Overview

PEVS and RELACCSIS

UN Workshop on the Principles and Recommendations for a Vital Statistics System, Revision 3, for Caribbean Countries

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PEVS - Regional Plan of Action for Strengthening Vital and Health Statistics

**Background**

**2003:** Regional Advisory Committee on Health Statistics (CRAES): to analyze the situation of health statistics in the region to improve the coverage and quality and other relevant to the health sector.

**2004-2005:** Analysis / diagnosis of the health situation of the countries using Health Metrics Network tool.
2007: Strategy approved

“The availability of timely, valid, and reliable data is a prerequisite for the formulation and monitoring of policies to improve the health of the peoples of the Americas.”
2008: PEVS approved

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REGIONAL PLAN OF ACTION FOR STRENGTHENING VITAL AND HEALTH STATISTICS
PEVS - Objectives

- Help the countries develop and implement a process for monitoring and evaluating the quality, coverage, and timeliness of vital and health statistics.
- Identify and disseminate good practices and lessons learned.
- Develop standards, methodologies, and tools.
- Harmonize technical cooperation projects, programs, and financing with other agencies.
- Mobilize resources.
PEVS - Components

• **Country:** Addresses the problems identified in each country, involving specific actions.

• **Intercountry:** Includes activities shared by a group of countries with common problems (coverage, quality) and common solutions (regional courses, use of standard software or classifications)
PEVS - Components

- **Corporative**: PAHO Secretariat in the delivery of technical cooperation and complementary joint actions to develop HIS in countries.

- **Multiagency**: Considers the common needs of the agencies in terms of validity and reliability of statistics, and the harmonization of technical cooperation in the field of strengthening of HIS.
## PEVS - Indicators

### LINES OF ACTION

#### 1. COUNTRY COMPONENT

**Objective:** Help the countries develop and implement a process for monitoring and evaluating (M&E) the coverage and quality of vital and health statistics.

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## PEVS - Indicators

### Regional Plan of Action for Strengthening Vital and Health Statistics

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Biannual Working Plan 2016-2017

• **Outcome:** All countries have functioning health information and health research systems.

• **Output:** Comprehensive monitoring of global, regional, and country health situations, trends, inequalities, and determinants using global standards, including data collection and analysis to address data gaps and system performance assessments.

• **Indicator:** Number of countries producing a comprehensive health situation and trend assessment during 2016-2017
RELACSIS is a component of the PAHO Regional Plan of Action for Strengthening Vital and Health Statistics

Launched in Peru  2010
5th annual meeting in Mexico  2013
3rd PAHO/WHO-FIC meeting in Mexico  2013
6th annual meeting in Colombia  2014  2015
Purpose

Develop a mechanism to coordinate regional efforts and promote horizontal south-south cooperation through:

- Proposing standards to generate higher-quality and timely information;
- Promoting the dissemination and use of existent information and knowledge;
- Promoting monitoring and evaluation of the performance of national HIS;
- Optimize human and financial resources.
South-South Cooperation to Strengthen Health Information Systems in the Americas: the RELACESIS experience

A networking mechanism which coordinates regional efforts that contribute to the ongoing improvement of HIS in the Americas.

- WG12. Harmonization of health indicators and data sources (includes inequality measurement)
- WG13. English-speaking Caribbean countries and Haiti
- WG11. Coverage and quality of health information
- WG10. Electronic Medical Records (EMR)
- WG9. Methods on active search and reclassification of maternal deaths
- WG8. PAHO/WHO Network of Collaborating Centers and National Reference Centers for the WHO Family of International Classifications
- WG7. Online course on completion of death certificates.
- WG6. Implementation of automated mortality coding system.
- WG5. Online course on medical information coding.
WG2. On line course for ICD 10 mortality coders (led by Argentina and Mexico).

- 3 months course, with tutor. Available at PAHO Virtual campus.

- Participants: Argentina, Dominican Republic Ecuador, Guatemala, Mexico, Nicaragua, Paraguay, and Uruguay (first round); Chile, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Peru, Colombia, and Panama (second round).

- Courses in 2014-2015: in June 2014 and in September 2014, involving a total of 204 students from different countries.
WG3. Implementation of a computer-assisted mortality coding system (led by Mexico).

- Mexico developed a Spanish version of the MMDS (system developed by the USA).
- Participants: Argentina, Chile, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Guatemala, Mexico, Paraguay, Uruguay, Colombia, Panama, Peru and Dominican Republic.
- It was also defining a proposal to evaluate conditions for the longer-term migration from MMDS to IRIS.
WG4. Virtual course on properly completing death certificate
• The course is available in Spanish and English through the virtual campus of PAHO: [http://cursos.campusvirtualsp.org/?lang=en](http://cursos.campusvirtualsp.org/?lang=en)

• The French version will be launched by the end of 2015
WG10. Electronic medical records (Forum)
Major recommendations related to WG8. English Caribbean countries during the RELACSI$S$ meeting 2015

- To have more technical material translated to English on the website.
- **WG2**: to develop a English version of the course.
- **WG3**: to discuss the implementation of IRIS.
- **WG4**: to develop a plan for disseminating the English and French versions of the course.
- **WG8**: participate in the ICD 11 field testing.
- **WG10**: increase the participation of the Caribbean countries.

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