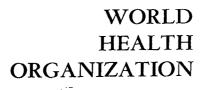


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EVALUATION OF THE STRATEGIES OF HEALTH FOR ALL BY THE YEAR 2000. SEVENTH REPORT ON THE WORLD HEALTH SITUATION

The document "Evaluating the Strategies for Health for All by the Year 2000. Common Framework and Format" (CFF) was approved by the Global Programme Committee (GPC) of the WHO Secretariat in February 1984 in response to the World Health Assembly mandate to monitor and evaluate the progress towards HFA/2000. The stated rationale for the document is to assist the Member Governments to review their commitment to HFA/2000 and determine what has been accomplished. The results of the evaluation will form the basis for the Seventh Report on the World Health Situation to be published in 1986 in the six WHO official languages.

Two activities are emphasized in the CFF. First, Member Governments are encouraged to compare their current efforts against the monitoring report completed last year. Second, Member Governments are encouraged to review their strategies to see where improvements can be made.

The CFF was to be completed by March 1985 at the country level. Furthermore, each WHO Region is to complete country summaries and a regional summary and forward them to WHO/Geneva by November 1985. The final report will contain a global synthesis (estimated at 150 pages), Regional syntheses (estimated at 35 pages per Region) and country summaries (estimated at an average of five pages per country).

Following the recommendations of the 92nd Meeting of the Executive Committee (1984) and the XXX Meeting of the Directing Council (1984), PAHO Headquarters staff completed part of the CFF for each Member Country and seven territories. These were sent to the PAHO Country Representatives to be completed in consultation with the appropriate national authorities and returned to PAHO Headquarters by 29 March 1985. To date we have received responses from 19 countries and 4 territories.

At the same time that the CFF's were being completed, PAHO Headquarters staff began to prepare country summaries based on the country narratives prepared in 1984. The plan was to create a summary that could be used for budget, evaluation and other reporting purposes. It was contemplated that the summaries could serve as a basis for the Seventh Report on the World Health Situation.

Based on the CFFs, the country narrative summaries and other information, PAHO Headquarters staff have prepared a summary for each country and a regional summary. When these summaries have been approved by the Directing Council they will be sent to Geneva for inclusion in the Seventh Report.

Under separate cover each Member Government has been sent a copy of the draft regional summary and the draft summary for its own country program. Comments were requested to be sent, by August 30, to the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau through the Country Representatives. Based on these comments, a revised regional summary will be distributed at the XXXI Meeting of the Directing Council for review before being finalized by PASB and sent to WHO/Geneva.