



Welcome to the Third Workshop for Improving Disability Statistics and Measurement (for pilot countries)

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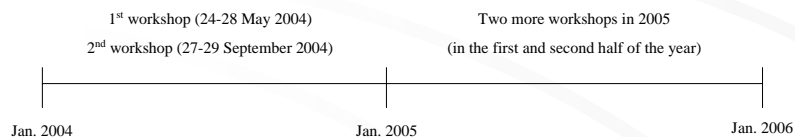


UNESCAP Project for improved disability statistics and measurement (March 2004 – December 2005)

Goal: Improve disability statistics by applying the ICF framework in the data collections of a core number of countries and promote the implementation of the Biwako Millennium Framework

Outcome: A strategy for improved disability data in the region, as recommended by the BMF, is developed, tested and implemented

Output: Trained staff, national action plans, standard collection instruments, disability manual and training material



Other substantive activities: (1) Disability manual; (2) Field testing of disability questions; (3) Implementation of National Action Plans



Achievements of two earlier workshops in 2004

1st Workshop, Bangkok, 24-28 May 2004

- Increased awareness of the ICF framework and its use for data collection
- Developed national action plans for improved disability data and ICF implementation

2nd Workshop, Bangkok, 27-29 September 2004

- How to operationalize ICF into questions for surveys and censuses
- How to bring registers in line with ICF
- Testing and interviewing techniques to get better data
- Feedback on the draft disability manual
- Progress on national action plans



Recent developments after the second workshop

- Finalized the disability manual
- WHO Survey on interview costs
- Development of question sets and testing instruments and protocols
- Coordinated the regional project with UNSD and Washington Group



Objectives of the third workshop

This workshop focuses on pilot testing countries only.

Objectives:

- Introduce the WHO/UNESCAP Framework
- Familiarize the country teams with the testing protocols and questionnaire
- Discuss conceptual and methodological issues to operationalize field tests
- Agree on the implementation strategies
- Develop national action plans to implement the tests



Organization of Workshop sessions

Session 1- WHO/UNESCAP Framework for Pre-testing of Disability Question Sets

Session 2- Presentation and familiarization with Study Protocols and Instruments

- Section by section review of the questionnaire
- Role play interviews
- Identification of learning points for interview training

Session 3- Operational Issues in Pre-testing

- Sampling
- Cognitive testing
- Data entry programme
- Quality control
- Interview training
- Implementation of study protocols



Organization of Workshop sessions (cont.)

Session 4- Developing National Action Plans for Pre-testing

- Country team work on Action Plans
- Follow-up activities by WHO, UNSD and UNESCAP

Output of the Workshop

- Country Action Plans
- Commitment of national teams to carry out the proposed tests and submit the required reports and forms by end of July (at the latest)
- Conclusions of the Workshop (to be adopted at the closing session)
- Evaluation of the Workshop



Other work methods and arrangements

Questions and active participation strongly recommended

The smaller the group the better exposure to resource persons

On the sidelines, WHO and UNESCAP will contact countries to discuss contract arrangements

Social event: Reception at UNESCAP Dining Room, UNCC
(3 May, 17:30-19:00 hours)

Work hours: 08:30-17:00

Lunch arrangement: 1 hour only

Daily subsistence allowances payment