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UPDATE FROM THE SECRETARIAT

Congratulations to this year's winners of the Photo Competition. Kaddu John Bosco from CHRISC Uganda and Dedan Njoroge from CHRISC Kenya.

We are glad to inform you that the Kicking AIDS Out Notebook is being developed and will be printed and delivered from early November 2009. The Notebook will form part of the Communication tools. Thank you to all the contributors.

The 3rd Kicking AIDS Out Leader Level 2 Course will take place in Johannesburg, South Africa from 19th to 23rd Oct, 09. The Course will be in corporation with Community Development Resource Association (CDRA), Centre for Developmental Practice. This course will run concurrently with the Monitoring and Evaluation Seminar. Also in the formative stages of preparation is the planning for the Curriculum Review and Development Working Group meeting. The meeting shall take place in Cape Town, South Africa in November 2009.
“Go Sister’s 6th Annual Tournament”

The 6th Annual Go Sisters Tournament took place on the 15th and 16th August 09. The aim was to keep young people active while providing an opportunity to learn, educate and empower their communities about HIV and AIDS as well as other life skills. The tournament brought a number of teams across the 7 provinces of Zambia. Girls Under 12 and 15 competing in Basketball, Netball, Football and Volleyball. Right To Play pulled through a penalty shoot out to lift the football trophy whilst Kamwal won the volleyball.

Kalingalinga won in netball as did Livingstone’s Go Sisters who saw off Chawama Go Sisters in the basketball final. Peer leaders from all the places attended to spur on their sides.

The event was attended by special guest Debbie Lye head of International Development at UKSport, who helps EduSport operate programmes such as Go Sisters.

Go Sister’s is an EduSport initiative which aims at empowering girls by training and equipping them with skills and knowledge to pursue equality. It strives to empower girls by building physical resources, giving social recognition and challenging some traditional gender myth.

The “Kicking AIDS Out Football” Tournament

On September 26th, 2009 EduSport Foundation in collaboration with NWASCO (National Water Supply and Sanitation Council) and DTF (Devolution Trust Fund) Hosted “Kicking AIDS Out!” under 16 boys and girls football tournament. It was flagged off by the Director of Sport from the Ministry of Sport, the Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany, Honourable Frank Meyke.

This event was supported by Youth Development through Football (YDF) an international programme implemented by GTZ.
SEDYEL “All Star Tournament” 2009

The South East District Youth Empowerment League (SEDYEL) in partnership with the German Technical Cooperation/Youth Development through Football program and in collaboration with Commonwealth Games Association of Canada and UK Sport, hosted a unique All Star Football Tournament in Ramotswa, Botswana at the SEDYEL Youth Center on the 22\textsuperscript{nd} and 23\textsuperscript{rd} of August.

“YOUTH and Health”, was the theme of the day. It featured 30 teams (15 female and 15 male teams) in three age categories, under 13, 17 and 25 respectively. The teams were derived from the five villages of the South East District.
The event evoked a sense of African pride and communities aspiration in motivating young people to buy-into the goal of an HIV-free Africa. It started with a procession across the village led by Miss Botswana, Sumaiyah Marope. This will be an annual event that is hoping to ignite a sense of celebration.

Winner of The National Vision Award
SEDYEL won the 2009 vision 2016 award on 18\textsuperscript{th} September 2009 for having excelled in their pursuit of the national vision goals and aspirations. This is their 2\textsuperscript{nd} award in a period of two years. SEDYEL won under the pillar of an Educated and Informed Nation, Safe and Secure Nation as well as United and Proud Nation, that seeks by the year 2016 all Batswana should have access to education and should be a nation that stands together in developing the lives of its citizens.

Boitumelo Magosi Peer Education Coordinator, and a Kicking AIDS Out Leader Level 2 Trainer received the award on behalf of SEDYEL in Gaborone. She acknowledged all SEDYEL partners indicating that it is through their invaluable support that SEDYEL continues to be a model of excellence.

On the 16th- 19th of August 2009 NGO’s and Governmental representatives met in Johannesburg for an interactive seminar on Participation Coach Pathway Accreditation Framework development. The Seminar was attended by eight of the ten countries in the Zone VI in Africa who constitute the Technical Working group (TWG) in the Sport Education Accreditation Framework (SEAF) project. The Seminar was also attended by 12 Sport for development Non Governmental Organisations from 7 countries. 11 of the 12 NGO’s are Member or Associates to the Kicking AIDS Out Network. Seven Practitioners from the Kicking AIDS Out Member organizations namely SCORE South Africa; EduSport Zambia; Sports in Action, Zambia; Leaders In Training, Swaziland; OYAP Lesotho; CHRISC, East Africa and MYSA Kenya.

The NGO involvement meant additional expertise concerning the Participation Coaching. It is projected that the project will be implemented at country level by the Zone’s TWG.

Curriculum review meeting

After the Seminar 7 Practitioners were left behind to: Review the Kicking AIDS Out Training manuals, materials and the Kicking AIDS Out Training Pathway. The practitioners looked at the link of the Materials to the Training Pathway, and whether the materials helped the trainees achieve/ acquire the competencies required to be accredited as either Peer Leaders; Leader Level 1’s; Leader Level 2’s or Master Trainers. There was also a focus on delivery methods and how this could be improved. The workshop was organised to help address emerging gaps and issues identified during programme support visits and feedback from practitioners.
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