



Senior academic staff of paediatrics departments of medical schools from countries in the Region together with national IMCI coordinators from ministries of health and WHO staff met in Tehran to review a set of draft materials developed by the Regional Office to guide the introduction of IMCI into the teaching programmes of medical schools. The development of this package, which should become available early in 2009, had been strongly recommended by academic staff and child public health managers in the Second Regional Consultation on IMCI Pre-service Education, held in Cairo in August 2006. The draft package currently includes a facilitator guide to conduct in-depth orientation and planning workshops for teaching institutions, teaching sessions with student learning objectives, content and procedures, a guide on evaluation, a multiple-choice questions bank and electronic tools to support teaching and student learning. It is expected to assist interested teaching institutions to standardize teaching methodology and evaluate it.

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