Health in Post-Conflict and Fragile States: Challenges for the Next Decade

Thursday, June 9, 2011
U.S. Institute of Peace Headquarters
2301 Constitution Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20037

8:00 – 8:45am Registration

9:00 – 9:15am Welcome and Introductions

Welcome:
• Tara Sonenshine
  Executive Vice President, U.S. Institute of Peace

Introductions:
• Stephen Commins
  Strategy Manager, Fragile States, International Medical Corps

• Leonard Rubenstein
  Chair, USIP Health and Peacebuilding Working Group
  Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health

9:15 – 10:00am Liberia and Post-Conflict Health Reconstruction

Introduction:
• Leonard Rubenstein
  Chair, USIP Health and Peacebuilding Working Group
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Keynote Address: “Liberia and Post-Conflict Health Reconstruction”
• The Honorable Dr. Walter T. Gwennagale
  Minister of Health & Social Welfare of the Republic of Liberia

10:00 – 10:45am Health Service Delivery in Fragile and Conflict-Affected States: Contributions to Stability?

Introduction:
• Stephen Commins
  Strategy Manager, Fragile States, International Medical Corps

Speaker:
• Derick W. Brinkerhoff
  Distinguished Fellow in International Public Management, RTI International
10:45 – 11:00am Coffee Break

11:00am – 12:30pm What have we learned about the reconstruction of health systems?

*Introductions and Moderator:*
  - Stephen Commins
    Strategy Manager, Fragile States, International Medical Corps

*Discussants:*
  - William Newbrander
    Senior Technical Adviser, Management Sciences for Health
  - Egbert Sondorp
    Senior Lecturer in Conflict and Health, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine

12:30 – 1:30pm Luncheon and Conversation

1:30 – 3:00pm Panel discussion highlighting case studies of country experiences

*Moderator:*
  - Steven Morrison
    Director, Global Health Policy Center, Center for Strategic and International Studies

*Panelists:*
  - The Honorable Dr. Walter T. Gwenigale
    Minister of Health & Social Welfare of the Republic of Liberia
  - Ann Claxton (Somalia)
    Senior Technical Advisor, Center for Global Health, World Vision International
  - Steven Solter (Afghanistan)
    Country Lead, Management Sciences for Health
  - John Rumunu (South Sudan)
    Health Sector Transformation Project, Management Sciences for Health

3:00 – 3:30pm Conference Break

3:30 – 5:00pm Plenary: Human rights, governance, and vulnerable populations

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*Part I: Assaults on health in armed conflict*
  - Martin W. De Boer
    Deputy Head of Regional Delegation for the U.S. and Canada, International Committee of the Red Cross
Part II: Governance and health

- Paul Wise
  Richard E. Behrman Professor of Child Health and Society, Stanford Medical School

5:00 – 7:00pm Reception in the Great Hall

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9:00 – 10:45am Policy Questions for Donors

- Where does health reconstruction in post-conflict and unstable states “belong”? As part of a global health strategy? As an element of an integrated development, diplomacy, and/or security strategy? What are the implications of each?

- How should donors address health development needs in poorly governed states?

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Keynote Address: “The USAID Experience in Fragile States”

- Donald K. Steinberg
  Deputy Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development

A moderated discussion will follow Donald K. Steinberg’s speech

Moderator:

- Jonathan D. Quick
  President and CEO, Management Sciences for Health

Discussants:

- Andre Griekspoor
  Coordinator of the Strategy, Policy and Technical Development Unit, World Health Organization

- Ronald Waldman
  Professor of Epidemiology and Population and Family Health, Columbia University
10:45 – 11:00am Coffee Break

11:00 – 11:45am Human Rights Protection and Health

Introduction:
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Remarks By:
- Michael Posner
  Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights and Labor

11:45am – 1:00pm Plenary: Dealing with Insecurity and Transitions to Systems Development

Introductions and Moderator:
- Stephen Commins
  Strategy Manager, Fragile States, International Medical Corps

Part I: Health Professionals working in insecure environments
- Sonal Singh
  Assistant Professor of Medicine, Johns Hopkins University

Part II: Humanitarian aid and transition to development
- Emmanuel d’Harcourt
  Senior Health Director, International Rescue Committee

Part III: Insecure environments and military roles
- E. Anne Peterson
  Professor, The George Washington University

Part IV: Funding transitions
- Jacob Hughes
  Adviser to Ministry of Health and Social Welfare, Liberia

1:00 – 2:30pm Luncheon and Dialogue on Health consequences of conflict and instability, current knowledge and debates about mortality and morbidity

Introduction:
- Stephen Commins
  Strategy Manager, Fragile States, International Medical Corps

Speaker:
- Richard Garfield
  Professor, Schools of Nursing and Public Health, Columbia University and
  Advisor, Health System Reconstruction Office, CDC
2:30 – 3:30pm Health Reconstruction: Engaging and Serving Women

Moderator:
- Diana Silimperi
  Vice President, Management Sciences for Health

Panelists:
- Carla Koppell
  Senior Coordinator for Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment, USAID
- Joan Timoney
  Director of Advocacy and External Relations, Women’s Refugee Commission

3:30 – 4:30pm Moving Forward and Closing Remarks

Discussants:
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  Strategy Manager, Fragile States, International Medical Corps
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