The Child and Adolescent Health and Development programme (CAH) of the Regional Office has been closely collaborating with the majority of teaching institutions in the Region which have introduced IMCI elements into their teaching programmes, the respective ministries of health and interested partners.

Regional Office CAH staff have participated jointly with ministries of health and medical schools in orientation meetings, meetings of national IMCI pre-service training task forces, planning workshops, follow-up visits and evaluations.

Staff from academic institutions already involved in IMCI pre-service training have collaborated in activities related to the same initiative in other countries.

Visits to other schools have been organized in selected cases to enhance experience sharing.

Regional milestones

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Evaluations of IMCI pre-service education at individual universities

Regional milestones

A Regional consultation on IMCI pre-service training was held in 2002 to review the experience in the Region.

A task force was set up in 2005 to develop a set of tools to evaluate the IMCI pre-service training experience in schools in the Region.

A second Regional consultation on IMCI pre-service training was held in 2006, to review progress in the region, revise the regional strategy and present the main findings of the field-tests of the IMCI pre-service training evaluation instrument.

A Meeting of experts on an IMCI pre-service education package was then held in 2008, to review a set of materials developed by the Regional Office to guide the introduction of IMCI into the teaching programmes of medical schools.

An Intercountry Training on the Evaluation of IMCI Pre-service Education was carried out in Mansoura, Egypt, from 5 to 7 June 2009, to start building capacity in the Region for evaluation of teaching programmes of paediatric departments in which IMCI had been introduced, based on the evaluation guide developed by the Regional Office.

A comprehensive <u>IMCI pre-service education package</u> was published by the Regional office in 2010, completing work that had originally started with the evaluation guide. Developed in close collaboration with medical schools, the package is meant to assist teaching institutions in introducing, implementing and assessing undergraduate teaching programmes that include the IMCI approach.

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List of regional activities

Additional information on individual regional activities or country activities supported by the Regional office and related to IMCI pre-service training is accessible clicking on the hyperlinks below. The activities are listed in reversed chronological order, starting with the ones held more recently.

Evaluation of IMCI pre-service education at Liaquat University of Medical and Health Sciences, Jamshoro, Pakistan

17 - 20 October 2011

Evaluation of IMCI paediatric teaching at the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Gezira,

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Evaluation of IMCI Pre-service Education at Mansoura University, Faculty of Medicine, Department of Paediatrics, Mansoura, Egypt

8 – 11 June 2009

Intercountry Training on the Evaluation of IMCI Pre-service Education Mansoura, Egypt 5 – 7 June 2009

Meeting of experts on standardized IMCI pre-service education package

Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran 26 July - 1 August 2008

Regional workshop for university staff to promote good breastfeeding practices as part of the IMCI community component

Rabat, Morocco 8 - 9 July 2007

Second regional consultation on IMCI pre-service training

Cairo, Egypt, 27 - 31 August 2006

Technical committee on the IMCI pre-service evaluation tool 2005

Regional consultation on strengthening the outpatient teaching in paediatrics and community medicine in medical schools using the IMCI approach (IMCI pre-service education) in 7 "IMCI Member States" in the Eastern Mediterranean Region

Cairo, Egypt, 2 - 5 September 2002

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Evaluations of IMCI pre-service education at individual universities

Regional Office CAH staff have provided technical support to external evaluations of IMCI pre-service education in the following universities:

1. Alexandria University, Alexandria, Egypt

2 to 5 July 2006

2. Khartoum University, Khartoum, Sudan August 2006

3. Mansoura University, Mansoura, Egypt 8 to 11 June 2009

4. Gezira University, Gezira, Sudan

7 to 10 December 2009

- 5. <u>Liaquat University of Medical and Health Sciences, Jamshoro, Pakistan</u> 17 to 20 October 2011
- International University of Africa, Khartoum, Sudan
 to 16 May 2012

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