The GoVERN research programme

0910-0920:	District health boards in Zambia *Mubiana Macwan'gi*
0920-0940:	Impact of health centre committees in Zimbabwe *Rene Loewenson TARSC, Itai Rusike, CWGH*
0940-0950:	Mechanisms for integrating community preferences in health planning *Godfrey Mubyazi*
0950-1000	Discussion (including on the CHESSORE experience presented in plenary)
1000-1010	Fighting symbolic and political exclusion of youth: implications for participatory HIV/AIDS management *Yugi Nair*
1010-1030	Conference Resolutions and general follow up actions

PW8:	**Parallel Workshop 8: Civil society alliances for equity in health** ***EQUINET, PHM*** (Bahama 2)

AIMS of the workshop:

- To report on and consolidate the civil society positions and action agendas to strengthen health civil society roles and campaigns for health equity and social justice.
- To develop a framework of perspective and analysis within which evidence can be collected ands gathered and debate held at country and grassroots level for input to the health civil society alliances and for presentation at the regional meeting of health civil society in November 2004
- To identify for the EQUINET conference key resolutions, areas of action and follow up work to be taken forward as defined by health civil society for the wider constituencies involved in health equity and social justice.

PROGRAMME:	*Chair: Rene Loewenson EQUINET, Dave Saunders PHM*
0830-0840:	Introduction: *Rene Loewenson EQUINET*
0840-0850:	Overview of peoples health issues and perspectives in the region and of the Global Health Watch *David Sanders PHM*
0850-0900:	Economic Justice and health *Riaz Tayob SEATINI*
0900-0910:	Rights to essential services *Soraya Elloker SAMWU, Dave Hemson MSP*
0910-0920:	Discussion Broad demands and issues
0920-0930:	Rights to health and to a people centred health system *Caroline Mubaira CWGH*
0930-0940:	Treatment access and rights of PLHA *Njogu Morgan TAC*
0940-0950:	Discussion Health system demands and issues
0950-1010	Discussion Key issues, positions and demands for a health civil society movement on health equity and social justice
1010-1030	Conference Resolutions and follow up actions generally, and for the EQUINET/PHM alliance.

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Conference Programme

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PROGRAMME

Monday 7 June 2004

1700-1900 Hotel Foyer	Registration

Tuesday 8 June 2004

0800-0830 Hotel Foyer	Registration

0830-1000
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Coral 1&2
	Opening Plenary: Reclaiming the state:
	Advancing peoples health, challenging injustice
	Chair: B Kistnasamy, Nelson Mandela Medical School; F Manji Fahamu
	Key note paper:
	    A Olukoshi Exec director CODESRIA
	EQUINET steering committee paper:
	    R Loewenson EQUINET/TARSC
	Discussion

1000-1030 Hotel Foyer	Tea, coffee

1030-1230
P1
Coral 1&2
	Plenary 1: Advancing peoples health
	Chair: M Samb, IDRC; L Gilson, CHP
	Health rights as a tool for health equity:
	    L London UCT, EQUINET theme co-ordinator
	Food security and nutrition
	    M Chopra, D Sanders UWC
	    E Malekia, SADC / M Materu COUNSENUTH
	Challenges of HIV/AIDS and health systems responses
	    D McCoy EQUINET/HST
	    O Kabale DRC PATAM
	Discussion

1230-1330 7 Palms Restaurant	Lunch, poster viewing

1330-1530 **PW1-4**	**Parallel workshops**			
	1: Health rights as a tool for health equity *L London* Coral 1	**2**: Health systems approaches to HIV/AIDS *D McCoy* Bahama 1	**3**: Parliamentary Alliances for equity in health *A Muula, L Bambas* Panorama 1	**4**: Using ICT as a tool for Equity and social justice *F Manji, T Kureya* Bahama 2

1530-1545 Foyers outside rooms	Tea/coffeee

1545-1730
P2
Coral 1&2
	Plenary 2: Reclaiming the state
	Chair: E Malekia, SADC; A Muula, MHEN
	Parliamentary Alliances for health equity
	    S Sikota Parliament of Zambia
	Fair financing in health systems
	    D McIntyre UCT HEU; L Gilson, CHP EQUINET theme co-ordinator
	Confronting challenges in health personnel
	    A Ntuli HST EQUINET theme co-ordinator
	Governance, equity and health
	    TJ Ngulube CHESSORE, EQUINET GoVERN theme co-ordinator
	Discussion

PW6:   Parallel Workshop 6: Fair financing in health systems
D McIntyre UCT HEU and L Gilson CHP (Bahama 1)

AIMS of the workshop:
- To draw conclusions for SADC countries about key issues to consider in pursuing the fair financing of health systems.
- To build on the plenary paper on fair financing, by encouraging discussion of specific country experiences as well as more detailed discussion of the plenary paper's conclusions.
- To discuss financing mechanisms, public sector resource allocation inequities, and equity concerns associated with the public/private mix in health care.
- To identify for the EQUINET conference key resolutions, areas of action and follow up work to be taken forward on community voice and agency in health systems

PROGRAMME: *Chair: Di McIntyre UCT, EQUINET Resource allocation theme co-ordinator*

0830-0840:   Introduction: Chair
The workshop will be structured around a set of key questions. Each accepted abstract for this session will be presented as a poster, with presenters given time to make inputs on these questions, where relevant, on the basis of their poster. Wider discussion among participants will then draw in broader sets of experiences.

    Poster Presentations:
- Poverty and health re-examined: Evidence and Policy lessons from Burkina Faso
Slim Haddad, Adrien Nougtara, Jacques Ouédraogo, Salimata Ky-Ouedraogo
- Equity and the Community Health Fund in Tanzania
Peter Kamuzora
- Fair financing in health systems
Angelo Stefanini
- Achieving equity in district resource allocation: The case of decentralized districts in Tanzania
Innocent Semali and Gradeline Minja
- Equitable allocation of health care resources in Namibia
William Kapenambili
- Public Private Interactions in the South African health sector
Haroon Wadee
- Discourses on Public Private interactions in South Africa
Ermin Erasmus
- Altruistic willingness to pay
Benjamin Uzochukwu

1015-1030   Conference Resolutions and follow up actions

PW7:   Parallel Workshop 7: Community voice and agency in health systems
TJ Ngulube CHESSORE (Panorama 1)

AIMS of the workshop:
- To review the evidence and analysis from research work on and experience in community voice and agency in health systems in the SADC sub-region,
- To develop a framework of perspective and analysis, identify key areas of follow up work and further research to enhance community voice and agency at grassroots, national and regional level
- To identify for the EQUINET conference key resolutions, areas of action and follow up work to be taken forward on community voice and agency in health systems

PROGRAMME: *Chair: T J Ngulube, CHESSORE, EQUINET theme co-ordinator, Goverance and Health*

0830-0840:   Introduction: Chair

    General issues of community participation and health
0840-0850:   The role of civil society in improving health care
    Ian Couper
0850-0900:   Empowering communities for effective participation in health care delivery as a right
    Sofo Ali Akpajaik
0900-0910   Discussion

WORKSHOP PROGRAMMES

Tuesday 8 June 2004 1330-1530

PW1:   **Parallel Workshop 1: Health rights as a tool for health equity**
L London UCT (Coral 1)

AIMS of the workshop:

This workshop aims to tease out in detail what kinds of rights approaches strengthen health equity and why. We will start with three poster presentations to explore different general approaches to rights – the legal framework of international human rights law, the role of community participation and its relationship to rights approaches, and the place of culture and the rights of indigenous peoples to intellectual property. These presentations will seek to respond to questions raised through Equinet's work on the relationship between health equity and human rights, thereby providing some depth to the issues raised in plenary. The workshop will identify for the EQUINET conference key resolutions, areas of action and follow up work to be taken forward on community voice and agency in health systems

PROGRAMME:	*Chair: Leslie London UCT, Health rights theme co-ordinator*
1330-1340	Recap of Issues from Plenary
1340-1440	**Case Studies:**
[10 minutes presentation; 10 minutes clarification, discussion]

- Adopting the rights based approach (RBA) to achieve equity in health (Malawi): *Davie Francy. Kalomba, Care Malawi*
- Human Rights Perspectives on the Accessibility of Maternity Services in the Northern Suburbs of Cape Town, South Africa, *Nomafrench Mbombo, University of the Western Cape.*
- Accessing health rights - SA Health Equity Gauge: *Thulasizwe Shezi, HST*

1440-1510	**Group Discussions on Case Studies:**

- what is the implicit or explicit definition of a rights approach adopted by the presenters?
- how do the cases define equity?
- is agency of vulnerable groups a focus?

1510-1530	Feedback and Discussion
Conference resolutions and follow up actions
1530	Close

PW2:   **Parallel Workshop 2:**
Health Systems Approaches to HIV/AIDS and treatment access
D McCoy and R Loewenson, TARSC/EQUINET (Bahama 1)

AIMS of the workshop:

- To present and review evidence on health systems and equity issues towards building a health systems approach to treatment access
- To identify for the EQUINET conference key resolutions, areas of action and follow up work to be taken forward on community voice and agency in health systems

PROGRAMME:	*Chair: David McCoy, HST/EQUINET, Theme work on HIV/AIDS*
1330-1340	Introduction and overview:
David McCoy
	The wider context of HIV/AIDS and treatment access
1340-1350	HIV, Food Security and Health in developing countries
Elizabeth Schroeder
1350-1355	Poster comment, South African AIDS epidemic and policy responses in a context of inequality
Helen Schneider;
1355-1420	Discussion
1420-14:30	Proposal of key recommendations related to the wider context of HIV/AIDS and treatment access - resolutions, actions and EQUINET work

Health Systems issues and responses

1430-1440	The Malawi experience
Julia Kemp
1440-1450	Scaling up ARV's - The Rural challenge
Ian Couper
1450-1500	Access to Health Care in Burundi
Mit Phillips
1500-1510	Discussion and comment from other EQUINET country Studies
1510-1520	Proposal of key recommendations for a health systems response - resolutions, actions and EQUINET work
1520-1525	Poster commentary:
Drug Therapy & psychosocial support enhances prolonged life among HIV+ children
Mayanja Lubwama Wilberforce
1525-1530	Closure and way forward for finalisation of recommendations
Conference Resolutions and follow up actions

PW3:   **Parallel Workshop 3: Parliamentary alliances for equity in health**
A Muula, MHEN and L Bambas, GEGA (Panorama 1)

AIMS of the workshop:

1. To review and discuss experience of how Parliaments can promote equity in health through their oversight, legislative, budget and representative roles
2. To identify ways in which equity oriented health professionals and civil society can support the role of parliaments in health equity
3. To identify for the EQUINET conference key resolutions, areas of action and follow up work to be taken forward on parliamentary alliances for health equity

PROGRAMME:	*Chair: Adamson Muula, MHEN, EQUINET process co-ordinator, parlamentary alliances*
1330-1340	Introduction and overview : *Lexi Bambas GEGA*
	Experiences of parliamentary work on equity in health
1340-1355	From Zambia: *Sakwiba Sikota* Hon MP Zambia, Parliamentary committee on health
1355-1410	From Zimbabwe: *Aillet Mukono*, Clerk, *Blessing Chebundo,* Hon MP, Parliamentary committee on health Zimbabwe
1410-1440	Experiences from other countries in east and southern Africa
1440-1450	Discussion
	Key areas for future work
1450-1510	Summary of opportunities and potentials
TJ Ngulube CHESSORE, Riaz Tayob, SEATINI
1510-1530	Conference Resolutions and follow up actions generally, and for EQUINET and GEGA

PW4:   **Parallel Workshop 4: Using ICT's for social justice and health equity**
F Manji, P Burnett Fahamu and T Kureya SAfAIDS (Bahama 2)

AIMS of the workshop:

1. To examine the role of Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) in contributing to social justice and health equity.
2. To identify for the EQUINET conference key resolutions, areas of action and follow up work to be taken forward on parliamentary alliances for health equity

PROGRAMME:	*Chair: Firoze Manji, Fahamu, EQUINET process co-ordinator ICT*
1330-1340	Introductions
1340-1405	The use of ICT's as a tool at inter-governmental meetings
Riaz Tayob, SEATINI
	ICT's have played an important role in campaigns related to various international meetings. This presentation explores Seatini's experience in using ICT's to campaign for social change.
1405-1410	Group Discussion

1410-1435	How can ICT's be used for social justice and health? *Patrick Burnett, Firoze Manji, Fahamu*

This presentation will examine the context of ICT use by civil society and social justice organisations, including its potential, power and impact, using examples from Fahamu's work on Pambazuka News and Equinet News, two information dissemination newsletters run by Fahamu.

1435-1440	Group Discussion
1440-1505	Can Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) make a meaningful contribution towards health equity? *Tendayi Kureya, SAfAIDS*

A presentation on the equitable, ethical and effective dissemination of health information that will concentrate on the overall opportunities, challenges and way forward for e-health in southern Africa, drawing lessons from their deliberate ICT programme called Cyber-SAfAIDS.

1505-1510	Group Discussion
1510-1530	Conference Resolutions and follow up actions

Wednesday 9 June 2004 0830-1030

PW5: Parallel Workshop 5: Confronting challenges in Health personnel
A Ntuli (Coral 1)

AIMS of the workshop are to:
- Build and strengthen a shared understanding of the critical factors impacting on equitable national human resource policies and on international flows of health personnel
- Outline possible policy and practice interventions to mitigate the negative impact of these trends and enhance positive practice
- Identify for the EQUINET conference key resolutions, areas of action and follow up work to be taken forward on health personnel dimensions of health equity and social justice.

PROGRAMME: Chair: *Antoinette Ntuli, HST; EQUINET theme co-ordinator Human Resources for Health*

0830-0920:	**Developing an Ethical Human Resource Policy**
	• Where have all our health workers gone? *Scholastica lipinge*
	• Is Ethical Recruitment Possible? *Anthony Zwi*
	• Beyond Ethical Recruitment – Compensation and Partnership *Mike Rowson*
	Comment from poster presenters:
	• The problem of health human resources brain drain: where are the solutions? *Adamson Muula, F Maseko, P Msoma, Department of Community Health, University of Malawi College of Medicine*
0920 -1010:	**Developing an Equitable Human Resource Policy** Presentations:
	• Exploring the influence of workplace trust over health worker motivation in South Africa *Gugu Khumalo, Center for Health Policy, University of the Witwatersrand*
	• Why CSO's choose to remain in district hospitals in KwaZulu Natal, Eastern Cape and Limpopo Province *A Ross, S Reid, Nelson Mandela School Of Medicine, University Of Kwazulu-Natal*
	Comment from poster presenters:
	• Attitudes Of Medical Students Towards Rural Practice *N Dlamini. S Reid, Centre for Rural Health, University of Natal*
	• Advancing People's Health It Needs An Integration Of Research, Training And Service Delivery: The Case Of Eatonside, South Africa *Rajab Rutengwe, RM Vaal University of Technology*
	• The Impact Of Rural Allowances On Career Plans Of Health Professionals In South Africa – *Steve Reid, Centre for Rural Health, University of KwaZulu-Natal*
	• The involvement of private General practitioners(GPs) in primary health care clinics. *JohnTumbo, Madibeng Centre for Research*
1010-1030:	Conference Resolutions and follow up actions

1830-2000 Panorama	**Reception** Drama: iZingoma and Indlamu *MC: G Mwaluko, EQUINET Steering Committee* *Speakers: Hon Zweli Mkhize, MEC for Health, KwaZulu-Natal* *E Malekia/S Sianga, SADC* Student research grant award presentation: *C Zarowsky, IDRC*

Wednesday 9 June 2004

0800-0830	Poster viewing			
0830-1030 **PW5-8**	**Parallel workshops** **5:** Confronting challenges in Health personnel *A Ntuli* Coral 1	**6:** Fair financing in health systems D McIntyre, L Gilson, Bahama 1	**7:** Community voice and agency in health systems *TJ Ngulube* Panorama 1	**8:** Civil society alliances for equity in health *EQUINET/PHM* Bahama 2

1030-1100 Foyers outside rooms	Tea,coffee	
1100-1230 **P3** Coral 1&2	**Plenary 3: Challenging injustice** *Chair: B Chebundo, Parliament of Zimbabwe; D McIntyre, UCT* Globalisation, Trade and Health *R Tayob SEATINI EQUINET theme co-ordinator* Civil society struggles for health *M Masaiganah PHM/EQUINET* Using ICT for health equity: the EQUINET website *F Manji, Fahamu EQUINET process co-ordinator* Discussion	
1230-1330 7 Palms Restaurant	Lunch	
1330-1400	Poster viewing	Rapporteurs drafting session Bahama2
1400-1545 **P4** Coral 1&2	**Plenary 4: Organising for health equity and social justice** *Chair: A Zwi, UNSW/EQUINET; G Musuka, TARSC/EQUINET* Country reports *EQUINET country focal points and others* Discussion of conference resolutions: policies and actions *Representative of the drafting team* EQUINET as a vehicle for health equity and social justice *EQUINET SC and secretariat* Discussion	
1545-1600 Hotel Foyer	Tea,coffee	
1600-1645 **P5** Coral 1&2	**Plenary 5: Reclaiming the state:** **Advancing peoples health, challenging injustice** *Chair: D Mametja, HST; R Loewenson, TARSC/EQUINET* Adoption of conference resolutions *Representative of the conference* Closing paper *S Sianga, SADC*	