Network Health for All

MMS Workshop Follow-up Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE)

Let's get deeper into the *implementation of CSE*



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Date: 22 of March 2018

Venue: Geneva, World Council of Churches, Ecumenical Centre, 150 Route de Ferney,

1218 Le Grand-Saconnex **Time**: 1pm – 4:45 pm (incl. Apéro)

Moderators: Dr. Venkatraman Chandra-Mouli (WHO), Dr. Rebecka Lundgren (Georgetown University), Ms Marina Plesons (WHO) and Ms Andréa Rajman (MMS)

Sexual and reproductive ill-health is a major contribution to the burden of disease among young people. The objective of CSE is to ensure that young people can build their knowledge, skills, attitudes and values to responsibly enjoy their sexuality – physically and emotionally, individually and in relationships. It empowers young people to protect their health, well-being and dignity, as well as to know and exercise their rights. There is clear evidence that CSE has a positive impact on sexual and reproductive health (SRH). The objective of CSE is to ensure that young people can build their knowledge, skills, attitudes and values to responsibly enjoy their sexuality – physically and emotionally, individually and in relationships.

Following up on the CSE workshop (28.9.2017), that gave a good overview on CSE, the MMS members expressed their desire to get a deeper understanding of how to implement CSE projects and have more time for discussion. Therefore, this follow-up workshop has a focus on the implementation process (challenges, best practices):

- Presentation of case studies on implementation of CSE (India, Pakistan, Nigeria and Uganda)
- Discussion and exchange
- Informal networking/ Apéro

The workshop is also open to persons who haven't been present at the first workshop.

We have the pleasure to learn from, and to discuss with Dr. Venkatraman Chandra-Mouli (WHO), Dr. Rebecka Lundgren (Georgetown University) and Ms Marina Plesons (WHO) on our own questions and challenges we face in our programs.

Workshop fee: free for MMS members and students/ CHF 50.- for non-members

Language: English

Register by emailing to Mira Gardi (MMS): mgardi@medicusmundi.ch



Netzwerk Gesundheit für alle Réseau Santé pour tous Network Health for All CSE follow-up Workshop, 22.March 2018 in Geneva 1pm – 4:45pm

Dr. Venkatraman Chandra-Mouli works on Adolescent Sexual and Reproductive Health (ASRH) in the World Health Organization's Department of Reproductive Health and Research. With over 25 years of experience, he focuses on building the evidence base on ASRH, and supporting countries to translate this evidence into action through well-conceived and well-managed policies and programs.

Dr. Rebecka Lundgren is the Director of Research for the Institute for Reproductive Health (IRH) at the Georgetown University Medical Center. She has over 25 years of qualitative research experience, and is the Principal Investigator of the USAID-funded GREAT Project (Gender Roles, Equality and Transformation), a six-year project aiming to facilitate the formation of gender equitable gender norms, prevent gender-based violence and lay the foundation for future sexual health among 10-18 year olds in Northern Uganda.

Ms Marina Plesons is a consultant at the WHO, working on adolescent sexual and reproductive health in the Adolescents and At-Risk Populations Team of the Department of Reproductive Health and Research. She has a MPH from the University of Washington, and is also the co-founder of Health Advocacy Innovations, a NGO working on low-tech global health innovations for pediatric MDR-TB and for early child development.