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Dear friends,

The World Health Organization has provided us the preliminary version of the LAC NHA estimates which are included in the World Health Report 2002 <<http://www.who.int/whr/en/>>. Please see the final AMR <http://www.lachealthaccounts.org/files/1344_finalAMR.pdf> and the Glossary 2002 <http://www.lachealthaccounts.org/files/1342_Glossary2002.pdf>. We encourage you to review this data. If you have any comments, please send them to Patricia Hernández at the World Health Organization: hernandezp@who.int; nha@who.int

We recently received the final NHA report for Ecuador 1997 (this document is in Spanish), which is located in the Ecuador country profile <http://www.lachealthaccounts.org/files/1338_Text_Ecuador_NHA.pdf>. We appreciate being kept up-to-date with new NHA developments in Ecuador.

The LAC Health Accounts Web site has a new area on the economics of HIV/AIDS <<http://www.lachealthaccounts.org/en/keytopic.php?topic=1370>>. This issue of the Newsletter includes new links and material on this important topic. For more information, please refer to the IAEN website at <www.iaen.org>.

Thank you very much for your positive response to the site and the newsletter. We are growing quickly and you are helping us to make this site more valuable each day.

We wish you a very happy and peaceful holiday!

Best wishes,

Magdalena Rathe
Editor

****CALL FOR ASSISTANCE****

We need your input! We try to include bi-monthly updates from the LAC HA Steering Committee on each country page on the Web site, but we need more. If you work in a specific country, are participating in a project, or have resources or data to share about the status of health accounts in your country, we welcome your input. In fact, it is essential to us! We can assure you that this is going to be very helpful to other researchers and you can also promote your own work. Please submit whatever information on health accounts in your country of study that you have to us on our contribution page <<http://www.lachealthaccounts.org/en/feedback.php>> or email it to <<mailto:info@lachealthaccounts.org>>.

****ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS****

The Partners for Health Reform *plus* (PHR*plus*) Project <<http://www.phrproject.com>> and the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida) <<http://www.sida.se/Sida/jsp/Crosslink.jsp?d=107>> will hold the Third International National Health Accounts (NHA) Symposium in conjunction with the iHEA 4th World Congress <<http://www.healthconomics.org/conference.html>>. The NHA Symposium will be held June 13-14 in San Francisco. The NHA Symposium is a unique opportunity for policy-makers, country experts, and health economists to learn from each other about the benefits of NHA studies; NHA policy relevance; the challenges and solutions relating to data retrieval, estimation, and analysis;

as well as ways to institutionalize NHA. Many of these themes will be presented through country specific experiences, several of which will be from LAC countries. Additionally, time will be provided for regional network country representatives to meet and discuss the future direction of NHA in their region. For the LAC region, this will be an opportune time to continue progress with the LAC Health Accounts Initiative. For further information, and registration, please visit the NHA Symposium Web site <http://www.phrproject.com/globali/3rd_Sym.htm> and contact NHA Symposium Coordinator [Rafael Martinez@abtassoc.com](mailto:Rafael_Martinez@abtassoc.com). PHR*plus* is USAID's <<http://www.usaid.gov>> flagship project for health policy and health system strengthening in developing and transitional countries.

****NEW DOCUMENTS & RESOURCES AVAILABLE****

The following resources have recently been added to the LAC Health Accounts Web site:

Steven Forsythe, editor, **State of the Art: Aids and Economics**, HIV AIDS: The Policy Project. Special Series, Prepared in June 2002 for IAEN Barcelona Symposium. The following series of documents (in PDF) was written by a team of leading economists and social scientists in response to the question, "What is the state of the art in the field of AIDS and economics". This question was intentionally designed to provide authors with the ability to focus on the issues that they felt were most critical. As a result, each chapter represents a unique perspective on the question at hand. <<http://www.iaen.org/library/statepidemic/stateofepidemic.PDF>>

Isaksen, Gunnar, Spissoy, **Socio-economic impact of HIV AIDS in African countries** NORAD. This desk study was commissioned by NORAD to review recent literature on socio-economic consequences of the HIV/AIDS pandemic in sub-Saharan Africa with focus on Malawi, Mozambique, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia. The report gives a general socio-economic overview and identifies some issues of importance for Norway's assistance to the five focus countries. <http://www.iaen.org/files.cgi/7360_isaksen.pdf>

Come Niyongabo, **Impact of HIV AIDS in poor urban livelihoods**, Burundi, 2001. The aim of the study is to inform actual and potential interventions in the area of health, social protection, and food security on the problems faced by households affected by HIV- AIDS in Urban Context. <http://www.iaen.org/files.cgi/6940_niyongabo.pdf>

Sandra Freire, **Impact of HIV AIDS on saving behavior in South Africa**, France, 2001. This paper focuses on the uncertainty of life expectancy and is based on two frameworks: the Galí (1990) model and the Moresi (1999) model. <http://www.iaen.org/files.cgi/6960_freire.PDF>

Bloom et al, **Health, wealth, AIDS and poverty**, 2002. This paper explores the links between AIDS and poverty and the wider impact of health on a country's development, focusing particularly on Asia. It starts by looking at the overall importance of health to developing countries, assessing the ways in which changes in health can help or hinder development. Part 2 of the paper addresses the links between AIDS, one of the biggest health threats to the developing world, and poverty. <http://www.iaen.org/files.cgi/7053_Health_wealth_poverty.pdf>

Alan Whiteside, **The economics of HIV AIDS**, presentation in Barcelona's Symposium, 2002. This powerpoint presentation was shown at the introduction to the IAEN symposium at the XIV International AIDS Conference in Barcelona on July 6, 2002. <http://www.iaen.org/files.cgi/7366_Whiteside_Presentation.pdf>

Economic Evaluations of HIV AIDS interventions, Horizons: Research Update, Population Council. Economic evaluations of HIV/AIDS interventions provide important information on costs to help program managers budget more effectively. Estimating the cost of service delivery provides insights on how well resources are being managed and what can be done to improve efficiency. <http://www.popcouncil.org/pdfs/horizons/rs/re_cost.pdf>

World Bank, <<http://www.worldbank.org/>>

Population Council, <<http://www.popcouncil.org/>>

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NOTA DE LA EDITORA

Estimados amigos y amigas,

La Organización Mundial de la Salud (OMS) nos ha enviado una versión preliminar de sus estimados de CNS para Latinoamérica, las cuales serán incluidas en su próximo Informe sobre la Salud Mundial, 2002 <http://www.who.int/whr/2002/Overview_spain.pdf>. Ellos están interesados en que los países revisen y validen estas cifras, a fin de mejorar sus estadísticas. Estamos incluyendo en nuestra página un archivo llamado AMR

<http://www.lachealthaccounts.org/files/1344_finalAMR.pdf>, que incluye los datos y dos archivos explicativos, Glosario 2002,

<http://www.lachealthaccounts.org/files/1343_Glosario2002.pdf>. Por favor, revisen los datos y si necesitan cualquier información, o compartir ideas, pueden comunicarse directamente con Patricia Hernández, en la oficina de CNS de la OMS, hernandezp@who.int ; nha@who.int

En esta entrega estamos incluyendo el Informe de Cuentas Nacionales de Salud 1997, de Ecuador. Agradecemos que nos envíen este tipo de material, a fin de mantenernos al día en lo

que está realizando cada país.

<http://www.lachealthaccounts.org/files/1338_Text_Ecuador_NHA.pdf>

Como habrán podido ver, hemos dispuesto una nueva área de nuestra página para el tema de economía del VIH / SIDA. Hemos añadido nuevo material sobre el tema, considerado como una catástrofe mundial y uno de los principales obstáculos al desarrollo humano. Si necesita más información, puede dirigirse a la página web de International AIDS Economics Network, www.iaen.org.

Agradecemos realmente la respuesta positiva que hemos tenido de ustedes. Estamos creciendo a pasos acelerados y ustedes nos están ayudando a que este sitio sea cada vez más valioso.

Les deseamos unas felices fiestas y mucha paz!

Con los mejores deseos,

Magdalena Rathe
Editora

¡Necesitamos su colaboración! Trataremos de incluir cada dos meses, actualizaciones en la página de cada país, provenientes del Comité Interinstitucional de Cuentas Nacionales de Salud para ALC. Si usted trabaja en algún proyecto específico o tiene datos que informar sobre el estado de las cuentas de salud en su país, agradeceríamos mucho sus observaciones. De hecho, ¡consideramos que esto es esencial! Les aseguramos que esto será de mucha ayuda para otros investigadores como usted a la vez que puede promover su propio trabajo. Por favor, envíenos cualquier información sobre las cuentas de salud de su país a nuestra página de colaboración <<http://www.lachealthaccounts.org/es/feedback.php>>.

**** DISPONIBILIDAD DE NUEVOS DOCUMENTOS Y RECURSOS ****

Los siguientes documentos han sido agregados recientemente a la página Internet de Cuentas de Salud ALC:

Steven Forsythe, editor, **State of the Art: Aids and Economics**, HIV AIDS: The Policy Project. Special Series, Prepared in June 2002 for IAEN Barcelona Symposium.
<<http://www.iaen.org/library/statepidemic/stateofepidemic.PDF>>

Isaksen, Gunnar, Spisoy, **Socio-economic impact of HIV AIDS in African countries**, NORAD.
<http://www.iaen.org/files.cgi/7360_isaksen.pdf>

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Agradecemos su interés en el boletín de Cuentas de Salud ALC. Sus comentarios y sugerencias serán bienvenidos. Por favor circule este mensaje a otros profesionales interesados y anímelos para que se inscriban y puedan recibir su propia copia electrónica. La dirección es:

<<http://www.lachealthaccounts.org/es/newsletter.php>>.

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