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Rule 7 of the Rules for Technical Discussions specifies that
"The Technical Discussions shall deal with only one subject, which shall
be selected at the meeting of the Conference or the Directing Council pre-
ceding by two years that at which the Technical Discussions are to be held.

Accordingly, the Directing Council at its XXVIII Meeting shall select
the topic for the Technical Discussions to be held in 1983 during the XXIX
Meeting of the Directing Council of PAHO, XXV Meeting of the Regional Com-
mittee of WHO for the Americas.

Annexed are lists of the topics of the Technical Discussions of PAHO
since 1953 and WHO since 1951.

Annexes

TOPICS OF TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS

Pan American Health Organization

1953 - Directing Council

Nutrition Programs in Public Health Services

1954 - Pan American Sanitary Conference

1. Methods of Improving the Reliability of Raw Statistical Data Required for Health Programs
2. Control of Infant Diarrheas in the Light of Recent Scientific Progress
3. Application of Health Education Methods in Rural Areas in Latin America

1955 - Directing Council

1. Methods of Improving the Education of Public Health Personnel
2. Medical Care in Rural Areas

1956 - Directing Council

Methods for the Preparation of National Public Health Plans

1957 - Directing Council

Bases and Methods for the Evaluation of Health Programs

1958 - Pan American Sanitary Conference

The Prevention of Accidents in Childhood

1959 - Directing Council

Technical, Financial, and Administrative Aspects of Water Supply in the Urban Environment in the Americas

1960 - Directing Council

Technical, Administrative, Legal, and Financial Aspects of Garbage and Refuse Disposal

TOPICS OF TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS

Pan American Health Organization (cont.)

1961 - Directing Council

Methods of Evaluation of the Contribution of Health Programs
to Economic Development

1962 - Pan American Sanitary Conference

The Present Status of Medical Care in the Americas in Relation
to its Incorporation as a Basic Service in Integrated Health
Programs

1963 - Directing Council

Ideas for the Formulation of a Plan for the Control of Gastro-
intestinal Diseases, including Environmental Sanitation Measures,
Epidemiology, Health Education, and Early Diagnoses and Treatment

1964 - Directing Council

Tuberculosis Eradication: A Task for Present Planning and
Future Action

1965 - Directing Council

Methods of Improving Vital and Health Statistics

1966 - Pan American Sanitary Conference

Means for Promoting and Making Effective the Coordination
between the Services and Programs of Ministries of Health,
Social Security Institutes, and Other Institutions that
Conduct Activities Related to Health

1967 - Directing Council

Methods of Increasing Health Services Coverage in Rural Areas

1968 - Directing Council

Participation of the Health Sector in Population Policy

TOPICS OF TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS

Pan American Health Organization (cont.)

1969 - Directing Council

Financing of the Health Sector

1970 - Pan American Sanitary Conference

Venereal Diseases as a National and International
Health Problem

1971 - Directing Council

Environmental Pollution

1972 - (Postponed until 1973)

1973 - Directing Council

Community Health Services and Community Involvement

1974 - Pan American Sanitary Conference

Studies and Strategies to Reduce Morbidity and
Mortality from Enteric Diseases

1975 - Directing Council

Methodologies for the Formulation of National Food
and Nutrition Policies and Their Intersectoral
Implementation

1976 - Directing Council

Development of the Health Service Infrastructure
with Due Regard to the Need for Extension of
Coverage

1977 - Directing Council

Coordination between Social Security Systems and
Public Health

TOPICS OF TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS

Pan American Health Organization (cont.)

1978 - Pan American Sanitary Conference

The Impact of Drugs on Health Costs: National
and International Problems

1979 - Directing Council

Strategies for Extending and Improving Potable
Water Supply and Excretal Disposal Services
during the Decade of the 80's

1980 - Directing Council

Community Health Education: Evaluation of Present
Programs, New Approaches, and Strategies

1981 - Directing Council

Sanitary Control of Food

1982 - Pan American Sanitary Conference

Managerial Analysis of Health Systems

TOPICS OF TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS

World Health Organization

- 1951 - The Education and Training of Medical and Public Health Personnel
- 1952 - a) The Economic Value of Preventive Medicine
b) The Methodology of Health Promotion of Local Areas
- 1953 - Methods of Applying Modern Health Techniques of a Preventive and Curative Nature to Give the Most Effective and Economical Results of a Long-term Program in Relation to the Following Communicable Diseases: a) Tuberculosis, b) Syphilis, c) Typhoid Group of Fevers
- 1954 - Public Health Problems in Rural Areas
- 1955 - Public Health Problems in Rural Areas
- 1956 - The Role of Nurses
- 1957 - The Role of the Hospital in the Public Health Program
- 1958 -
- 1959 - Health Education of the Public
- 1960 - The Role of Immunization in Communicable Diseases Control
- 1961 - Recent Advances in Tuberculosis Control
- 1962 - Mental Health Programs in Public Health Planning
- 1963 - Education and Training of the Physician for the Preventive and Social Aspects of Clinical Practice
- 1964 - The Influence of Community Water Supply Programs on Health and Social Progress
- 1965 - Health Planning
- 1966 - The Collection and Use of Health Statistics in National and Local Health Services
- 1967 - The Challenge to Public Health of Urbanization
- 1968 - National and Global Surveillance of Communicable Diseases

TOPICS OF TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS

World Health Organization (cont.)

- 1969 - The Application of Evolving Technology to Meet the Health Needs of People
- 1970 - Education for the Health Professionals - Regional Aspects Aspects of a Universal Problem
- 1971 - Mass Health Examinations as a Public Health Tool
- 1972 - The Contribution of Health Programmes to Socio-economic Development
- 1973 - Organization, Structure and Functioning of the Health Services and Modern Methods of Administrative Management
- 1974 - The Role of the Health Services in Preserving or Restoring the Full Effectiveness of the Human Environment in the Promotion of Health
- 1975 - Social and Health Aspects of Sexually Transmitted Diseases: Need for a Better Approach
- 1976 - Health Aspects of Human Settlements
- 1977 - The Importance of National and International Food and Nutritional Policies for Health Development
- 1978 - National Policies and Practices in Regard to Medicinal Products, and Related International Problems
- 1979 - Technical Cooperation in the Field of Health Among Developing Countries
- 1980 - The Contribution of Health to the New International Economic Order
- 1981 - Health System Support for Primary Health Care
- 1982 - Alcohol Consumption and Alcohol-related Problems
- 1983 - New Policies for Health Education in Primary Health Care

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The Working Group designated to propose to the Directing Council topics for the Technical Discussions in 1983 consisted of the Representatives of Brazil, Dominican Republic, and Haiti.

The Delegations of the countries participating in the XXVIII Meeting of the Directing Council were consulted in accordance with the Rules of Procedure.

Twenty countries proposed a variety of topics as the subject of the Technical Discussions in 1983. The Working Group has analyzed and tabulated the proposals and now presents for consideration by the Directing Council the following three topics of greatest interest to the countries here represented:

1. Mental Health and Primary Care
2. Occupational Health
3. Policies for the Production and Marketing of Essential Drugs.

The Group hopes hereby to have accomplished the purpose for which it was formed.