

REGIONAL SEMINAR ON DEVELOPMENT OF  
FIELD TRAINING AREAS, THEIR NEEDS AND  
ADVANTAGES FOR THE TEACHING OF MCH AND  
FAMILY PLANNING TO HEALTH PERSONNEL

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CRITERIA FOR SELECTING AN FTA

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"A standard of judging; a rule or test by which facts, principles, opinions, and conduct are tried in forming a correct judgement respecting them."

Webster

AN OUTLINE OF CRITERIA FOR SELECTING A FIELD TRAINING AREA TO SUPPORT TRAINING INSTITUTIONS

- I. ACCESSIBLE, SHOULD BE WITHIN REASONABLE DISTANCE
- II. DEMOGRAPHICALLY SUITABLE
  - A. SIZE OF POPULATION
  - B. SOCIAL CHARACTERISTICS, i.e. OCCUPATION, FERTILITY RATE, INCOME, ETC.
  - C. ETHNIC GROUP
- III. GEOGRAPHICALLY APPROPRIATE
- IV. TRADITIONALLY FITTING
- V. RELIGIOUSLY REPRESENTATIVE
- VI. ORGANIZATIONALLY ADEQUATE
  - A. ALL AGENCIES INVOLVED IN PROVISION OF HEALTH CARE SHOULD BE REPRESENTED
  - B. WELL EQUIPPED FACILITIES AND GOOD TRAINERS SHOULD BE AVAILABLE
- VII. SHOULD MEET THE NEEDS OF TRAINEES, AS WELL AS THE COMMUNITY
- VIII. THE KNOWLEDGE AND SKILL GAINED BY THE TRAINEE SHOULD BE APPLICABLE
- XI. WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE CRITERIA, INDICES SHOULD BE SET TO MEASURE THE IMPACT OF TRAINING (COLLECTION OF BASE-LINE DATA)
- X. FOLLOW-UP DESIGN TO EVALUATE TRAINEE'S PERFORMANCE AND THEIR PRODUCTIVITY, CONTINUOUSLY (IMPLEMENT THE RESULTS OF THE EVALUATION REGARDING RECOMMENDED CHANGES)

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