

Teaching Materials and Services

Orientation in Leprosy for Doctors; New Delhi, India

Once again, we draw attention to this excellent booklet from India, 28 pages and about quarto size, written by Dr and Mrs Thangaraj, with Dr K C Das, A D G Leprosy, Assistant Director of Health Services, Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi 110011. The aim is 'To give a short orientation in leprosy to all medical doctors and to ensure their involvement in the National Leprosy Eradication Programme'. The main clinical findings are described, followed by differential diagnosis, reactions, and care of the feet, hands and eyes. Both the WHO and Government of India regimens for multiple drug therapy are described. The booklet is well illustrated in colour throughout. It is succinct, easily read and should surely be of great value for the better orientation of doctors (and medical students) in a country where the leprosy problem is so formidable. Published by HKNS, 1 Red Cross Road, New Delhi 110001, India.

Leprosy of the Eye by Van Joffrion and Margaret Brand

This general outline, originally published in *Leprosy Review* (1984), **55**, is still available from the Gillis W Long National Hansen's Diseases Center, Carville, LA, 70721, USA, but it is also now in French, mainly for distribution in Africa. Apply to the Director of Education and Training at the above address.

Primary Eye Care; TALC teaching aids, London

Yet another text with a colour transparency teaching set has been produced by Teaching Aids at Low Cost (TALC), PO Box 49, St Albans, Herts AL1 4AX, England. 'Primary Eye Care' has the usual 24 colour slides, with detailed text and questions. There is also a valuable glossary of ophthalmological terms. This material has been produced by Victoria Sheffield, Program Officer, Helen Keller International Incorporated, New York, with Dr Felicity Savage of the Institute of Child Health in London, in association with the International Eye Foundation. In line with previous sets, this one is sold at the remarkably low price of £2.50 for self-mounting sets, or £3.60 mounted. Further enquiries to Mrs B Harvey at the above address.

OXFAM—LEPRA: Packs of Teaching–Learning Materials for Leprosy; 1982–86

In early 1982, following a discussion between representatives of OXFAM and LEPRA (British Leprosy Relief Association) in Oxford, it was decided to assemble a pack of English-language teaching–learning materials for leprosy, mainly as a service of information, but also for nursing and paramedical tutors, doctors and other senior staff with responsibility for teaching.

In the first instance, 25 packs were made up. A few were donated to key institutions and international agencies, but the majority were sold at about £15.00 per pack plus the cost of postage. However, there was an unexpected and continuing demand. During the two years 1982 and 1983, 200 were assembled and sold to individuals, training centres, control programmes and institutions in virtually all the leprosy-endemic areas. In late 1983/early 1984, it was decided to phase out the 20-document pack, largely because of its considerable weight and cost of postage, but also because more appropriate documents had become available. The smaller pack of 10 documents costs £10.00 and contains the following: 1, Chemotherapy of Leprosy for Control Programmes (1983) Technical Report Series 675. 1211 Geneva 27, Switzerland; 2, Questions and Answers on the Implementation of Multiple Drug Therapy (MDT) for Leprosy (1984) The Health Unit, OXFAM, 274 Banbury Road, Oxford OX2 7DZ, UK; 3, Leprosy (1979) by Bryceson and Pfalzgraff, published by Churchill Livingstone, Edinburgh, UK; 4, The Diagnosis and Management of Early Leprosy (1983) by Browne, published in the Leprosy Mission International, London, UK; 5, Better Care in Leprosy (1978) published by the Voluntary Health Association of India, New Delhi, India; 6, Insensitive Feet (1981) by Paul Brand published in the Leprosy Mission International, London, UK; 7, Technical Guide for Smear Examination for Leprosy by Direct Microscopy (1983) by Leiker and McDougall, published by Leprosy Documentation Service (INFOLEP), Amsterdam, Netherlands; 8, Atlas of Leprosy (1983) Published by the Sasakawa Memorial Health Foundation, Tokyo, Japan.

A few advance copies were distributed in 1983; 132 in 1984; 200 in 1985 and 207 in 1986. In the period 1982–86, over 10,000 documents have been distributed from the OXFAM Health Unit in Oxford. Despite limited publicity and advertising, there is clearly a continuing demand from many parts of the world and it is intended to continue the service more or less indefinitely. (Orders to: Health Unit, OXFAM, 274 Banbury Road, Oxford OX2 7DZ, England.)

KLEP: Karigiri Leprosy Education Programme, South India

Three booklets have recently been produced by KLEP in South India: 'Diagnosis and clinical manifestations of leprosy'; 'Differential diagnosis of leprosy'; and 'Case taking in leprosy'. These are each about 20 pages in length, paperbound, inexpensive in format but very clearly printed, and well illustrated with colour pictures and diagrams. They have presumably been written and planned for work in South India, but they could be of value, not only in other parts of South East Asia, but in other leprosy-endemic countries. Schieffelin Leprosy Research and Training Centre, Karigiri 632 106, South India.

Medical Education Newsletter Number 35, Dundee, Scotland, UK

We are grateful to the Centre for Medical Education, The University, Dundee, DD1 4HN, Scotland, UK for continued deliveries of this Newsletter on such a wide range of topics. Number 35 includes information on: academic links with China; computers as teaching tools; article and book reviews; distance learning; courses for doctors and paramedics; and, tips for teachers. This Centre also runs numerous courses on teaching, learning, syllabus design, etc—many of which are relevant to third world situations.

Self-instructional packages; SIP

The latest Newsletter (July–September 1986) from the School of Medical Education, The University of New South Wales, has an article with this title by May Wong, Lecturer, Department of Biological Sciences, Cumberland College of Health Sciences, Sydney, Australia. The subject headings include: A definition of SIP; How can the SIP be used?; What are its advantages?; What are the difficulties and disadvantages?; A list of media which can be included in the SIP; What key factors should be considered when preparing the package?; and, How can SIP be evaluated?. There is a short but useful reference list.

Community-based rehabilitation in developing countries: a diploma in London

The Tropical Health Unit, Institute of Child Health, University of London, 30 Guildford Street, London WC1N 1EH, has sent details of their course leading to a diploma for teachers and Planners of Community based rehabilitation in developing countries. A booklet covers the aims of this course; the work of the unit; duration of the course and eligibility; and, teaching methods and course content. Apply to the Course Principal at the above address.

Health Education in leprosy; a flip-book; HKNS, India

We are indebted to Mrs E S Thangaraj, Medical Coordinator, The Leprosy Mission, Southern Asia, CN1 Bhavan, 16 Pandit Pant Marg, New Delhi 110001, for sending a copy of this interesting flip-book, which is in A4 size, has colour, and text. There are 18 pictures or themes, intended mainly to identify false beliefs and wrong ideas; give correct information; and, change attitudes and behaviour. There are instructions on the first page for its proper use and each picture is accompanied by a brief, clear statement of the most important points to be considered. The pictures are bright, positive and encouraging. This is the first flip-book of its kind we have seen for some years and we wish it all success in the important realm of health education in leprosy.

IILEP Catalogue on Training, 1987

We are grateful to the General Secretary of IILEP in London for permission to publish the following list. Address all enquiries to the 'contact' of the relevant centre.

ALERT: (All Africa Leprosy and Rehabilitation Training Centre) (WHO Collaborating Centre for Training in Leprosy), PO Box 165, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

Contact, Director of Training. Telephone, 201200-201201-201524. Telegrams/Telex, ALERT ADDISABABA/21312 GLRA ET. Nearest Airport, Addis Ababa. Accommodation, Hostel: maximum 28 people. (Cost: US\$ 10 per day). Language, English. Recognition of courses, by WHO and Government.

BAMAKO: Institut Marchoux, BP 251, Djikoronni, Bamako, Mali.

Telephone, 22.51.31. Contact, Dr M Nebout, Directeur, Dr B Grossetête, Chef Unité Enseignement. Aeroport, Bamako. Logement, Internat. Bourses d'Etudes, Octroyées soit par les gouvernements des élèves, soit par les différents organismes comme l'OMS et les Associations-membres de l'IILEP, dont l'Association Française Raoul Follereau. Les demandes de bourse auprès de ces organismes doivent être présentées au Secrétaire général

de l'OCCGE (Organisation de Coordination et de Coopération pour la lutte contre les Grandes Endémies, B.P. 153, Bobo-Dioulasso, Haute-Volta). Langue, Français.

BAURU: Hôpital Lauro de Souza Lima, Rodovia Cte. Joao Ribeiro de Barros, Km 115, Caixa Postal 62, CEP 17.100, Bauru, Sao Paulo, Brésil.

Telephone (0142) 23.59.22. Contact, Dr Diltor V A Opromolla. Langue, Portugais.

CARACAS: Instituto de Biomedicina, Apartado Postal 4043, Caracas 1010A, Venezuela.

Contact, Dr Jacinto Convit, Director. Airport, Caracas. Langue, English. Recognition of courses, WHO, CEPIALET.

CARVILLE: Gillis W Long National Hansen's Disease Center, United States Public Health Service Hospital, Carville, LA 70721, USA.

Telephone (504) 642.77.71. Contact, H Austin Hayes, Director of Education and Training. Nearest airport, Ryan Airport, Baton Rouge, LA. Accommodation available. Langue, English. Recognition of courses, By Government, and American Medical Association.

CEBU: Leonard Wood Memorial Center for Leprosy Research, PO Box 727, Cebu, Philippines.

Telephone (32) 827.46. Telegrams, WOODMEM CEBU. Contact, Director. Nearest airport, Cebu. Langue, English. Recognition of courses, WHO, Government.

DAKAR: Institut de Léprologie Appliquée de Dakar (ILAD), BP 11023 CD Annexe, Dakar, Sénégal.

Telephone, 22.36.15. Contacts, Dr J Millan, Directeur ILAD and Dr J C Naudin, DAHW-SENEGAL. Aeroport, Dakar-Yoff. Logement, A l'ILAD: 8 chambres individuelles (pas de repas, mais facilités proches), En ville: logement en hôtel aux frais des intéressés.

Frais d'inscription, Seulement pour le certificat de Léprologie de l'Université de Dakar 50,000 francs CFA. Les autres cours et stages sont gratuits grâce au soutien financier de Amici di Raoul Follereau, et de l'Ordre de Malte. Bourses d'Etude, L'Institut ne prenant en charge ni le voyage ni les frais de séjour des stagiaires, ceux-ci peuvent solliciter des bourses d'étude auprès de leur gouvernement, de l'Ordre de Malte, de l'OMS ou d'une Association-membre de l'ILEP. Langue, Français. Reconnaissance des cours, Le Certificat de Léprologie est délivré par la faculté de Médecine de Dakar. Responsables, Directeur de l'ILAD, Responsable médical DAHW.

FONTILLES: Sanatorio de San Francisco de Borja, Fontilles (Alicante), Espagne.

Telephone (965) 58.33.50. Contact, Dr José Terencio de las Aguas, Médico Director. Aeroports, Valencia et Alicante. Logement, Disponible dans le centre. Langues, Espagnol et français. Reconnaissance des cours, Par la Direction Générale de la Santé, par l'Ecole Professionnelle de Dermatologie, et par l'Ordre de Malte. Bourses d'Etude, Octroyées par l'Ordre de Malte.

KARIGIRI: Schieffelin Leprosy Research and Training Centre, Karigiri, SLR Sanatorium PO, PIN 632 106, North Arcot District, South India.

Telephone, Vellore 21522 with extension to Director/Deputy Director in Administration, Deputy Director of Training—SAX Karigiri No. 25, Training Unit—SAX Karigiri No. 37. Telegram, LEPSEARCH VELLORE 7. Contact, Training Officer. Nearest airport, Madras. Nearest rail station, Katpadi. Accommodation, Guest House: 30 persons (limited single rooms sometimes available). Hostel: Men—60 persons. Women—16 persons. Langue, English. Recognition of courses, In-service training courses in reconstructive surgery, pathology, leprosy control, medical aspects, are recognized by WHO and Indian Government. All paramedical and technical courses are fully recognized by Indian Government.

MEXICO: Centro Dermatologico Pascua, Dr Vertiz, 464 Esq Av Central, Delegacion Cuauhtémac, CP 06780, México DF, México.

Telephone: 538-70-33 ou 519-63-51. Contact, Dra Obdulia Rodriguez, Directora. Aeroport, México. Logement, Hôtels. Langue: Espagnol.

YAOUNDE: Centre d'Enseignement et de Documentation de l'OCEAC (Organisation de Coordination pour la lutte contre les Endémies en Afrique Centrale), BP 288, Yaoundé, Cameroun.

Telephone, 23.22.32 (Secrétaire général), 23.00.61 (Centre d'Enseignement et de Documentation). Contact, Dr D Kouka Bemba, Secrétaire général, Dr L Sentilhes, Secrétaire général honoraire, Dr R Jossieran, Chef du Centre d'Enseignement et de Documentation, Dr P Ambassa (Adjoint au Chef du Centre d'Enseignement). Aeroport, Yaoundé. Langue, Français.