



Social Determinants of Health

A global perspective

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## Objective

- ✦ To disseminate a broader understanding of health so that a social dimensions perspective becomes commonly used in analysis of problems in international health



## Goal

To develop a high quality and practical social determinants of health 'lens' useable as a field tool by health activists in developing countries.





## Activities

- ✦ PHM writes a project proposal (Hani, 2mo)
- ✦ Present proposal to funding agencies (PHM)
- ✦ Advertise and employ a project coordinator (PHM)
- ✦ Develop an international SDH circle
- ✦ Advertise that PHM global is working on developing a SDH tool.

## Project: Phase I (6 mo)

- ✦ Project coordinator + international circle researches and develops lens
- ✦ PHM global prints a brief summary with case studies
- ✦ PHM disseminates to grassroots that the tool exists and there is a resource person.



### Project Phase III 3 mo

- ✦ Coordinator and international circle evaluate and redesign tool.
- ✦ The initial project output is thus a internationally field tested tool for social determinant of health analysis.

### Phase II (15 mo)

- ✦ Coordinator works as a resource taking the tool to international situations and helping with its application.
- ✦ Coordinator simultaneously keeps a database of case studies.



## Why?

- ✦ PHM becomes a grassroots resource and more a grassroots organization
- ✦ PHM builds its own organizational knowledge.
- ✦ PHM invests in widening a critically important alternative approach to health.
- ✦ Participatory research at its best!



## From There....

- ✦ Coordinator (with PHM help) to try to present this participatory research to higher levels (e.g. WHO) and international conferences to disseminate SDH analysis.
- ✦ PHM to attempt to publicise the tool
- ✦ PHM global SDH specialist to be available to IPHU and other teaching institutions.
- ✦ PHM to consider using this approach (specialist employed plus international circle ) to develop other core aspects of PHM analysis of health issues.

## And then?

- ✦ ?continuing project- PHM to maintain an database and SDH as a resource person to assist grassroots activists.
- ✦ Next phase in participatory research: developing tools, knowledge and ideas in how to implement health from a SDH perspective...



## Coordinator.

- ✦ Good spoken, written, electronic communication
- ✦ Happy working independently
- ✦ Team skills- support and coordination
- ✦ Experienced researcher and able to synthesize
- ✦ Grassroots experience
- ✦ Fluent in one of English, French Spanish etc
- ✦ Other languages an asset.
- ✦ Comfortable working/presenting at "high" level
- ✦ Can travel
- ✦ Believes in IPHU, interest in Social Determinants