

Symposium Safe Motherhood and International Child Health

Training Health Workers in Low Income Countries



Date: 28/11/2014
09.30-17.30

Flevo Ziekenhuis,
Almere

Leeuwarden, 11/9/2014

Dear all,

We warmly welcome you to attend this symposium titled 'Training health workers in low income countries', organized by the Dutch Working Party on International safe Motherhood, in collaboration with the Dutch Working Group International Child Health.

In the pre-noon session the Working Group International Child Health will show you that the highly acclaimed Dutch style of teaching does not always give the desired result in different cultures. Competency-based medical education has become the standard in the Netherlands. In addition, it is not uncommon for interns to give feedback to a medical specialist about the quality of the work. The question is whether this style of education is appropriate in different cultures as well.



In the noon-session 4 presenters will elaborate on different training programmes in different cultures, highlighting impact of the training, intercultural dimensions of the training programmes and other lessons learned. Marco Versluis will talk about Emergency Obstetric care training in Sierra Leone. Nasrat Ansari and Tegbar Yigzaw Sendekie, both employed with JHPIEGO, will highlight different aspect of pre-service training programmes in Afghanistan and Ethiopia. Ellen Nelissen, who will defend her thesis, "Improving maternal outcome in rural Tanzania using obstetric simulation-based training", the day before the symposium, will present her findings with skills training making use of Mama Natalie.

In the afternoon 4 senior presenters will highlight different aspects of training programmes and answer important questions. What can we learn from many years of experience with Life Saving Skills training in Emergency Obstetric Care in many different countries? Is training enough or is more action needed? How can training be sustainably implemented? Is it true that the attitude of health workers hinders sustainable development?

On behalf of the organising committee,

Ronald Boontje & Jelle Stekelenburg

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PROGRAMME

Prenoon-session (Facilitator: Marco Versluis)

9.30 – 10.15 hrs. Patrick van Rheenen:
"Intercultural dimensions"

10.15 – 10.45 hrs Albertine Baauw and
Jeanine Punt: "Emergency Triage Assessment
and Treatment"

10.45 – 11.15 hrs. Ronald Boontje and Hege
Ersdal: "Helping Babies Breathe"

Noon-session (Facilitator: Albertine Baauw)

11.45 – 12.05 hrs Marco Versluis :
"Emergency obstetric care training in Sierra
Leone"

12.05 – 12.25 hrs Nasratullah Ansari:
"Pre-service Midwifery Education Program in
Afghanistan"

12.25 – 12.45 hrs. Ellen Nelissen:
"Skills training with MamaNatalie in Tanza-
nia"

12.45 – 13.05 hrs. Tegbar Yigzaw
Sendekie: "Pre-service education of mid-
wives in Ethiopia; how well are they pre-
pared for practice?"

**Afternoon-session (Facilitator: Gerco Jan-
sen)**

14.15 – 14.30 hrs Jelle Stekelenburg:
"Unsafe motherhood; what should we do?
Just training or anything else?"

14.30 – 15.00 hrs. Charles Ameh:
"Training Life Saving Skills in Emergency
Obstetric Care; an overview of training,
best practices, lessons learned, outcome
and impact"

15.00 - 15.30 hrs. Esto Mduma:
"Sustainable implementation of in-service
training in practice"

15.30 – 16.00 hrs. Maarten Glas:
"A Killing Attitude"

16.00 Drinks and gossip

Information about the speakers and facilitators

Nasratullah Ansari is an OBGYN and serves as president of Afghanistan National Public Health Association and country director for Jhpiago-an affiliate of Johns Hopkins University in Afghanistan. He is active in improving maternal and newborn health through implementing best practices, education and research in Afghanistan. He is enrolled in a PhD program on Safe Motherhood at VU University Amsterdam.

Ronald Boontje is a consultant in Pediatrics and Neonatology in the Medical Centre Leeuwarden. He has a special interest in medical teaching in general pediatrics and neonatal resuscitation (ENLS), both in western cultures as well in low income countries. He is a member of the board of the Working Group International Child Health and is involved in short training courses abroad.

Hege Langli Ersdal, MD, PhD

Associate Professor, University of Stavanger, Norway
Consultant Anaesthesiologist, Stavanger University
Hospital, Norway

Postdoc Position and Advanced Facilitator, SAFER
(Stavanger Acute medicine Foundation for Education
and Research), Stavanger, Norway
She is engaged in several research and development
projects throughout Africa: "Helping Babies Breathe"
and "Helping Mothers Survive" simulation-based
training, and "Safer Births" innovations and research
to improve newborn resuscitation and fetal heart rate
monitoring for safer births worldwide.

Disciplines: Maternal and Newborn Emergencies,
Simulation-based Education, Anesthesiology, and
Global Health

Maarten Glas is a consultant OB/GYN at the Wil-
helmina Ziekenhuis Assen, Netherlands. He has
worked as a doctor for MSF, UNDP and for local
authorities in different settings and countries. He is
an instructor for the MOET course on emergency
obstetrical care in the Netherlands and provides
EmONC courses for MSF medical staff in various
countries.

Albertine Baauw is a consultant in Pediatrics in
the Rijnstate Ziekenhuis in Arnhem. She has
worked for 7 years abroad in different settings
for CORDAID, WHO, MSF and others mainly in
child health programs. She has a special interest
in Public Health, infectious diseases and trav-
el-medicine. She is a member of the board of
the Working Group International Child Health.
Currently involved in training ETAT abroad.

Esto Mduma is a specialist in Public Health, Research
Manager in Haydorn Lutheran Hospital and PhD student
in Stavanger University Norway.

Actively participating in research projects Safer
Births (www.SaferBirths.com) and Malnutrition and Enter-
ic Diseases ([http://www.fnih.org/work/key-initiatives/
mal-ed/](http://www.fnih.org/work/key-initiatives/mal-ed/))

Ellen Nelissen holds a specialisation in Tropical Medicine
and is currently specialising in Obstetrics and Gynaecol-
ogy at St. Michael's Hospital in Bristol, United Kingdom.
She has just finished a PhD about the evaluation of
obstetric simulation-based training in rural Tanzania.

Dr. Patrick van Rheenen, MD, PhD

Pediatric gastroenterologist/Clinical Epidemiologist at
the University Medical Center in Groningen. He has a
special interest in clinical research in Pediatrics in
general and Gastroenterology and International Child
Health in particular. He is chairman of the Working
Group International Child Health and supervises
clinical and scientific electives for medical students
from the University of Groningen.

Tegbar Yigzaw, MD, MPH, is Deputy Chief of Party,
Strengthening Human Resources for Health Project,
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ty of Gondar, Institute of Public Health

Dr. Jelle Stekelenburg, MD, PhD,
Consultant Obstetrics & Gynaecology in the Medi-
cal Centre of Leeuwarden (MCL), the chairman of
the Working Party International Safe Motherhood
and Reproductive Health (www.safemotherhood.nl)
and internationally active in education, research
and advocacy in Safe Motherhood topics.

Venue

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