

USAID/CSDS Report

Report for the period July 1st to July 31st 2010

Subproject FCO Number 504-C-00-07-00100-002:

Title

PREVENTION Other – Gender Focus Activities-PMTCT Male Involvement

Implementing Agency:

Help & Shelter

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PREVENTION – Gender Focus Activities

I. CURRENT STATUS and PROGRESS

The current status of the project is that activities with the two male groups – the Seventh day Adventist male group in Grove, and the male friendly group established by Help & Shelter, are conducted as per scheduled – the second and fourth Mondays of each month and the second and fourth Thursdays of each month respectively. The group sessions are conducted at the SDA Church in Grove and in the conference room of Help & Shelter from 5 pm and the sessions are facilitated by project staff – the two counselors, Julian Haynes and Karen Gomes and the project coordinator, Margaret Kertzious.

During the reporting period sessions with these groups were done on 22nd with the H&S established male friendly group with 6 males in attendance in H & S conference room. The topics covered were Gender Norms and HIV/AIDS. The other sessions with the male friendly group conducted at the SDA church in Grove were done on the 12th and 26th July 2010. The topics covered on the 12th were the DV- Power and control wheel with 10 males in attendance and Julian Haynes facilitated the session. On the 26th July 2010 the topic covered was Understanding Healthy Relationship.

See attached M & E narrative reports for the month of July 2010.

The assessment /research on the male involvement at the ANC-PMTCT sites are now completed at the identified sites; Grove Health Centre, Campbellville H/Centre, Beterverwaging Health Centre, the H/centre in Linden Region 10 and two H/Centres in Region 6, Berbice. This research was done in collaboration with the Ministry of Health, GHARP II and Help & Shelter as the implementing agency that ended on 23rd July 2010.

Planned Activities

Planned activity analysis as stated on the Project Planning Tool are:

- Prevention –Other
 - a) With the assistance of the Ministry of Health and GHARP II, conduct assessment on male involvement at ANC- PMTCT services in selected sites in Regions 4, 6 and 10
 - b) Facilitate group sessions and forums at ANC - PMTCT sites to allow discussion on HIV prevention and male norms and behaviours.
 - c) To inform MCH/PMTCT clients to alternatives to reduce sexual and gender-based violence.
 - d) To refer women accessing services at Help & Shelter to VCT and STI testing sites

- e) To promote Help & Shelter's services at all MCH/PMTCT sites in Region 4 through sensitization sessions for health care providers.
- f) Establish a tracking referrals system to identify number of persons referred verses number of persons accessing services.

- Project Management

1. A. Prevention Other

Meeting with the male friendly group for the month of July were conducted in Grove at the SDA Church and at the Crisis Service Centre. Please see attached M & E Reports on these activities.

Activities (b) and (c) are being conducted at 3 ANC-PMTCT sites and these are; Grove on the East Bank on Tuesdays; Dorothy Bailey on Wednesdays and Campbellville on Thursdays with ANC clients and pregnant women. The topics discussed are; Anger Management Healthy and Unhealthy Relationship; what is Child Abuse and what are the effects of Child Abuse.

Table of Activities

Health Centre	Date	Attendance	Male	Female	Age
Grove, E. B. D	6 th July	23	2	21	25 to 40 yrs
Grove	13 th July	30	0	30	25 to 40 yrs
Grove	27 th July	22	0	22	20 to 35 yrs
Dorothy Bailey	7 th July	23	1	22	25 to 35 yrs
Dorothy Bailey	14 th July	10	2	8	20 to 40 yrs
Dorothy Bailey	28 th July	10	0	10	25 to 35 yrs
Campbellville	29 th July	18	3	15	17 to 33 yrs

1. B. Project Management:

- The project coordinator performed the normal duty of managing the Crisis Service Centre on a daily basis with the support of the counselors and other core staff during the reporting period. The counseling supervisory meeting was held on the 1st Tuesday of July 2010 with the counselors, members of the counseling committee, the Peace Corps volunteer attached to the Shelter and the project coordinator. The scheduled planning meetings were held on the scheduled dates in July and Directors meeting was held on the 15th of July 2010.

2. Finance

Please be advised of all positive or negative variances by activity as stated on the Expenditure Variance Report [EVS] as at July 31 2010.

ACTIVITY	VARIANCES +[-]	JUSTIFICATIONS	COORDINATOR'S COMMENT
Men Involvement - evaluation on Male partner testing at 6PMTCT sites in Region 2,3 ,4,6 & 10	\$96,476	Transportation, Lunch	Allocated funds from other activities
Counselling – 2 Clinical Sites	\$ 106,400	Photo. Forms, Transportation.	Sessions continuing at Dorothy Bailey &

			C/ville Health Centres
Referrals	\$ (27,800)	Photo. Of forms, Leaflets, Stationery, Transportation	Reallocate funds
Collaborating Job Training & Employment Services	(30,956)	Photo. Forms, Leaflets, Transportation	Reallocate funds to Men Involvement sessions
Addressing Male Norms & Behaviour	\$(37,622)	Transportation, Facilitator Fee, Refreshment , Training Materials	Sessions continuing at H & S office and at Grove Church.
Referral- Substance Abuse Rehab programes	(78,000)	Transportation, Photo. Forms	Reallocate funds to Men Involvement sessions

3. Other activity - General counseling

An overall clientele data shows the clients who had accessed the services of Help & Shelter during the month of July 2010 under the following categories;

- New clients - 41
- Repeat clients - 61
- Hotline - 18
- Court support - 34 attendances
- Client referrals - 47
- Non-client referrals - 10

Clients were referred during the month of June 2010 to the following agencies to meet their needs;

- Ministry of Human Services – difficult circumstances dept.
- The police at different locations
- Guyana Legal Aid Clinic (GLAC)
- Ministry of Labour – employment opportunities
- Georgetown Public Hospital Corporation
- Child Protection Agency
- Alcohol/Drug Rehab Program
- Food for the Poor
- Dorothy Bailey Youth Friendly Centre
- Magistrates' Courts

4. Distribution of BCC materials and Condoms to walk – ins.

Male condoms - 1 box

Female condoms - 150

Posters

Help & Shelter (counseling) - 30

Child Abuse - 15

Trafficking in Persons - nil

Help & Shelter brochures 5000 were distributed in July to several persons who are working with youths and in the communities in several Regions.

Statistical Data:

Help & Shelter Yearly Data – 1st January to 31st July 2010, 341 new clients have accessed the services at the Crisis Service Centre on Homestretch Avenue.

Report on Rape victims for the same period show a figure of **22** between ages 6 to 30 years the highest being **10** victims between ages **12 to 14** years.

The Cumulative Client Data from 25th November 1995 to 31st July 2010 shows a total figure of **8958** clients -**7682 Female** and **1262 Male** – who have accessed the services at the Crisis Service Centre.

The Cumulative Client Data from 25th November 1995 to 31st July 2010

RAPE VICTIM (by age)

Under 6 years	28	15 - 17 yrs	85	41 - 50 years	2
6 - 8 years	52	18 - 20 yrs	28	51 - 60 years	2
9 - 11 years	83	21 - 30 yrs	37	60+ years	
12 - 14 years	141	31 - 40 yrs	14	Not stated	2
