Recent publications from ILEP

Learning Guide 1: How to Diagnose and Treat Leprosy
A new publication from ILEP recommended for all health workers who diagnose and treat leprosy. This well-illustrated booklet includes information on basic diagnosis including simple nerve examination, management of drug treatment and basic recognition of reactions.

Learning Guide 2: How to Recognize and Manage Leprosy Reactions
This is recommended for all health workers who manage the complications of leprosy. This second guide in the series contains practical advice on how to recognize leprosy reactions and how to give the correct treatment. It also includes advice on referral of reactions and specialist treatment. Available from August 2002.

Technical Bulletin: The Interpretation of Epidemiological Indicators in Leprosy
Monitoring progress is an essential component of any leprosy control programme and understanding the situation is a prerequisite for setting objectives and deciding on activities. The Bulletin, written in response to a request from ILEP Members, outlines general principles of interpreting epidemiological data including possible pitfalls. Current ILEP indicators for MDT and prevention of disabilities are reviewed, together with a number of other useful indicators. This publication is particularly suitable for programme managers and field staff. Available in English and in French. Portuguese and Spanish versions will be available by August 2002.

Guidelines for the Social and Economic Rehabilitation of People affected by Leprosy
Developed by the ILEP Medico-Social Commission as a valuable resource for people working in or planning to establish social and economic rehabilitation. Now available in English, French, Spanish and Portuguese.

Other publications recommended by ILEP

Common Skin Diseases in Africa
Authors: C van Hees, B Naafs
A pictorial handbook for diagnosis and treatment of skin disease including leprosy and Buruli ulcer. Most suitable for doctors and nurses who regularly treat skin diseases. (Limited copies are available on a discretionary basis.)
Leprosy in Africans in Portuguese

Author: Dr W K Jacyk

 Previously published in French and English, this popular and practical booklet suitable for health workers is now available with short notes in Portuguese and English.