

USAID/CSDS Report

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

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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 12th and 26th August with the H&S established male friendly group with 9 males in attendance at H & S conference room. The topics covered were examining the connection between DV and HIV/AIDS. The other sessions with the male friendly group conducted at the SDA church in Grove were done on the 9th and 23rd August 2010. The topics covered were linking DV & HIV/AIDS and self Concept. A total of 15 men attended the sessions.

See attached M & E narrative reports for the month of August 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 August 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. **Please see attached M & E report on these sessions.**

Table of Activities

Health Centre	Date	Attendance	Male	Female	Age
Grove, E. B. D	3 rd August	17	1	16	20 to 35 yrs
Grove	10 th August	18	0	18	20 to 35 yrs
Grove	17 th August	25	0	25	20 to 35 yrs
Grove	24 th August	20	0	20	21 to 30 yrs
Grove	31 st August	20	0	20	21 to 35 yrs
Dorothy Bailey	4 th August	20	2	18	25 to 40 yrs
Dorothy Bailey	11 th August	16	1	15	20 to 40 yrs
Dorothy Bailey	18 th August	19	1	18	20 to 40 yrs
Campbellville	5 th August	18	1	17	15 to 33 yrs
Campbellville	19 th August	26	10	16	15 to 32 yrs
Campbellville	26 th August	20	4	16	15 to 29 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 August 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 August and Directors meeting was held on the third Thursday of August 2010.

2. Finance

Please be advised of all positive or negative variances by activity as stated on the Expenditure Variance Report [EVS] as at August 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	\$93,236	Transportation, Lunch	Allocated funds from other activities
Counselling – 2 Clinical Sites	\$ 56,000	Photo. Forms, Transportation.	Sessions continuing at Dorothy Bailey & C/ville Health Centres

Referrals	\$ 32,200	Photo. Of forms, Leaflets, Stationery, Transportation	Reallocate funds
Collaborating Job Training & Employment Services	29,044	Photo. Forms, Leaflets, Transportation	Spending within budget
Addressing Male Norms & Behaviour	\$6,320	Transportation, Facilitator Fee, Refreshment , Training Materials	Sessions continuing at H & S office and at Grove Church.
Referral- Substance Abuse Rehab programmes	(10,000)	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 August 2010 under the following categories;

- New clients - 43
- Repeat clients - 35
- Hotline - 28
- Court support - 16 attendances
- Client referrals - 43
- Non-client referrals - 21

Clients were referred during the month of August 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)
- Georgetown Public Hospital Corporation
- Child Protection Agency
- Alcohol/Drug Rehab Program
- Dorothy Bailey Youth Friendly Centre
- Magistrates' Courts

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

Male condoms - 2 boxes

Female condoms - 75

Posters

Help & Shelter (counseling) - 30

Child Abuse - 10

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 August 2010, **385** 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 August 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 August 2010 –**remain the same as of last month.**

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