



ASSIUT UNIVERSITY

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
HEALTH & COMMUNITY
MEDICINE

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OBJECTIVE OF THIS PRESENTATION

- To introduce the work of the department with other national and international agencies
- Our dreams for our department
- Our expectations from WHO

PARTNERSHIPS: GATES INSTITUTE AT JHSPH: 2006–2014: BUILDING REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CAPACITY TO SERVE THE PEOPLE OF UPPER EGYPT

- Infrastructure
- Research capacity building
- Faculty development: auditing courses
- Training of MOHP providers:
 - Steps to Develop Quality improvement
 - Self-evaluation using service statistics
 - Cost analysis using Cost-IT
 - Use of Spectrum: DemProj. FamPlan.
 - Training for building capacity in research skills: DHS – STATA – Evidence –Based Medicine – Scale validation
- Public Health seminar series “From Science to Action”

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Sustainability of activities was thru establishing :

Master Degree of Demography and
Population Reproductive Health

JOINT RESEARCH AND TRAINING WITH INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES

- Population Council: 2014 – 2015 (latest)
 - Collaboration with a focus to develop Assiut as Center of Excellence in SRH of Youth: MAG – training workshops on proposal writing
 - Mid-term evaluation of FGM (2009) – ASCE survey (1996- 1997)
- PRB workshops on policy briefs, policy memos and fact sheets
- UNFPA:
 - YFC: first YFC in Egyptian Universities
 - Impact of Mid-wifery training on deliveries in Rural Assiut
 - KAP of Imams on SRH and Rights

JOINT RESEARCH WITH INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES

■ UNICEF:

- Basic Minimum needs project (Azaiza village – Ghanayem district) Wafaa – Sabra – Mohey
- Baby friendly hospital initiative

■ WHO:

- Currently we have a joint research GEAS ‘Global Early Adolescent Study’
- Past RPC unit: several grants (smoking – violence – breast cancer)

JOINT WORK WITH LOCAL AGENCIES

- MOHP:
 - FETP in Luxor. USAID funded
 - IMCI training of physicians – WHO funded
 - Primary Health and Social care center (accredited from MOHP)
- NGOs in Assiut: joint seminars with:
 - Plan International
 - Care
 - Save the Children
 - Giving without limit
 - Red Crescent
 - Women Alliance in Assiut

MY DREAMS

- Establish a PhD degree in Demography & RH
- Internationally accredited PH Master Programs (How can WHO help?)
- Move from the general to specialized degrees e.g. Health economics, Health informatics, clinical informatics .. etc.

ARE THESE EXPECTATIONS WITHIN THE SCOPE OF WHO ACTIVITIES?

■ Expectations from WHO?

- WHO role in strengthening the **departments of public health** in the faculties of Medicine? Creating sub-specialties for example?
- Technical support to develop Internationally accredited Masters Programs of F.o.Medicine?
- To be involved in updating PH curricula for the undergraduate & graduate level students
- Research capacity building through small grants for Master & PhD students
- Incorporate WHO Research priorities within the Faculty research priorities
- Creating channel of communication through interactive webinars with WHO
- How can Assiut develop into a WHO collaborating center?

EXPECTATIONS FROM WHO CONCERNING SURVEILLANCE UNIT:

- To **evaluate the performance** of the ongoing activities of the unit, and suggest improvements.
- To present the unit as the first model in other universities in WHO collaborative work
- To be included in the Sentinel surveillance
- To develop interface between University and MOHP to strengthen surveillance function
- To involve country office in participating in World Hepatitis Day activities in Assiut
- Internships at Surveillance unit in Cairo

THANKS