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Latest news from THET

UK Health Links Conference 2010

Shaping the Future: Growth, Impact and Innovation.

9.30-16.30 4th November 2010, East Midland Conference Centre, Nottingham.

A platform for learning from the experiences of practitioners, the UK Health Links Conference 2010 will explore good practice in Health Link partnership development, examine the innovative ways in which Links are addressing the challenges in global health and look at the benefits of linking to UK health professionals. Download the **registration form** to sign up.

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IHLFS Selection Panel

The Selection Panel met on 23rd July to award the second round of IHLFS grants. As with the first round, the quality of applications was very high and we were pleased to be in a position to award 21 project grants. Details of grant recipients will be released on the THET website shortly.

Wales for Africa Press release

THET's CE, Pia MacRae, recently spoke at the **Wales for Africa** Annual Conference. Pia said about the conference "Welsh Health Links are always a source of inspiration. I'm particularly impressed at the breadth of some of the Links, as well as the support from the Welsh Assembly". For more information on the conference, read the Welsh Assembly **press release** or read Pia's **speech**.

International Forum at BAPS

The **British Association of Paediatric Surgeons** held its International Congress in Aberdeen at the end of July. The BAPS International Forum has a growing programme of scholarships for trainee surgeons to attend the Forum as well as a growing international network. THET presented on how to develop Links between the UK and developing countries. Marilyn Butler, Founder and Editor of the Global Paediatric Surgery Network, presented their very impressive **website**.

White Ribbon Alliance for Safe Motherhood

In July THET became a member of the **White Ribbon Alliance for Safe Motherhood (WRA)**, an international coalition of individuals and organisations formed to promote increased public awareness of the need to make pregnancy and childbirth safe for all women and newborns. The WRA runs seminars and working groups for its members; creates educational, communication and technical materials for use by its members and others; organises policy

efforts to increase funding and programmes for safe motherhood; and supports countries to create their own WRA.

THET – Events and activities



Congratulations to Team THET for running the British 10k and fundraising for global health! There is still time to support our runners **here**.

Latest news for Health Links.

Choice for women: wanted pregnancies, safe births

DFID launched an open consultation on reproductive, maternal and newborn health to inform future work in this area. They want to hear from all stakeholders, from mothers to midwives. Visit www.dfid.gov.uk/choiceforwomen and have your say.

Health Links – Events and activities

New Horizons: Exploring global health opportunities

10th December 2010 Horizon Centre, Torquay. The Centre for Innovation & Training in Elective Care and the Kenya Orthopaedic Project have organised a conference for health professionals wanting to volunteer overseas. Click **here** for more information or email **Nina Sampson**.

Global Voices for Maternal Health is a major new project from the University of Oxford that will bring maternal healthcare providers centre-stage in international efforts to reduce maternal deaths. If you provide care for pregnant women in Africa, Asia, Latin America or the Middle East, this is your opportunity to make your voice heard. Visit www.globalvoices.org.uk today to take part and help shape the future of maternal healthcare in your country and beyond.

Going Overseas Network Inaugural Meeting

17th September, Taunton. The meeting is aimed at bringing together UK health professionals planning make short trips to the developing world. For more information click **here**.

Resources for Links

Welsh Assembly Government's Health Promotion Library

The Health Promotion Library is the only national library in Wales where you can access information on public health and health promotion. For more information visit the **library website**.

THET staff recommend the following publications:

The Politics of Poverty: Elites, Citizens and States: Findings from ten years of DFID-funded

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research on Governance and Fragile States 2001-2010, DFID

Achieving Sustainable Health Development in the African Region: Strategic Directions for WHO, 2010 to 2015, WHO

Rethinking health assumptions, IRIN

Learning from Maternal and Child Health Successes in Africa, World Bank

July Bulletin of WHO

Vacancies

Fundraiser

THET is looking for a Fundraiser to manage and implement a multi-dimensional strategy for increasing the charity's unrestricted funds. This is a rare opportunity to build on and shape a varied and evolving fundraising function. The successful candidate will be an innovative, resourceful individual who can bring their own energy and vision to a developing set of activities. S/he will have the ability to maximise the potential of fundraising volunteers and to be an effective player in our small but busy team. For more information see

www.thet.org/jobs Closing Date for Applications: 5th August, 5pm

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