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MRC5S ESSENTIAL HEALTH RESEARCH GROUPS'S
'BUILDING A HEALTHY NATION THROUGH RESEARCH'
CONFERENCE

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME: as on 22 04 1993

DATES: 21, 22 & 23 JUNE 1993

DAY ONE

(OPEN SESSION FOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS, MRC STAFF & STAKEHOLDERS/
GUESTS)

JUNE, 21: PLENARY SESSIONS: ADDITORIUM, CONFERENCE CENTRE

08:00 Registration and Coffee

CHAIRPERSON: DR OLIVE SHISANA: GROUP MANAGER : EHR

09:00 Opening:

Prof O W Prozesky, MRC President (15 minutes)

09:15 Future Health Challenges Facing South Africa

Dr Derek Yach, Group Executive: Essential Health Research
Group (20 minutes)

09:35 Discussion: 20 minutes

MRC NATIONAL RESEARCH PROGRAMMES

09:55 Addressing the Trauma Crisis: The MRC's strategy

Dr Johan van der Spuy, National Programme Leader,
Trauma Research Programme (15 minutes)

10:10 Discussion: 20 minutes

10:30 Addressing the Tuberculosis Crisis: The MRC's strategy

Dr Bernard Fburie, National Programme Leader, Tuberculosis
Research Programme (15 minutes)

10:45 Discussion: 20 minutes

11:05 TEA

11:30 Addressing the Drought and Nutritional Deficiencies Crisis:
The MRC's strategy

Dr Spinnie Benade , National Programme Leader, Nutritional
Intervention Research Programme (15 minutes)

' 11:45 Discussion: 20 minutes

12:05 Halting the Spread of Malaria in Southern Africa: The
MRC's strategy

Dr Brian Sharp, National Programme Leader, Malaria Research
Programme (15 minutes)

12:20 Discussion: 20 minutes

12:40 Addressing the Impact of Urbanisation on Health in South
Africa. The MRC's response.

Dr thn Seager, National Programme Leader, Urbanisation and
Health Research Programme (15 minutes)

12:55 Discussion: 20 minutes

13:15 LUNCH

14:15 Halting the Spread of AIDS in South Africa through Health Promotion Intervention Research - MRC plans.

Dr Malcolm Steinberg, National Programme Leader, AIDS Research Programme (15 minutes)

14:30 Discussion: 20 minutes

14:50 The Contribution of Epidemiology to Building a Healthy Nation Through Research

Dr S S Abdool Karim, Director, Centre for Epidemiological Research in Southern Africa (CERSA) MRC (15 minutes)

15:05 Discussion: 10 minutes

15:15 Chronic Diseases of Lifestyle: A Threat for All Adult South Africans

Dr Krisela Steyn, Chronic Diseases of Lifestyle, CERSA, MRC (10 minutes)

15:25 Health Systems Research for Evaluation & Management: Can Health Care contribute to Improving the Health Status of South Africa?

Dr MErick Zwarenstein, Health Systems Division, CERSA, MRC (10 minutes)

15:35 Discussion: 10 minutes

15:50 TEA. POSTER VIEWING AND INDIVIDUAL DISCUSSIONS WITH RESEARCHERS

16:45 SUMMARY OF THE DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

Dr R Stewart: Group Executive Technology Development & Transfer as well as Strategic Health Research Auditorium, MRC Conference Centre

19:30 CONFERENCE DINNER

(Costs and venue to be announced.)

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DAY TWO

(CLOSED SESSION: FOR MRC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND MRC STAFF ONLY)

JUNE, 22

08:00-08:30 MEETING: PROGRAMME LEADERS: ON PROCEDURES

08:30-17:00 WORKSHOPS PER INDIVIDUAL RESEARCH PROGRAMME

Advisory Committee Members and MRC Staff meet in rooms as indicated

Trauma Conference Centre Breakaway Room A

Tuberculosis Conference Centre Breakaway Room B

Nutritional Intervention Conference Centre Breakaway Room C

CERSA/Epidemiology Conference Centre: Auditorium

(& Chronic Diseases of Lifestyle & Health Systems Research)

Malaria EHR Group Committee Room

Urbanisation CERSA Committee Room, 1st Floor

AIDS CERSA Committee Room, 2nd Floor

Essential Health Res. Group :1 To be announced

08:30-09:30 Session 1: Critical Review of Research Progress

to date(i.e. past output) 1 hour

09:30-10:30 Session 2: Assessment of Current Focus of

Research 1 hour

10:30-11:00 TEA

11:00-13:00 Session 3: Strengths and Weaknesses of Research

Programmes 2 hours

13:00-13:45 LUNCH

13:45-15:00 Session 4: Opportunities available Barriers

to Success for each Programme

1.25 hours

15:00-15:15 TEA

15:15-16:00 Session 5: (PREPARATION OF REPORT BACK)

The Way forward:

Consensus on the Strengths/Weaknesses and Opportunities

16:00-16:30 Identifying Barriers to Success 1Prioritising them /

Generating Solutions

16:30-17:00 Strategies and Activities

19:30 DINNER (for Advisory Committee Members)

Evening free

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DAY THREE

(CLOSED SESSION: FOR MRC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS & MRC STAFF ONLY)

JUNE, 23 REPORT BACK FROM ALL PROGRAMMES: VENUE - AUDITORIUM

(20 minutes report, 10 minutes discussion)

Chairperson: Dr Olive Shisana, Group Manager, EHR

Rapporteur elected from advisory committee members

08:30 Trauma

08:50 Discussion

09:00 Tuberculosis

09:20 Discussion

09:30 Nutritional Intervention

09:50 Discussion

10:00-10:15 TEA

10:15 CERSA

10:35 Discussion

10:45 Urbanisation

11:05 Discussion

11:15 AIDS

11:35 Discussion

11:45 Malaria

12:05 Discussion

12:15 Public Health Research in Africa: Challenges for the MRC _

Dr Pamela thnson, USAID

. 12:40 Acknowledgements:

Dr Derek Yach, Group Executive, EHR

12:45 Closing Remarks

Dr M15 Abdullah, The Aga Khan Hospital, Kenya

13:00 LUNCH

14:30 Sightseeing for Advisory Committee Members

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