



Workshop program: Health for all - The People's Health Movement

Date:	Sunday 6 th July 2008
Time:	9.30am – 4.00pm
Venue:	The Ship Inn at South Bank Cnr Stanley and Sidon Streets Southbank Parklands Brisbane (close to the Population Health Congress venue)

This joint workshop of the People's Health Movement (Australia) and the Political Economy of Health and Primary Health Care SIGs of PHAA will focus on the intersection between health and social justice. In keeping with PHM tradition, the workshop will provide opportunities to link stories of struggle with social and economic determinants of people's health with actions by citizens and activists to improve health.

SPEAKERS

Ms Premila Kumar	Consumer Council of Fiji
Dr Sovan Dey	International MPH student from Bangladesh
Dr Wayne Sanderson	Queensland Multicultural Development Association
Dr David Legge	School of Public Health, La Trobe University, Melbourne
Dr Pat Neuwelt	School of Population Health, University of Auckland

Speaker biographies are provided overleaf.

PROGRAM

Session 1: PHM, PHM Oz and PHM NZ (9.30-11.00)

9.30-9.50	Introductions
9.50-10.20	The global People's Health Movement (Assoc Prof David Legge)
10.20-10.40	PHM Oz
10.40-11.00	PHM in New Zealand (Dr Pat Neuwelt)

11.00-11.30 Tea break

Session 2: Issues in our region: building the networks (11.30-1.00)

11.30-12.00	Fiji (Ms Premila Kumar)
12.00-12.30	Bangladesh (Dr Sovan Dey)
12.30-1.00	Discussion - issues in our region: how to respond and build networks

1.00-2.00 Lunch

Session 3: From local to global (2.00-3.30)

2.00-2.30 QLD Multicultural Development Association (Dr Wayne Sanderson)

2.30-3.30 Discussion: Where to from here for PHM Oz? How an Australian PHM could strengthen the voices of communities who are struggling over their own health care and the conditions for health and help to build solidarity with similar struggles in other countries. Goals and plan of action.

3.30-4.00 PHC & PEH SIG Annual General Meetings

4.00 Close

REGISTRATION

\$60 (\$30 for students)

The registration fee covers morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea.

To register, please complete the registration form available from www.phaa.net.au under conferences, then return to PHAA, fax: 02 6282 5438

Registrations close 1st July 2008 and no refunds will be given for cancellations after this date.

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SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Ms Premila Kumar, CEO Consumer Council of Fiji

Ms Premila Kumar heads the Consumer Council of Fiji, which is tasked with the responsibility of protecting the rights and interests of consumers including consumers of health services in Fiji. She champions consumer rights in Fiji and has more recently been pushing for reform in the health sector to narrow the gap in the existing inequitable health services and to make health service affordable and accessible to every consumer in Fiji.

Her keen interest is on the effects of trade policy on health particularly dumping of inferior quality food in the Pacific, lack of food standards and poor border control that has adversely affected the health budget. Having worked for the Department of Environment for more than ten years, she is also interested about the links between human health and environmental factors.

Mrs. Kumar obtained her Master degree in the area of trade and environment (with Distinction) from Wageningen University in the Netherlands. She also has a Bachelor of Science degree (first Division) and Post Graduate Diploma in Biology and Post Graduate Certificate in Education.

Among her many commitments, Mrs. Kumar is a member of National Health Promotion Council in Fiji, Board Member of the USP Institute of Applied Sciences, Director of Transparency International Fiji, and Environmental Adviser and Trustee of Vanua Hara (NGO for Legal Advice in the area of Environment).

Dr Wayne Sanderson, Queensland Multicultural Development Association

Dr Wayne Sanderson has researched, managed and led many systemic and structural advocacy and public policy campaigns and programs across 30 years with NGO and church related agencies. His work has addressed mental health and disability service challenges with refugee, indigenous, youth and lower socio-economic population groups. He has worked in 3 states of Australia and in the USA.

He is currently semi-retired. He does adjunct teaching with the Griffith School of Public Health and consultancy in advocacy and public policy with NGOs in the Brisbane area. He also chairs the Health Community Council at the Royal Brisbane and Womens Hospital as an independent statutory appointee.

Dr Pat Newelt, School of Population Health, University of Auckland

Pat Neuwelt is a member of PHM-NZ, which formed in 2006. It is a loose network of public health people committed to people-centred health systems!

Pat is a qualified general practitioner and public health physician. She is currently a senior lecturer in public health at the School of Population Health, University of Auckland, where she coordinates the introductory paper for the public health programme. Her professional interests include the application of a health promotion approaches to the delivery of health care and health development for vulnerable groups through primary health care.

Pat is the author of Community Participation Toolkit – A resource for primary health organisations (published by Steele-Roberts, 2007), published from her PhD research on that topic. The book presents a set of resources and a set of indicators for mainstream organisations wanting to engage with communities, where reducing health inequalities is an explicit goal.

Dr. Sovan Dey, international MPH student from Bangladesh

Dr Sovan graduated from Manipal College of Medical Sciences, Pokhara, Nepal in 2000. After completing his internship, he worked as a resident medical officer in the Department of General Surgery in Manipal Teaching Hospital (Pokhara, Nepal) until 2003. During this period he joined many free medical camps in remote areas of Nepal.

Sovan worked at Holy Family Red Crescent Medical College and Hospital in Dhaka, Bangladesh, from 2003 until 2007 in the department of general surgery. He worked in Jamil General Hospital, in Kaligonj, Bangladesh for free surgical treatment of poor villagers from 2003 to 2006. Sovan is a member of Wari Lions Club and a life member of Bangladesh Medical Association. He is also one of the founder directors of Wari Golden Hospital & Diagnostic Complex, Wari, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

At present Sovan is pursuing a Master of Public Health in Latrobe University in Melbourne by research mode. His passion is in policy arena regarding prevention and control of infectious disease, at both national and international levels.

Associate Professor David Legge, La Trobe University, Melbourne

David Legge teaches health policy and public health at La Trobe University in Melbourne. He is an ex vice president of PHAA and was recipient of the Sidney Sax Medal in 2004. David has a longstanding interest in the political economy of health and the comparative study of health systems with a particular interest in health policy in China.

David is active in the People's Health Movement in Australia (www.phmoz.org) and is a member of the global Steering Council of the People's Health Movement (www.phmovement.org). He has been involved in the International People's Health Council since 1995; IPHC is one of the eight global networks which got together to organise the first People's Health Assembly in 2000 and which founded the PHM. David is academic coordinator of the International People's Health University (www.phmovement.org/iphu) which provides short course training for health activists involved in the PHM. The IPHU has run such short courses in Cuenca, Bhopal, Vancouver, Atlanta, Savar, Jaipur and Cairo and has more planned.