CALL FOR PAPERS

Sustainability: call for evidence on innovation and examples of good practice

‘Sustainability is the capacity of a programme to maintain quality and coverage of services at a level that will provide continuing control and further reduction of a health problem at a cost that is affordable to the programme and the community’ – Global Strategy (2006–2010). This is a major challenge for leprosy having changed from a well supported, high priority specialised programme to one that is now mainly integrated within general health and social services.

Contributions are invited on novel approaches and examples of good practice covering the whole spectrum of leprosy activities: advocacy, community awareness, diagnosis, treatment, surveillance, reporting and reporting, management of complications, surgical services, prevention of disability, rehabilitation, stigma reduction, education and training, human rights, equity and research through approaches such as co-operation, community participation, partnerships, joint working, and integration.

Contributions can be full length scientific papers, systemic reviews, commentaries or short communications (up to 1000 words, with no more than one table and up to 5 references).

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