

**USAID/CSDS Report**

*Report for the period June 1st to June 30<sup>th</sup> 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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## Narrative Report Format

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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.

The assessment /research on the male involvement at the ANC-PMTCT sites started on 21<sup>st</sup> June with 3 interviewers working at the Grove Health Centre, Campbellville H/Centre, Beterverwagting Health Centre, and the H/centre in Linden Region 10 and several H/Centres in Region 6, Berbice. Questionnaires are developed to capture the relevant information for the purpose of the assessment/research. This research is done in collaboration with the Ministry of Health, GHARP II and Help & Shelter as the implementing agency.

#### **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.

The work planning tool was redefined to include the activity on **Formative Assessment Research on Male Partner Involvement in ANC-PMTCT Settings in Guyana. This activity commenced on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> July 2010 and work is being done at the Campbellville, Kitty, Grove, Linden and New Amsterdam Health Centres.**

- Project Management

### 1. A. Prevention Other

Meeting with the male friendly group for the month of June 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; Understanding DV; Gender-Based Violence; Profile of a Male Perpetrator; Healthy and Unhealthy Relationship; What is Child Abuse.

**Table of Activities**

Health Centre	Date	Attendance	Male	Female	Age
Grove, E. B. D	1 <sup>st</sup> June	18	0	18	15 to 35 yrs
Grove	8 <sup>th</sup> June	25	0	25	15 to 30 yrs
Grove	15 <sup>th</sup> June	19	2	17	15 to 30 yrs
Grove	22 <sup>nd</sup> June	35	1	34	15 to 35 yrs
Grove	29 <sup>th</sup> June	18	0	18	20 to 35 yrs
Dorothy Bailey	2 <sup>nd</sup> June	15	1	14	15 to 35 yrs
Dorothy Bailey	9 <sup>th</sup> June	22	2	20	15 to 30 yrs
Dorothy Bailey	16 <sup>th</sup> June	21	4	17	15 to 30 yrs
Dorothy Bailey	23 <sup>rd</sup> June	21	3	18	25 to 40 ''
Dorothy Bailey	30 <sup>th</sup> June	25	2	23	25 to 35 yrs
Campbellville	17 <sup>th</sup> June	18	1	17	15 to 32 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 1<sup>st</sup> June 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 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> of June and Directors meeting was held on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June 2010.

### 2. Finance

Please be advised of all positive or negative variances by activity as stated on the Expenditure Variance Report [EVS] as at June 30, 2010.

ACTIVITY	VARIANCES +[-]	JUSTIFICATIONS	COORDINATOR'S COMMENT
<b>Conduct evaluation on Male partner testing at 6PMTCT sites in Region 2,3,4,6 &amp; 10</b>	\$40,375	Transportation, Lunch photocopies, Stationery	Sessions to start in Reg. 4, 6 and 10
<b>Counselling – 2 Clinical Sites</b>	\$ 57,600	Photo. Forms, Transportation.	Sessions continuing at Dorothy Bailey & C/ville Health Centres

<b>Referrals</b>	\$ 42,200	Photo. Of forms, Leaflets, Stationery, Transportation	
<b>Collaborating Job Training &amp; Employment Services</b>		Photo. Forms, Leaflets, Transportation	Will get started.
<b>Addressing Male Norms &amp; Behaviour</b>	\$(12,722)	Transportation, Facilitator Fee, Refreshment , Training Materials	Sessions continuing at H & S office and at Grove Church.
<b>Referral- Substance Abuse Rehab programmes</b>		Transportation, Photo. Forms	

### 3. Other activity - General counseling

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

- New clients - 38
- Repeat clients - 44
- Hotline - 30
- Court support - 45 attendances
- Client referrals - 28
- Non-client referrals - 13

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 – Nil

Female condoms – Nil

#### Posters

Help & Shelter (counseling) – 87

Child Abuse - 80

Trafficking in Persons – 46

**Help & Shelter brochures – 2825 were distributed to several persons who are working with youths and in the communities in several Regions.**

**Statistical Data:**

Help & Shelter Yearly Data – 1<sup>st</sup> January to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2010, **300** 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 **17** between ages 6 to 30 years the highest being **8** victims between ages **12 to 14** years.

The Cumulative Client Data from 25<sup>th</sup> November 1995 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2010 shows a total figure of **8917** clients -**7647 Female** and **1256 Male** – 14 Not Stated, who have accessed the services at the Crisis Service Centre.

The Cumulative Client Data from 25<sup>th</sup> November 1995 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2010

Rape victims (by age)

Under 6 years	28	15 - 17 yrs	83	41 - 50 years	2
6 - 8 years	52	18 - 20 yrs	27	51 - 60 years	2
9 - 11 years	83	21 - 30 yrs	37	60+ years	0
12 - 14 years	139	31 - 40 yrs	14	Not stated	2

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