

ILLUSTRATIONS IN HEALTH EDUCATION

Sir,

I would like to add the following to the special article by A C McDougall and G D Georgiev entitled, 'Educational material for the patient with leprosy' (*Lepr Rev*, 1989; **60**: 221-8).

It correctly underlined the importance of the local development of educational material for health education purposes. Our experience in Karigiri shows that misinterpretation of illustrations, particularly if they are proxy cartoons, is common among semi-literate patients and the public who are the main target. In such situations, we suggest the use of only straightforward cartoons. One such cartoon in the South Indian context and Tamil cultural milieu is given below:

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GOOD NEWS!



“There is a new treatment for leprosy.
It takes less time!”

“Is it so ?!”