



**INTER-AGENCY CONSULTATION ON TRAINING
IN MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH AND ON
FEMALE CIRCUMCISION**

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Alexandria, 24 - 29 March 1980

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

**PART I - TRAINING IN MCH AND FAMILY PLANNING IN THE CONTEXT
OF PRIMARY HEALTH CARE**

24 - 27 March 1980

MONDAY, 24 March 1980

EMRO Conference Room

8.30 a.m. - 9.00 a.m.

- Registration of Participants

9.00 a.m. - 9.45 a.m. *

**- Opening Address by Dr A. H. Taba,
WHO Regional Director, Eastern
Mediterranean Region**

**- Address by Dr F. Remy, UNICEF Regional
Director, Eastern Mediterranean Region**

10.15 a.m. - 1.30 p.m.

**- Election of Officers
Chairperson (s) - Rapporteur**

- Adoption of the Agenda

- Announcements

**- Consideration of the UNICEF/WHO Joint
Committee on Health Policy Working
Paper JC22/79.4 on Training in Maternal
and Child Health (Agenda item No. 4)**

**by Dr A. Petros-Barvazian
- Issues raised and the possibilities
indicated in general for joint action in
future**

**- A review and evaluation of past experience
of inter-agency joint activities in
training in this Region
(Agenda item No. 5)**

*** Recess 30 minutes (first day)
Recess 15 minutes (following days)**

MONDAY, 24 March 1980 (Cont'd)

10.15 a.m. * 1.30 p.m. (Cont'd)

- A review and evaluation of past experience of inter-agency joint activities in training in this Region (Agenda item No. 5 cont'd)
 - At Country level (5.1)
 - UNFPA/WHO collaboration in training teachers of MCH (Barakat, Sudan) (5.1.1) by Dr. R. Cook
 - UNICEF/WHO activities in training for EPI in Pakistan (5.1.2) by Dr. R. Cook
 - Other experiences to be contributed by participants (5.1.3)

TUESDAY, 25 March 1980

9.00 a.m. - 10.45 a.m. *

- At Inter-country or Inter-regional level (5.2)
 - The UNICEF/WHO Regional Midwifery Teachers Training Programme (5.2.1) by Miss N. O'Brien
 - The Regional Food and Nutrition Training Programme (5.2.2) by Dr. K.S. Rao
 - The UNICEF/WHO-supported course for Senior Teachers of Child Health, London/India, 1962-1978, as far as concerned this Region (5.2.3) by Dr. R. Cook

11.00 a.m. - 1.30 p.m.

- Special subject-matter considerations of current high priority to the agencies (Agenda item No. 6)
 - nutrition - by Dr K.S. Rao
 - immunization - by Dr. R. Cook
 - diarrhoeal diseases - by Dr M.H. Wahdan
 - family planning - by Dr. S.A. Zafir
 - maternity care (including TBA's)-by Miss O'Brk
 - health learning materials - by Dr.A. Khogal

4.30 p.m. - 6.30 p.m.

(Group sessions)

- Proposals for action, for actual training and institution-building (Agenda item No. 7)
 - At local level (national in small countries, provincial or sub-provincial in others) (7.1)
 - training of PHC workers
 - training of traditional birth attendants

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WEDNESDAY, 26 March 1980

9.00 a.m. - 10.45 a.m. *

(Group sessions)

- Proposals for action, for actual training and institution-building
(Agenda item No. 7 Cont'd)
- At national or large provincial level
(7.2)
- training of teachers of PHC workers
- training of midwives and public health nurses
- training of doctors to play a more appropriate role in MCH, family planning and PHC

11.00 a.m. - 1.30 p.m.

(Back in plenary)

- At mix of national and inter-country levels (even inter-regional in some cases) (7.3)
- health learning materials programme by Dr. A. Khogali
- training of top-level midwifery tutors by Miss N. O'Brien
- training of persons who will be leaders in MCH, family planning and PHC programmes responsible for planning, implementing and evaluating services, for teaching and for action-oriented research - by Dr. R. Cook

THURSDAY, 27 March 1980

9.00 a.m. * 1.30 p.m.

- Résumé of commitments, and approval of a general workplan for joint activities in 1980 - 1983
(Agenda item No. 9)

PART II - FEMALE CIRCUMCISION
(2 days) 28 & 29 March 1980

FRIDAY, 28 March 1980

9.00 a.m. * 1.30 p.m.

- Review of the present situation as regards female circumcision in our Region (Agenda item No. 1) - by Dr. T.A. Baasher
- Review activities at present being undertaken by the Agencies (Agenda item No. 2) - Dr. R. Cook
- Preliminary Report on results to-date of a WHO-sponsored study on the epidemiology of female circumcision in the Sudan (2.1) - Dr. H. Rushwan

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FRIDAY, 28 March 1980 (Cont'd)

9.00 a.m. - * 1.30 p.m. (Cont'd)

- Discussion of potential areas for joint activities (Agenda item No. 3)
- Epidemiological research and better definition of the nature and magnitude of the problem (3.1)
- Dissemination of information particularly about the harmful effects of pharaonic female circumcision (3.2)
- Is there a possibility of operational research to evaluate what effect health education can have on reducing the incidence of pharaonic circumcision ? (3.3)

SATURDAY, 29 March 1980

9.30 a.m. - * 1.30 p.m.

- Summing up of commitments and approval of a general workplan for joint activities in 1980 - 1984 (Agenda item No. 4)