



Community Mobilization around PAC: Experiences in Peru

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Rationale for Community PAC

- ❑ Clinical services achieved only limited increase in access to services
- ❑ Local and Int'l NGOs recognized need for community to reflect on problems and barriers to access

Community Action Cycle



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PAC in Peru

- ❑ 6.7 million WRA
- ❑ 56% and more than 31% in unions do not use FP methods or use them incorrectly
- ❑ High rates of unsafe, clandestine abortion
- ❑ 35% of one million pregnancies end in induced abortion
- ❑ 188/100,000 MMR

Peru Experience



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Peru Experience

- Worked with local women's organization & maternity hospital
 - Provincial Federation of Organized Women (FEPRIMO)
 - Maternity & Perinatal Center (CMP)
- Utilized *autodiagnostico* instrument from Bolivia model with some adaptation

Peru Experience

- Communities were primarily served by CMP
- FEPRIMO
 - Familiar & trusted by community
 - Facilitated partnership CMP/community partnership



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Peru: Organization and Planning



- ❑ Facilitators from FEPRIMO trained
- ❑ 11 communities in and around city of Tarapoto
- ❑ 12 action plans developed



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Peru: Action Plan Implementation

- ❑ Adolescents identified as vulnerable group
- ❑ Organized educational talks
- ❑ Coordination committees worked with local stakeholders
- ❑ Created Committee for Monitoring and Transparency in Health
 - Advocates for community groups
 - Oversees action plan implementation

Peru Adaptation

- ❑ In 2006, FEPROMO received financial assistance to continue with activities.
- ❑ Quality of care committee as well as other community mobilization activities continues.

Anticipated Outcomes

- ❑ Increase in community awareness of dangers signs of bleeding in early pregnancy
- ❑ Strengthened organization of community resources and members in mobilizing to assist women in need of PAC services



Unanticipated Outcomes

- ❑ Strengthened community's participation in civil society through collaboration with local authorities
- ❑ Individual empowerment of community members who did not realize their ability and talent to lead

Future PAC Programming in Peru

- ❑ Must utilize all available resources to design program
- ❑ Identify communities that are good candidates for intervention
- ❑ Collaborations with existing organizations build trust, allowing participants to be more open and accepting of intervention



Conclusions

- ❑ Community PAC model is adaptable at different levels and settings and in a variety of socio-cultural contexts
- ❑ Important to create a strong cohesive community as the driving force for change
- ❑ Community PAC model encourages use of local resources and demonstrates potential for sustainability