provided to WARP.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

SARA has advised WARP and AFR/SD on the proposed evaluation and repositioning of CERPOD. WARP would like SARA to provide technical services for this exercise. WARP is in the process of drafting the SOW for the evaluation.

6. Dissemination of CERPOD self-evaluation guide (French and English).

Expected Outputs:

- Manual produced, disseminated and used.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

750 copies of the French self-evaluation guide were printed in September 2001. Thus far, SARA has fulfilled 46 requests for 452 copies. A total of 506 copies have been disseminated. Plans for printing the English version are underway and slated for next quarter.

7. Follow-up with CORE on education and health linkages.

Expected Outputs:

- Follow-up done.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this quarter.

8. Technical support for the management and maintenance of the CERTI Website.

Expected Outputs:

- Moderation & quality assurance of materials posted on website.
- Site maintained

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this period.

SO: Cross-cutting

Technical Area: Dissemination and advocacy

Result ia: Capacity to Advocate

1. Provide the Advocacy Guide to groups to use it (African institutions, CAs, etc.) on request.

Expected Outputs:

- Advocacy Guide provided to selected groups.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

This quarter, 209 copies of the advocacy guide were disseminated.

2. Assess the advocacy training to see whether & how participants have used their skills.

Expected Outputs:

- Follow-up completed.
- Recommendations made for future.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Several organizations requested and received permission to include the Guide as a resource. In particular, the International Alliance for HIV/AIDS has included it on their interactive CD-ROM and web site as a resource for advocacy.

Result ib: Capacity to Disseminate Information

3. Assist CRHCS in strengthening its info communication activities by developing strategy and hiring an appropriate staff person.

Expected Outputs:

- Communication strategy developed.
- Staff person recruited and hired.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Some discussions were held with PRB to discuss ways to link with CRHCS to provide information-related support to the organization and in particular to the information program. SARA/PRB have requested that ECSA prepare a Terms of Reference for an Information and Communication Coordinator and expect that in the next quarter.

4. Work with Namibian web competition team to document experience and explore how to replicate it in other ECSA countries.

Expected Outputs:

- Namibia experience documented.
- Collaboration with other regional organizations and donors to replicate experience in one other country.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this quarter.

5. Work with African institutions to build capacity in dissemination and repackaging information.

Expected Outputs:

- Workshops with partners.
- Information dissemination.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Antonia Wolff provided technical guidance to WHO/AFRO's IDSR planning committee on how to disseminate information gathered during documentation planned in 6 countries. This involved conducting a dissemination workshop for WHO/AFRO's Infectious Disease Surveillance and Response team in Harare in November.

Ms. Wolff also participated in the 2002 Annual Polio Communication and Social Mobilization Advisory Meeting sponsored by WHO/AFRO.

6. Assist African institutions in repackaging information on an as needed basis.

Expected Outputs:

- Information repackaged and appropriately disseminated.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

The SARA Project assisted CRHCS to develop a policy guide that CRHCS published this quarter.

7. Collaborate with other USAID Projects.

Expected Outputs:

- Dissemination of priority issues improved for selected projects.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Antonia Wolff provided technical assistance to Advance Africa in producing a strategic mapping tool. SARA contributed to the USAID HIV e-newsletter. Ms. Wolff also worked with Africa Alive, and the Population, Nutrition and Health Information Project (PHNIP) to develop briefs that have been incorporated into a briefing packet.

8. Develop series of Dissemination Briefs to assist projects & African institutions in developing & carrying out a dissemination strategy.

Expected Outputs:

- Dissemination briefs developed
- Dissemination strategy developed & implemented

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this quarter.

Result ic: Capacity to Communicate Electronically

9. Link selected African institution personnel to e-communication opportunities through CRHCS.

Expected Outputs:

- Selected personnel linked to opportunities
 - Evaluate executive training program.
 - Links made between PRB and CRHCS for electronic networking activity.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this quarter.

Result iia: Materials Development and Production

10. Design and package information in appropriate formats (books, syntheses, executive summaries, e-notes, policy briefs/brochures, tools).

Expected Outputs:

- Selected information designed and packaged.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

SARA is in the process of updating and revising the Malaria and Pregnancy brochure. A review team has been selected and work is underway. Also, as discussed above, Antonia Wolff worked with Africa Alive, and the Population, Nutrition and Health Information Project (PHNIP), to develop briefs that have been incorporated into a briefing packet.

11. Dissemination of key AFR/SD-SARA cross-cutting products as requested.

Expected Outputs:

- Products disseminated.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Four key publications that were disseminated this quarter were:

- HIV/AIDS & Nutrition 621 copies
- PMTCT 509 copies
- IMCI 430 copies
- Making a Difference to Policies. 397 copies

1,957 of these four documents were disseminated out of a total of 4,524 SARA documents disseminated.

12. Assessments of use of AFR/SD/HRD-SARA products (2 documents/year)

- Research Guide and AIDS Briefs
- Possibly malaria brochure and press kits.

Expected Outputs:

- Use of documents assessed & presentation given.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this quarter.

Result iib: Dissemination Channels

13. Mail documents to targeted mailing list .

Expected Outputs:

- Documents mailed.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

This activity is on-going; however, SARA has cut down on mailing unsolicited documents to targeted groups. Rather, the SARA production team responds to requests generated by the internet or by sign-up sheets at conferences, workshops etc.

14. Explore new opportunities to disseminate more information electronically, through e-mail, Internet, etc., especially through e-mail groups.

Expected Outputs:

- E-mail lists.
- Fewer documents mailed.
- Increased number of documents on Internet.

- Increased number of hits.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

The quarterly publications list continues to be broadcast every quarter. Also the list is kept current by updating every three months. Many requests for documents are being met by sending PDF versions of our publications electronically.

15. SARA, AFR and USAID Website maintenance + publications updates.

Expected Outputs:

- Website reviewed and updated on periodic basis.
- Publications list moved to USAID site.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

This activity is on-going. The publications list on the SARA website is updated with references to the electronic versions of the publications as they become available. USAID website is updated at the same time.

16. Promote information through various listservs (AFRONETS, ReproHlth, WB, AHILANet) .

Expected Outputs:

- Information promoted as needed.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

No activity this quarter.

17. Develop and send via e-mail quarterly announcement of AFR/SD publications/products.

Expected Outputs:

- Broadcast e-mail sent quarterly.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

The quarterly publications list continues to be broadcast every quarter. Also the list is kept current by updating every three months.

18. Explore interactive CD-ROM development. Assess whether SARA should design an interactive CD-ROM and develop it, if appropriate.

Expected Outputs:

- New activities of this nature identified, including whether SARA should do CD-ROM.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

The SARA production team began compiling electronic files for its first interactive CD-ROM this quarter. This CD-ROM is being produced for the Reproductive Health SO, and will contain posters, reports, briefs, tools, etc. all in an electronic format, that will be produced and disseminated in the next quarter.

19. Assess use of CD-ROMS in Africa.

Expected Outputs:

- Reports from surveys conducted at various forums.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Last quarter, the SARA project conducted a survey to better understand accessibility and use of CD-ROM technology in Africa. A survey was taken in September 2002 at the Nutrition Focal Points Network meeting, attended mostly by West African country representatives, and the analysis was undertaken this quarter. The results indicate a strong case for increasing and expanding the use of CD-ROM technology as a means to disseminate information in Africa. Out of 20 respondents, 19 reported that they not only had access to a computer with a CD-ROM, but that they used CD-ROM's in their general computer use. A vast majority of the respondents had access to computers at work, either at their own desk or at a shared terminal and generally used these computers every day, and throughout the day. The respondents reported that they evenly receive information via hard copy, CD-ROM and internet, however their preferred mode was to receive information via the internet or CD-ROM.

Another survey was taken this quarter, and the analysis of that will be undertaken in the next quarter.

20. Analyze tracking information on major SARA publications.

Expected Outputs:

- Information analyzed.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

Information is analyzed upon request.

Result 3: Dissemination and Advocacy Activities Incorporated into AFR/SD SOs

21. Provide TA to all AFR/SD/HRD teams to ensure that RPs have dissemination & advocacy built into activities.

Expected Outputs:

- TA given & dissemination & advocacy activities reviewed.

Progress toward outputs, problems encountered, proposed solutions:

This activity is ongoing. Either Renuka Bery, SARA Dissemination and Advocacy Manager, or Antonia Wolff is a member of every core group.

**Attachment: Status of CTO Letters Approved to Date
Through December 31, 2002**

CTO Ltr.	Activity Name	Activity Manager	Submitted	Approved	Status
100	Piwoz TA on HIV and infant feeding, research in Zimbabwe and South Africa	Prysor-Jones	10/4/99	10/12/99	Trip completed
101	Pre-award financial review of CERPOD	Prysor-Jones	10/4/99	10/12/99	Review completed
102	Bringing D&A perspective to AFRO/EPI polio eradication unit	Bery	11/22/99	11/23/99	Trip completed
103	Participation in REDSO/PHN, RCQHC Conference	Piwoz	1/12/00	1/12/00	Trip completed
104	SARA TA to CRHCS DJCC, Arusha, 1/28/00, Steve Kinoti	Kinoti	1/21/00	1/21/00	Trip completed
105	Presentation of papers at CIES conference in San Antonio, TX	Miller-Grandvaux	2/28/00	3/1/00	Trip completed
106	To assist USAID/Mali in reviewing its ed agenda	Miller-Grandvaux	3/14/00	3/29/00	Trip completed
107	Nutrition and community IMCI planning and other SO 7, 8 and 9 activity updating in WA	Prysor-Jones	5/1/00	5/3/00	Trip completed
108	Steve Kinoti to consultation on HSR priorities on HIV/AIDS, Pretoria, June 19-23	Kinoti	5/24/00	5/30/00	Trip completed
109	Suzanne participation in IWG on HH & community approaches to IMCI	Prysor-Jones	5/25/00	5/30/00	Trip completed
109a	Onanga Bongwele to Durban IAWG on community IMCI	Prysor-Jones	6/8/00	6/13/00	Cancelled
110	Providing Dissemination TA to RQCC (Renuka Bery)	Bery	5/31/00	6/2/00	Trip completed
111	Support to USAID/Mali, ERNWACA's regional program, NGO role in education	Miller-Grandvaux	6/28/00	6/29/00	Trip completed
111a	TA to USAID/Benin and Ethiopia conference on NGOs and basic education	Miller-Grandvaux	11/3/00	11/14/00	Trip completed
112	TA on MTCT/infant feeding issues	Piwoz	9/12/00	9/12/00	Trip completed
112a	TA on MTCT/infant feeding issues: follow-up Geneva meeting	Piwoz	11/15/00	11/17/00	Trip completed
113	Coordination with IDRC in Ottawa	Miller-Grandvaux	10/18/00	10/19/00	Trip completed
114	SARA participation in WHO meeting on Inter-Country Orientation on Family and Community IMCI, Uganda	Tawfik	11/13/00	11/17/00	Trip completed
115	WHO/AFRO advisory group consultation on IMCI, 11/28-30/00, Harare	Prysor-Jones	11/13/00	11/17/00	Trip completed
116	Suzanne to Harare for IMCI meeting, 1/22-26/01	Prysor-Jones	1/11/01	1/12/01	Trip completed
117	Intl. Technical Consultation of Midwifery Leaders	Blair	1/21/01	1/26/01	Trip completed
118	Participation of nutrition staff in major international meetings during FY 01	Piwoz	2/20/01	3/12/01	All trips completed
119	TA to WAHO by Suzanne & Duale, and Suzanne to Dakar	Prysor-Jones	2/7/01	2/9/01	Trip completed
120	Kinoti participation in REDSO partners' meeting	Kinoti	2/7/01	2/13/01	Trip completed
121	Yolande and Joe travel to ERNWACA interviews and CERPOD	Miller-Grandvaux	3/6/01	3/8/01	Trip completed
122	IMCI collaboration and strategy reviews, Youssef travel, 4/23 - 5/4/01	Tawfik	4/10/01	5/2/01	Trip completed
123	Participation in PAC steering committee, Dakar, May 2001	Blair	5/15/01	5/30/01	Cancelled
124	Identifying & responding to impacts of HIV/AIDS on HR in health sector	Kinoti	5/25/01	7/3/01	Trip completed
125	Work planning with CRHCS, women's media network, REDUCE in Mozambique	Blair	7/8/01	7/12/01	Trip completed
126	Assist in devt of new education program for USAID/Mali	Miller-Grandvaux	7/3/01	7/10/01	Trip completed
127	Duale to Bamako and Abidjan for malaria and MTCT meetings	Duale	7/9/01	7/10/01	Trip completed
128	Staff participation in USAID-UNICEF review of IMCI programs	Tawfik	7/16/01	7/20/01	Trip completed
129	Dissemination and repackaging workshop and electronic marketing	Bery	8/2/01	8/16/01	Trip completed
130	TB travel by Duale, September 18-27, 2001	Duale	8/31/01	9/4/01	Trip cancelled (security)
131	IMCI travel by Suzanne, September - October 2001	Prysor-Jones	8/31/01	9/18/01	Trip cancelled (security)
132	Tech. Presentation, TA at nutritional care for PLWHA workshop	Lwanga	10/10/01	10/11/01	Trip completed
133	Duale and 3 African participants in ICASA meeting	Duale	11/13/01	11/19/01	Trip completed
134	TA to CRHCS, NAP+, REDSO in HIV/AIDS prevention, care, support	Kinoti	11/15/01	11/26/01	Trip completed
135	TA to development of national IMCI strategy in Uganda	Tawfik	11/15/01	11/28/01	Trip completed
136	Dissemination of issues paper on health sector HR crisis in Africa	Picazo	12/27/01	1/15/02	Trip completed
137	Participation in Barcelona AIDS meeting in July 2002	Piwoz	1/10/02	1/16/02	Trip completed
137a	Participation in Barcelona AIDS meeting in July 2002: adds Angaga, Kinoti	Piwoz	5/20/02	5/22/02	Trip completed

137b	Participation in Barcelona AIDS meeting in July 2002: adds Molina	Piwoz	6/5/02	6/6/02	Trip completed
138	Presentation of papers at CIES conference in Orlando, FL (Miller-Grandvaux, Tounkara)	Miller-Grandvaux	1/31/02	2/26/02	Trip completed
139	SARA TA to ERNWACA strategic session, Dakar, Feb. 2002	Miller-Grandvaux	1/31/02	2/26/02	Trip completed
140	Development, testing of REDUCE tool for Africa through follow-up in Mozambique (Gachuhi)	Blair	2/11/02	2/19/02	Trip postponed. Date TBD.
141	SARA TA to CRHCS F&RH steering committee meeting	Blair	2/14/02	2/28/02	Trip completed
142	TA to WHO-UNICEF in global consultation on child, adolescent health and development	Prysor-Jones	2/25/02	2/27/02	WHO paid all expenses; completed
143	SARA facilitation of BASICS-CORE NGO community IMCI workshop	Prysor-Jones	3/5/02	3/19/02	Trip completed
144	SARA participation in REDSO partners meeting, HIV/AIDS pre-service training workshop	Kinoti	3/8/02	3/26/02	Trip completed
145	TA to UWC in FY 02	Piwoz	3/26/02	4/16/02	Was combined with other travl.
146	Regional replication of private practitioners methodology in IMCI	Tawfik	3/26/02	3/26/02	Trip completed
147	SARA TA to evaluation of FHA project	Duale	3/26/02	3/27/02	Trip completed
148	Oscar Picazo participation in REDSO partners meeting and other mtgs in Nairobi	Picazo	3/26/02	4/2/02	Trip completed
149	Assessment of education sector strategies in DRoC	Miller-Grandvaux	4/19/02	4/24/02	Trip completed
150	TA to WAHO strategic planning meeting & IDSR review	Duale	5/1/02	5/1/02	Trip completed
151	Support to CESAG and National Health Accounts	Picazo	5/8/02	5/14/02	Trip completed
152	TA to CRHCS in select areas of subcontract work plan	Kinoti	5/20/02	5/30/02	Trip completed
153	TA to USAID/Mali education program	Miller-Grandvaux	5/31/02	5/31/02	Trip completed
154	ECSA nutrition focal points meeting	Lwanga	6/10/02	6/13/02	Trip completed
156	TA to WAHO on TOT for nutrition advocacy	Ndure	7/1/02	7/19/02	Trip completed
157	TA to workshop on quality assurance in Uganda & NGOs in IMCI in Zambia	Tawfik	7/10/02	7/18/02	Trip completed
158	TA to IAWG meeting on C-IMCI & to WHO on IMCI/maternal health issues - Geneva	Prysor-Jones	7/19/02	8/5/02	Trip completed
159	TA to regional meetings on nutrition care & support to PLWHA	Lwanga	7/26/02	7/30/02	Trip completed
160	SARA participation at WABA Colloquium	Piwoz	8/21/02	8/27/02	Trip completed
161	Basic Education Exchange facilitation, Ethiopia	Miller-Grandvaux	9/10/02	9/16/02	Trip completed
162	3rd meeting of RBM & IMCI joint task forces	Duale	9/10/02	9/16/02	Trip completed
163	Donor consultation in human capacity development in Africa, London	Picazo	9/10/02	9/16/02	Scheduled for Oct. 02
164	Inaugural meeting of Central Africa nutrition focal points network	Piwoz	9/20/02	9/23/02	Scheduled for Oct. 02
165	Regional reproductive health activities in ECSA	Prysor-Jones	9/20/02	10/2/02	Trip completed
166	Joint planning of collaborative activities with REDSO/ESA and CRHCS	Kinoti	10/2/02	10/8/02	Trip completed
167	TA to polio and other EDSR meetings in Harare, November 4-8, 2002	Wolff	10/14/02	10/16/02	Trip completed
168	Facilitation of WHO regional workshop on operations research on HIV and infant feeding	Piwoz	10/14/02	10/16/02	Trip completed
169	Participation in/facilitation of MOH, AIDS Councils, AIDS Prog. Mgrs. Mtgs. In Kampala	Kinoti	10/16/02	10/24/02	Trip completed
170	Technical consultations with WHO/AFRO to develop nutrition strategy in PLWHA progs.	Piwoz	10/30/02	10/31/02	Trip completed
171	Private practitioners in CS programs (IMCI, RBM) in collaboration with WHO/AFRO	Tawfik	12/13/02	12/20/02	Trip completed
172	Holley Stewart TA to SAGO Conference, Bamako	Stewart	12/17/02	12/19/02	Trip completed
200	Bill Rau as SARA Project evaluation and HIV/AIDS policy advisor	Prysor-Jones	10/4/99	10/12/99	Consultancy completed
200a	Bill Rau, 10 more days	Prysor-Jones, Duale	10/25/99	10/26/99	Consultancy completed
200b	Bill Rau, 10 more days	Prysor-Jones, Duale	11/2/99	11/2/99	Consultancy completed
200c	Continuation of Bill Rau through January-April 2000, 35 more days	Prysor-Jones, Duale	12/14/99	1/4/00	Consultancy completed
200d	Impact review paper on SO 8 male involvement activities in reproductive health (Bill Rau)	Inserra	4/7/00	4/13/00	Consultancy completed
201	Hiring Dr. Stephen Kinoti as SARA consultant	Duale	10/4/99	10/18/99	Consultancy completed
201a	Familiarization trip for Dr. Steve Kinoti to SA	Prysor-Jones	11/18/99	11/18/99	See 104 above
202	Roger Gosselin facilitation of SATI workshop	Prysor-Jones	10/18/99	10/19/99	Trip completed
203	Beth Preble to complete paper on HIV and Nutrition	Piwoz	10/13/99	10/19/99	Consultancy completed
203a	HIV/AIDS and nutrition paper, Beth Preble, 5 more days	Piwoz	1/24/00	2/8/00	Consultancy completed
204	Transitioning Dissemination Center activity to a regional institution (Lawrence Gikaru)	Bery	10/14/99	10/19/99	Activity completed
205	Field testing of REDUCE model, Uganda	Blair	6/5/00	6/16/00	Test completed
205a	Steve Kinoti involvement in REDUCE model, Uganda	Kinoti	6/19/00	7/5/00	Test completed

205b	Expansion of Reduce model (Bart Burkhalter, Elisabeth Sommerfelt)	Blair	9/12/00	9/12/00	Sommerfelt ongoing
205c	Safe Motherhood/EOC REDUCE model: cost/benefit analysis	Blair	11/8/00	11/22/00	Activity completed
205d	REDUCE Senegal field application	Blair	2/21/01	3/12/01	Activity completed
205e	Extension of Elisabeth Sommerfelt for REDUCE expansion (see 205b also)	Blair	2/20/01	3/9/01	Sommerfelt ongoing
205f	Facilitation of REDUCE model in Nigeria, Thidiane Ndoye	Blair	10/2/01	See Status	Cancelled before approval
205g	CEFOREP TA to Mauritania REDUCE application	Blair	4/12/02	4/18/02	Activity completed
205h	Additional costs for Mauritania REDUCE application	Blair	8/20/02	8/23/02	Activity completed
206	Linda Kean, finalization of Nutrition Briefs	Piwoz	10/25/99	11/2/99	Work completed
207	Design for Qualitative Manual (Paula Whitacre)	Bery	11/2/99	11/2/99	Work completed
208	Documentation EMC team results in 2 WHO/AFRO blocks	Duale	2/28/00	3/14/00	Work completed
209	Updating country program briefs for AFR/SD/HRD	Prysor-Jones	4/13/00	4/14/00	Activity completed
210	Issues paper on early and abrupt weaning for HIV+ mothers	Piwoz	5/11/00	6/8/00	Consultancy completed
210a	Issues paper on early and abrupt weaning for HIV+ mothers: finalization and repackaging	Piwoz	9/26/00	9/26/00	Consultancy completed
210b	Issues paper on early and abrupt weaning for HIV+ moms: printing and dissem	Piwoz	3/2/01	3/12/01	Consultancy completed
210c	Issues paper on early and abrupt weaning for HIV+ moms: reprinting and dissemination	Piwoz	3/20/02	4/16/02	Dissemination in progress
211	Strategy paper on reducing MTCT in Africa (Beth Preble)	Kinoti	6/16/00	6/22/00	Consultancy completed
211a	MTCT strategy paper: 15 more days for Beth Preble	Kinoti	9/26/00	9/26/00	Consultancy completed
211b	Strategy paper on reducing MTCT: xltm, printing and dissem	Piwoz	3/2/01	3/12/01	Stock disseminated
211c	Strategy paper on reducing MTCT, Beth Preble, finalization	Piwoz	8/7/01	8/8/01	Consultancy completed
211d	Reprinting of Prevention of PTCT guide in English	Nigmann	9/10/02	9/16/02	Reprinted, dissem. Ongoing.
212	Discussion ppr.: USAID budgt., staffing, prog. decisions, priority health activities in transitn. countries, Africa	Duale	See Comm.	See Status	Activity postponed indefinitely
213	Support to Inter-Country Orientation Meeting on Family/Community IMCI	Prysor-Jones	8/11/00	8/14/01	Activity completed
214	TA to AVSC in Costing Out COPE Introduction & Scaling Up	Prysor-Jones	9/26/00	10/11/00	Partner cancelled activity
215	Discussion paper on HIV/AIDS prevention, care, support in WCA	Duale	10/5/00	10/16/00	Consultancy completed
215a	Duale and Dounia to WCA PHN strategy meeting for HIV/AIDS, 11/6-8/00	Duale	10/23/00	10/26/00	Activity completed
216	Finalization of Manual on Policy Development, Imple and Monitoring (Millie Morton)	Bery	11/16/00	11/17/00	Activity completed
217	Review of HIV/AIDS Impact on Health System	Kinoti	12/11/00	1/5/01	Consultancy completed
217a	Review of impact of HIV/AIDS on health system: extension of Linda Tawfik	Kinoti	2/21/01	2/26/01	Dissemination in progress
218	Report to Congress on MTCT (Preble)	Piwoz	12/4/00	12/5/00	Consultancy completed
219	Changing role of NGOs in basic education in Africa	Miller-Grandvaux	1/5/01	1/7/01	Activity completed
219a	NGOs in basic ed: ERNWACA part	Miller-Grandvaux	2/9/01	3/8/01	Activity completed
219b	NGOs in basic ed: modified RTI budget	Miller-Grandvaux	2/9/01	3/8/01	Activity completed
219c	Guinea consultant for RTI subcontract: NGOs in education	Miller-Grandvaux	6/12/01	7/3/01	Activity completed
220	Finalization of malaria document (Carol Baume)	Prysor-Jones	2/20/01	3/15/01	Activity completed
221	Paper on Strategies to Accelerate Expansion of IMCI - Country Examples (Ken Heise)	Tawfik	3/19/01	3/23/01	Awaiting final version
222	Documentation of results and lessons learned on a few critical components of USAID/OIRH PASA	Prysor-Jones	3/21/01	3/29/01	Activity completed
223	Private sector and child health care - Introduction	Tawfik	3/29/01	5/7/01	Activity completed
224	Moving forward with an advocacy strategy	Bery	4/12/01	4/19/01	Consultancy completed
225	Devt of national strategy in Uganda for private sector working in national CS program	Tawfik	7/2/01	7/20/01	Completed under CRHCS subcon.
226	Consultant for USAID-UNICEF review of IMCI programs: Clara Olaya	Tawfik	7/16/01	7/20/01	Consultancy completed
226a	Additional 2 days for Dr. Olaya	Tawfik	10/19/01	10/26/01	Consultancy completed
227	Editing and translation of RESAR studies on Male Involvement in RH	Blair	9/4/01	9/5/01	Consultancy completed
227a	Editing and translation of RESAR studies - 10 more days for Semra Asefa	Blair	5/7/02	5/23/02	See 227 above
227b	Editing and translation of RESAR studies - 20 more days for Semra Asefa	Wolff	8/30/02	9/17/02	See 227 above
228	WHO/AFRO Newborn Assessment - Phase I	Prysor-Jones	8/28/01	9/18/01	Consultancy completed
229	Promoting private and public sector collaboration in HIV/AIDS in Africa	Kinoti	12/18/01	1/2/02	Consultancy underway
230	Data quality assessment of AFR/SD/HRD/s PHN and Education indicators	Duale	1/15/02	1/15/02	Consultancy nearing completn.
231	Completion of REDUCE/ALIVE facilitators/organizers manual (Gachuhi)	Prysor-Jones	5/8/02	5/20/02	Consultancy completed

232	TA to field test and revise tools for counseling HIV+ women about infant feeding	Piwoz	12/16/02	12/17/02	To begin Jan.-Feb. 2003
300	Tulane University activities under subcontract FY 00	Prysor-Jones	10/4/99	10/12/99	Activity completed
301	Duale at Global Meeting on M&E of HIV Prevention, etc., April 12-24, 2000, Berlin	Duale	3/9/00	3/14/00	Trip completed
350	Morehouse University School of Medicine activities 10-11/99	Blair	10/4/99	10/12/99	Activity completed
351	Morehouse - Extension of Lalla Toure through January 31, 2000	Blair	12/7/99	12/22/99	Activity completed
352	Institutional strengthening of SAGO	Blair	3/9/00	3/24/00	Activity completed
352a	Same as 352. Adds Betty Willingham	Blair	4/13/00	See Status	USAID didn't approve. Canceled.
400	Follow-up activities to West Africa EOC Conference of December 1998 (JHPIEGO)	Blair	10/4/99	10/12/99	Activity completed
401	Francophone MAQ bulletin	Blair	10/4/99	10/13/99	Bulletin completed, distributed
402	Printing and dissemination of French language PAC brochure	Blair	6/20/00	6/23/00	Activity completed
403	JHPIEGO subcontract	Blair	2/13/01	3/6/01	Subcontract completed
450	PRB activities under SARA II, 10/99 - 1/00	Prysor-Jones	10/4/99	10/12/99	Activity completed
451	Rhonda Smith for PRB for FY 01	Prysor-Jones	3/8/01	3/8/01	Activity completed
452	Rhonda Smith for PRB for FY 02 plus annotated bibliography	Prysor-Jones	2/15/02	2/28/02	Activity completed
500	Training for CERPOD in ISSA software (Victor Canales)	Prysor-Jones	10/4/99	10/12/99	Trip completed
501	Follow-up activities to West Africa EOC Conference of December 1998 (CEFOREP)	Blair	10/4/99	10/12/99	Activity completed
501a	Additional 30 days for consultant for EOC Conference (CEFOREP)	Blair	7/11/00	7/14/00	Activity completed
503	Training of CESAG staff in operations research methodology (Leduc, Berthelette)	Prysor-Jones	11/18/99	11/18/99	Consultancy completed
504	Devt of key tools and activities (CERPOD consultants)	Prysor-Jones	1/12/00	1/14/00	Consultancy completed
505	Reintegration of IDC in East & Southern Africa into CRHCS info dissem program	Bery	2/1/00	2/1/00	Trip completed
506	TA to SAGO to become more policy/action-oriented	Blair	3/9/00	5/4/00	Activity completed
507	ACI TA to CERPOD on training in qualitative research techniques for Francophone Africa	Prysor-Jones	5/26/00	5/30/00	Activity completed
508	Improving RH in the Sahel (CERPOD subcontract)	Prysor-Jones	10/11/00	12/15/00	Subcontract under revision
509	CRHCS subcontract	Kinoti	12/21/00	1/25/01	Subcontract underway
510	Pre-award institutional survey of ERNWACA	Coblentz	3/30/01	4/2/01	Activity completed
511	Institutional strengthening of ERNWACA	Miller-Grandvaux	5/25/01	5/28/01	Subcontract underway
511a	Budget adjustment for 511	Miller-Grandvaux	6/14/01	7/3/01	Subcontract underway
512	Strengthening NAP+ operations, etc.	Miller-Grandvaux	7/2/01	7/15/01	Subcontract completed
513	Study on role of NGOs in basic education in South Africa	Miller-Grandvaux	4/19/02	5/3/02	Study completed
600	Sponsorship of RESAR country researchers and SARA staff to annual RESAR meeting	Blair	10/18/99	10/21/99	Trip completed
601	Making presentation to CRHCS on electronic communication	Bery	10/18/99	10/19/99	Activity completed
602	PROFILES training & follow-up in East and Southern Africa in collaboration with CRHCS	Piwoz	11/2/99	See Comm.	Funded from other sources
603	RESAR participation in Post-Cairo Assessment of RH Policies & programs in W. Africa	Blair	11/18/99	11/19/99	Activity completed
604	Support to SAGO, CEFOREP & CERPOD activities	Blair	12/7/99	12/22/99	Trip completed
604a	Support to planning of SAGO biennial conference, etc., per CTO letter 604	Blair	12/23/99	1/4/00	Trip completed
605	Post-CIES Study Tour for 3 African Network representatives	Miller-Grandvaux	2/28/00	3/1/00	Tour completed
606	Advocacy training workshop for Anglophone chapters of ERNWACA	Miller-Grandvaux	3/14/00	3/29/00	Activity completed
607	SARA support to CRHCS DJCC meeting	Kinoti, Blair	2/28/00	3/3/00	Trip completed
607a	SARA support to CRHCS DJCC meeting - additional costs	Kinoti, Blair	3/28/00	3/29/00	Trip completed
608	Panel presentation at the national Summit for Africa	Miller-Grandvaux	2/28/00	3/1/00	Activity completed
609	Support to 13th Conference of IUATLD Africa Region, Conakry, Guinea	Duale	2/28/00	3/3/00	Trip completed
610	Support presenters and dissemination of materials at Ghana Health Foundation conference	Duale	2/29/00	3/2/00	Activity completed
611	Participation in Durban Intl AIDS meeting & pre-conference satellite mtg on HIV & breastfeeding	Piwoz	3/14/00	3/14/00	Activity completed
612	Support two African participants to attend HIV/AIDS in Education planning workshop, Durban	Miller-Grandvaux, Du	3/28/00	3/30/00	Trip completed
613	Support to preparation and facilitation of nutrition focal points meetings	Piwoz	4/13/00	6/8/00	Activity completed
614	Consultative meeting on essential supplies for child health at community level	Prysor-Jones	5/19/00	5/30/00	Activity completed
615	Phil Musgrove presentation at USAID PHN SOTA course, June 5-9	Prysor-Jones	5/26/00	6/5/00	Activity completed
617	Assessment of impl. Of COPE initiative in Guinea	Prysor-Jones	6/16/00	6/22/00	Trip completed

618	Specialized TA to USAID staff in Durban	Kinoti	6/28/00	6/29/00	Activity completed
619	Review of contribution of soc. Sci. to malaria control (Caroline Jones travel)	Prysor-Jones	7/11/00	7/11/00	Activity completed
620	Expert working group meeting for TB prevention and control among African women of reproductive age	Duale	7/20/00	9/14/00	Activity completed
620a	TB and Women expert working group meeting: adds Quaye and Hudelson	Duale	1/17/01	1/19/01	Activity completed
620b	Nguma and Wanwalo to second research WS on gender and TB in Sweden	Duale	4/2/01	4/2/01	Activity completed
620c	Pilot study in Tanzania on TB and gender	Duale	4/12/01	4/24/01	Awaiting final report
620d	Silvia Holschneider to support pilot study of 620c	Duale	4/12/01	4/24/01	Activity completed
621	SARA staff and African expert participation in HIV Infection and AIDS course	Kinoti	8/8/00	8/8/00	Activity completed
622	Support to Nutrition Focal Points annual mtg., Bamako, 9/25-29	Piwoz	8/11/00	8/14/00	Activity completed
623	Regional HIV/AIDS Policy Analysis and Monitoring Workshop	Kinoti	8/25/00	9/1/00	Activity completed
624	Support for Steve Shongwe to attend intl. conference on managing quality through regulation in WDC	Kinoti	8/28/00	9/7/00	Activity completed
625	African participation in AHILA Conference with Steve Kinoti+Steve to Nairobi, Arusha	Kinoti	11/15/00	11/17/00	Activity completed
626	Support for 8th Intl. SWAA Conference	Kinoti	9/12/00	9/14/00	Activity completed
627	SAGO Congress 2000 and Presentation of REDUCE model, 12/4-8/00	Blair	10/12/00	10/25/00	Activity completed
628	Consultative meeting on advocacy	Bery	10/16/00	10/17/00	Activity completed
629	USAID PHN meeting, Bamako (ACI facilitation)	Prysor-Jones	10/26/00	10/26/00	Activity completed
630	World AIDS Day faith leaders summit follow-on conference, 12/1-5/00	Duale	11/21/00	11/27/00	Activity completed
631	HIV/AIDS DG Toolkit Workshop Participant Travel	Kinoti	1/18/01	1/19/01	Activity completed
632	NAP+ Strategic Planning Meeting, 2/5-8/01	Kinoti	1/18/01	1/23/01	Activity completed
633	Intl Confed of Midwives Workshop, Harare, 3/19-21/01	Blair	1/22/01	1/24/01	Activity completed
633a	Reprinting of malaria & pregnancy press kits	Yoder	9/21/01	9/26/01	Publication reprinted
634	Working group meeting to develop framework and plan conference, ECOWAS armed forces	Duale	1/23/01	1/25/01	Activity completed
635	Presentation of research results on HIV/AIDS in ed systems at ECOWAS HIV in ed conference	Miller-Grandvaux	2/26/01	3/7/01	Activity completed
636	Support to African participants in RBM4 meeting, 4/18-20/01	Tawfik	3/5/01	3/6/01	Activity completed
637	Vision 2010: First Ladies Advocacy Meeting, Bamako, 5/7-10/01	Blair	4/25/01	4/26/01	Activity completed
638	Consultations on Youth Livelihood Initiatives with Jamie Schuur	Kinoti	5/11/01	5/15/01	Activity completed
639	MTCT CA meeting, June 11, 2001	Piwoz	6/4/01	6/4/01	Activity completed
640	Private sector role in HIV/AIDS programs	Kinoti	6/12/01	6/20/01	Activity completed
640a	Private sector meeting on HIV/AIDS programs	Kinoti	7/2/01	7/11/01	Activity completed
640b	Private sector role in HIV/AIDS programs: second meeting, October 2001	Kinoti	8/31/01	9/5/01	Meeting postponed
640c	Private sector role in HIV/AIDS programs: AGOA meeting in Mauritius	Kinoti	12/13/02	12/17/02	Scheduled for Jan. 03
641	SARA support for a planning meeting for the devt of a WAHO strategic plan	Duale	7/19/01	8/8/01	Activity completed
642	ACI HIV and Development workshop with SFPS	Prysor-Jones	7/19/01	8/2/01	Activity completed
643	TA to CERPOD in work plan	Blair	7/19/01	8/22/01	Activity underway
644	Exchange travel study tour: Senegal-Zambia	Duale	8/20/01	8/21/01	Activity completed
645	Capacity building for RCOHC	Bery	9/11/01	9/18/01	Activity completed
646	Support for CORE-sponsored regional NGO/PVO workshop on malaria prevention	Duale	9/21/01	9/27/01	Activity completed
647	Support for Regional NGO/PVO workshop on community IMCI	Prysor-Jones	9/21/01	11/26/01	Activity completed
647a	Adds Blondine Codjia, Benin NGO rep., to NGO IMCI workshop	Prysor-Jones	4/5/02	4/8/02	Activity completed
648	Meeting of IMCI IAWG, WDC, November 2001	Prysor-Jones	11/2/01	11/26/01	Activity completed
649	Regional West Africa PAC meeting & related travel in W. Africa by Caroline Blair	Blair	12/6/01	12/19/01	Activity completed
650	Regional model for website competition: Namibia test	Bery	11/28/01	11/28/01	Activity completed
651	Collaborative workshop on TB and HIV/AIDS	Duale	1/3/02	1/8/02	Activity completed
652	RATN experts meeting to develop strategies for strengthening HIV/AIDS prog. Mgt. In ECSA	Kinoti	4/10/02	4/11/02	Activity completed
653	Consultative meeting on rethinking HIV/AIDS and development	Kinoti	2/27/02	3/6/02	Activity completed
654	Support to ECSACON scientific meeting, pregnancy & malaria session	Blair	4/5/02	4/10/02	Activity completed
655	Support to dissemination of RESAR studies on male involvement	Blair	4/18/02	5/1/02	Activity completed
656	Stakeholder Planning Meeting for Empowering Africa's Young People Initiative (IYF)	Kinoti, Bery	6/20/02	6/24/02	Activity completed

657	Support to dual protection meeting	Wolff	8/2/01	8/6/02	Activity completed
658	WAHO nutrition focal points meeting	Lwanga	8/2/02	8/5/02	Activity completed
659	Ibrahima Bob participation in AHILA Conference	Bery	8/20/02	8/20/02	Activity completed
660	MIM review panel African participants in Washington, DC	Duale	8/23/02	8/26/02	Activity completed
661	Duale, WHO Rep. Travel to MIM Pan-African Malaria Conference	Duale	8/23/02	8/26/02	Activity completed
663	WAHO senior staff study tour of CRHCS	Stewart	10/16/02	10/16/02	Activity delayed
664	REDUCE/Nigeria presentation in The Gambia	Stewart	10/16/02	10/16/02	Activity completed
665	CEFOREP participation in the SAGO Biennial Conference	Stewart	12/20/02	12/23/03	Activity completed
700	Publication of a supplement to the Annals re: malaria and pregnancy	Duale	10/4/99	10/12/99	Activity completed
701	SD HIV/AIDS Briefing Materials folders	Bery	10/4/99	10/12/99	Activity completed
702	Printing of Nutrition Briefs	Nturu	10/4/99	10/12/99	Activity completed
703	Printing of four program profiles for CRHCS Jubilee conference	Bery	10/26/99	10/26/99	Activity completed
704	Translation, printing and mailing of 3 malaria publications	Bery	11/2/99	11/2/99	Activity completed
705	Editorial Assistance for SARA Publications	Bery	11/30/99	12/14/99	Ongoing
706	Printing of French version of facilitation manual for "Making a Difference" (Boly guide)	Bery	11/30/99	12/14/99	Activity completed
707	Helping local health workers better analyze and use their data to improve services	Shafritz	12/14/99	12/14/99	Trip completed
708	Production of an IMCI policy brochure	Shafritz	12/14/99	12/14/99	Activity completed
708a	Reprinting of IMCI policy brochure, English and French	Bery	7/19/00	7/21/00	Dissemination ongoing
709	Printing of "Qualitative Research for Improved Health Programs"	Shafritz	12/14/99	12/14/99	Activity completed
709a	Reprinting of qualitative research manual	Yoder	11/3/00	11/17/00	Dissemination ongoing
710	Printing of HIV/AIDS Briefing Packets	Bery	2/29/00	3/1/00	Activity completed
711	Development and dissemination of user-friendly brochure on best practices in EOC in WA	Blair	5/22/00	6/8/00	Activity completed
711a	EOC brochure: second phase with ACI, Sie Some	Blair	10/3/00	10/13/00	Activity completed
712	Translation & printing of infectious diseases laboratory manual	Bery	5/19/00	5/30/00	Activity completed
712a	ID lab manual: color proofing and final printing costs	Bery	1/18/02	1/18/02	Activity completed
713	Printing of education assessments	Bery, Miller-Grandvaux	5/25/00	5/25/00	Activity completed
714	Production of AIDS Toolkits	Bery	5/31/00	See Status	Activity postponed
715	Publication of ERNWACA's transnational education studies	Miller-Grandvaux	7/10/00	7/11/00	Activity completed
715a	Publication of ERNWACA's transnational education studies - English	Miller-Grandvaux	8/31/00	9/7/00	Activity completed
715b	Publication of ERNWACA's transnational education studies - French	Miller-Grandvaux	9/5/00	9/7/00	Activity completed
716	Reprinting of Intro to Advocacy	Bery	8/8/00	8/8/00	Dissemination ongoing
717	Disseminating empowering community documents to IMCI participants in SA meeting	Prysor-Jones	9/12/00	9/12/00	Dissemination ongoing
718	Translation of REDUCE script and presentation into French	Blair	10/11/00	10/16/00	Activity completed
719	Translation & printing of malaria and pregnancy advocacy brochure	Duale, Bery	10/11/00	10/16/00	Activity completed
719a	Reprint of malaria and pregnancy brochures, English	Yoder	10/30/01	11/7/01	Dissemination ongoing
720	Production of Manual on policy development, implementation and monitoring	Bery	11/16/00	11/17/00	Dissemination ongoing
721	Production of HIV and nutrition paper	Piwoz, Bery	11/2/00	11/3/00	Activity completed
721a	HIV and Nutrition Paper: French	Piwoz, Bery	12/20/00	12/21/00	Dissemination ongoing
721b	Reprint of HIV and nutrition paper, English	Piwoz, Bery	7/17/01	7/17/01	Dissemination ongoing
722	Production of color slides of REDUCE presentation	Blair	11/16/00	11/22/00	Activity completed
723	Dissemination of Partnerships for Communication & Change	Bery	12/12/00	12/15/00	Dissemination ongoing
724	Printing of French version of Empowering Communities (w/ PCS)	Wolff	12/26/00	1/12/01	Printing completed
725	AJTMH publication purchase and dissemination	Duale, Bery	1/11/01	1/12/01	Activity completed
726	Reprinting of Boly Guide	Yoder	3/21/01	3/23/01	Publication reprinted
727	Editorial Supplement in Africa Health Journal on HIV/Nutrition	Wolff	4/11/01	4/19/01	Activity completed
728	Printing and dissemination of RH Briefing Packet	Wolff	5/1/01	8/27/01	Activity completed
728a	Printing, distribution of RH briefing packet in French	Wolff	10/10/01	10/25/01	Dissemination ongoing
729	Translation of REDUCE assumptions paper and selected spreadsheets	Blair	7/19/01	7/26/01	Activity completed

730	Developing various OVC products	Kinoti, Bery	8/27/01	9/4/01	Activity completed
730a	Finalization of OVC products	Kinoti	1/18/02	3/6/02	Consultancy completed
731	Reprint of Making a Difference to Policies and Programs	Yoder	10/25/01	11/7/01	Dissemination ongoing
732	SARA support to SFPS materials for reproductive health	Yoder	12/20/01	1/2/02	Activity underway
733	Production, dissemination of NGO study & repackaging info into user-friendly format	Bery	2/27/02	3/8/02	Dissemination ongoing
734	Printing, dissemination of private sector paper	Bery	3/26/02	4/2/02	French printed; dissem.ongoing
735	Reprinting of Indicators Guide, Vol. II	Bery	4/12/02	4/15/02	Dissemination ongoing
736	Publication, dissemination of Guide to Research on Care-Seeking for Childhood Malaria	Wolff	4/24/02	4/26/02	Dissemination ongoing
737	Printing of AIDS toolkits on CD-ROMS	Bery	6/13/02	6/17/02	Activity completed
738	HIV/AIDS PVO consultative meeting, October 2002	Bery	10/14/02	10/15/02	Activity completed
800	Assessing youth livelihood & enterprise development programs through IDRC	Duale	10/4/99	10/12/99	Activity completed
801	Laurence Codjia, CESAG, to Washington for discussions on health management, economics issues	Prysor-Jones	10/14/99	10/19/99	Trip completed
802	TA to ZVITAMBO Project	Piwoz	11/2/99	11/10/99	Activity completed
802a	TA to the ZVITAMBO Project through 9/30/01	Piwoz	9/12/00	9/12/00	Activity completed
802b	TA to the ZVITAMBO Project through 9/30/02	Piwoz	4/1/02	4/16/02	Activity completed
802c	TA to the ZVITAMBO Project through 9/30/03	Piwoz	12/5/02	12/17/02	Activity underway
803	Increasing e-mail and Internet access for nutrition focal points in Sierra Leone and Cote d'Ivoire	Bery	11/18/99	11/18/99	Activity completed
804	Assess WHO/AFRO outcome/impact indicators & selected malaria-related evals.	Duale	1/12/00	1/12/00	Activity completed
805	Purchase of LCD Projector	Blair	7/25/00	8/8/00	Activity completed
806	Development of database for AFR/SD	Insera, Post	10/11/00	10/16/00	Activity completed
806a	Extension of SOFTEK subcontract for database & added funding	Coblentz	1/15/02	1/16/02	Activity completed
807	Issues paper on the public health work force crisis in Africa	Prysor-Jones	8/15/00	9/26/00	Dissemination ongoing
808	Integration of AIDS & devt training in IMPACT workplace initiative	Prysor-Jones	12/21/00	12/21/00	Activity completed
809	Finalization of TBA meta analysis, participation at USAID brainstorming mtg	Blair	6/12/01	8/2/01	Activity completed
810	Life skills lessons learned, non-formal HIV education evaluations	Miller-Grandvaux	8/24/01	10/5/01	Activity completed
811	Annual AED/IT database fee for CY 2002	Diianni	2/6/02	2/7/02	Fee paid; management ongoing
812	Qualitative research on perceived changes in quality, level of FP & RH services in HIV countries	Blair	4/12/02	5/1/02	Scheduled for Mar. 03
813	Donor mapping in WARP area	Blair	5/14/02	5/16/02	Activity completed
813a	Donor mapping in WARP area: additional consultant days & travel	Wolff	6/5/02	6/6/02	See 813
814	Study tour on model programs that work with men, domestic violence and HIV prevention	Kinoti	6/10/02	6/11/02	Activity completed