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Overview

PEVS and RELACSYS

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

Port of Spain, December 1-4, 2015

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

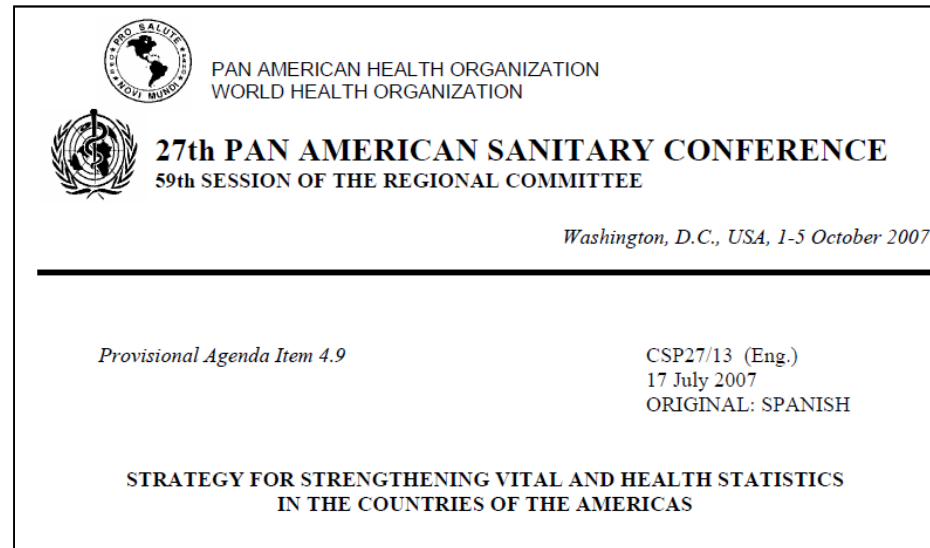
Background

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.

Background

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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7 August 2008
ORIGINAL: SPANISH

**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.



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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)



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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.



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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.		
Specific objectives	Indicators	Activities in support of the PEVS
1. Establish an interinstitutional committee on health information. 2. Engage in promotion and advocacy to strengthen vital and health statistics.	Number of countries with an active interinstitutional committee: Baseline (2007): 10 Goal (2013): 20	✓ Promote and support the establishment and operation of an interinstitutional committee on health information. ✓ Support promotion and advocacy activities to strengthen vital and health statistics.
3. Assess the status of vital and health statistics. 4. Prepare a status report on vital and health statistics.	Number of countries with an assessment of the status of vital and health statistics: Baseline (2007): 25 Goal (2013): 35	✓ Support carrying out an assessment and preparing a report on the status of vital and health statistics.



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PEVS - Indicators

Regional Plan of Action for Strengthening Vital and Health Statistics		
		Indicators and goal of the indicators
GOAL	Improve the coverage and quality of vital statistics	<p>Coverage – births</p> <p>Number of countries with less than 60% coverage of births that have improved that coverage by at least 20%: Baseline (2007): 0 (2013): 5</p> <p>Number of countries with 61% to 79% coverage of births that have improved that coverage by at least 10%: Baseline (2007): 0 (2013): 7</p> <p>Number of countries with 79% to 90% coverage of births that have reached at least 90% coverage: Baseline (2007): 0 (2013): 13</p> <p>Coverage – deaths</p> <p>Number of countries with less than 60% coverage of deaths that have improved that coverage by at least 20%: Baseline (2007): 0 (2013): 6</p>



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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



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Inspired Leadership. Sound Management. Transparent Governance



RELACSYS 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



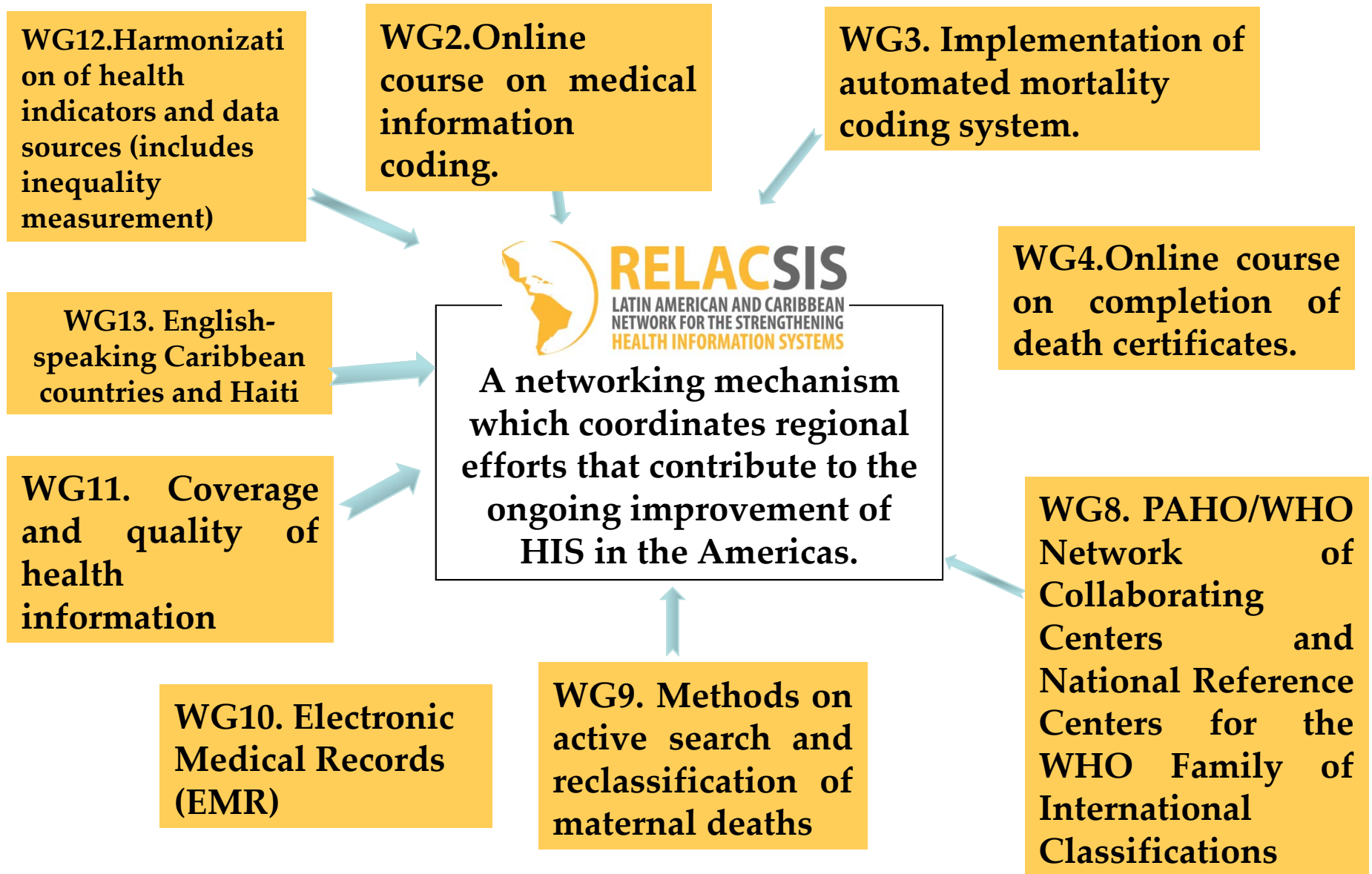


Purpose

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 RELACSYS experience





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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



**Virtual course
on properly
completing
Death Certificates**

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 Latest news

Course

-  Course contents
-  Course
-  Test



- The course is available in Spanish and English through the virtual campus of PAHO:
<http://cursos.campusvirtualsp.org/?lang=en>



- The French version will be launched by the end of 2015

WG10. Electronic medical records (Forum)



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SISTEMAS DE INFORMACION DE SALUD

INICIO RED AREAS DE TRABAJO FOROS BIBLIOTECA

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Noticias Destacadas

ACTIVIDAD
2015



Major recommendations related to WG8. English Caribbean countries during the RELACSYS 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.
Close caption.



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Thank you

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