

**Reproductive Health Supplies Coalition (RHSC)
27–28 April, 2006
New York City, NY, USA**

SPRING MEETING AGENDA

Overall Meeting Objectives and Outcomes

Thematic Emphasis

2006 Directions:

- Substantive work of the Working Groups in moving the Coalition's agenda.
- Identifying and addressing cross-cutting themes.

Objectives and Outcomes

1. Shared understanding of the current RHSC work plan, challenges, and successes to date.
2. Finalize Working Group work plans, including identification of necessary resources.
3. Increase coordination and collaboration among working groups on cross-cutting issues.
4. Identify the Coalition's priorities and outcomes for 2006.

THURSDAY, April 27, 2006

9:00am–10:00am

Welcome and Introductions

Introduction of Co-Chairs Elect
Elisabeth Lule, outgoing Chair

Self-introductions of RHSC Members
Margret Verwijk and Wolfgang Bichmann, Co-Chairs

Welcome from UNFPA
Thoraya Obaid, UNFPA

Update on Secretariat and Introduction of new RHSC Director
Fall RHSC Meeting Dates
Margret Verwijk and Wolfgang Bichmann, Co-Chairs
John Skibiak, RHSC Director

10:00am–10:45am **Update on System Strengthening Working Group Financing Study**
Blair Sachs, Gates Foundation and Wolfgang Bichmann, KfW Development Bank

Outcomes:

- Membership updated on approach and progress.
 - Member feedback provided.
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10:45am–11:00am **Break**

11:00am–12:30pm **Update on UNFPA Global Programme to Enhance RHSC 2006–2010**

Jagdish Upadhyay and Benedict Light, UNFPA

Update on UNFPA Thematic Trust Fund

Kechi Ogbuagu, UNFPA

Outcomes:

- Members updated on the status of the Global Programme and the Thematic Trust Fund.
- Specific 2006 plans identified for linkages among the Global Programme and RHSC Working Groups.

Discussion Format

Five groups of ten people will be formed to examine:

- Actions to strengthen complementarity.
 - Identification of synergistic activities.
 - Recommended actions for Working Groups or the Coalition to (name 1 to 3 actions per group, 5 minutes per group to report back).
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12:30pm–1:30pm **Lunch**

1:30pm–2:45pm

Concurrent Working Group Breakout Meetings

Working Group Leaders, Facilitators

Outcomes:

Breakout meetings will provide the Working Groups the opportunity to further develop and refine their work plans; assess crosscutting themes from the morning session; and discuss how they may address identified needs, identify opportunities for collaboration, determine actions required by the other Working Groups to overcome potential work plan implementation obstacles, and identify next steps.

2:45pm–3:00pm

Break

3:00pm–5:00pm

Linking RH Supplies and HIV/AIDS: Taking a New Look at Condoms

Co-Facilitators/Session Chairs: Terri Bartlett, PAI and Jagdish Upadhyay, UNFPA

3:00pm–4:00pm Introduction: *Terri Bartlett*
Panel presentation.

Panel participants:

John Stover, The Futures Group: Cost and needs projections

David Smith, UNFPA: Prequalification and supply
Patrick Friel, Consultant: New global initiatives

4:00pm–4:30pm: Breakout Groups

4:30pm–4:45pm: Report Back

4:45pm–5:00pm: Closing remarks: *Jagdish Upadhyay, UNFPA*

Outcomes:

- Increased understanding of issues related to condom commodities and supplies and the current global situation regarding condom availability and shortages/surpluses.
- Clarity on whether there are strategic linkages to be made between major HIV/AIDS groups such as UNAIDS and the Global Fund and the RHSC pertaining to condom supplies.
- Clarity on role of the RHSC: do current focus/activities address these issues? Should they in the near term? Longer term?

Discussion Format

Three small breakout groups discuss linkages, opportunities, and implications for the RHSC.

5:00pm–5:30pm **Wrap-Up**
Margret Verwijk and Wolfgang Bichmann, Co-Chairs

6:00pm–8:00pm **Reception Hosted by UNFPA at the Crowne Plaza UN Hotel**
(Cecil's Restaurant, Regency Lounge)

FRIDAY April 28, 2006

9:00am–9:20am **New RHSC Director**
John Skibiak, RHSC Director

Outcome: Members acquainted with the new director.

9:20am–10:00am **WHO Update on Prequalification and the Interagency List of Essential Medicines for RH**

Hans Hogerzeil and Sophie Logez, WHO Department of Medicines Policy and Standards

Outcomes:

- Discussion and comment by RHSC members on the provisional selection of priority RH items for the prequalification program to be used for WHO calls for Expression of Interest in prequalification.
- Consideration by RHSC members of commitment to advocacy around the essential RH medicines list and prequalification by WHO.
- Update on tools/guidelines (interagency list, joint PATH/WHO guidelines).

10:00am–12:30pm **Concurrent Working Group Breakout Meetings**
Working Group Leaders, Facilitators

Outcomes:

Working Groups further develop and refine their work plans; assess crosscutting themes from the previous day and morning session; and discuss how they may address identified needs, identify opportunities for collaboration, determine actions required by the other Working Groups to overcome potential work plan implementation obstacles, and identify next steps.

12:30pm–2:00pm **Lunch within Working Groups**

2:00pm–4:30pm

**Report Back from Working Group Breakout Meetings on
2006 Priorities and Outcomes**

Working Group Leaders, Facilitators

Outcomes:

- Update on 2006 priority issues and activities of each Working Group.
- Working Groups identify plans to address crosscutting themes discussed during the RHSC meeting.
- Plenary discussion of plans.

4:30pm–5:00pm

Special Recognition of the Members Who Are Rotating Off

5:00pm–5:30pm

Closing Remarks

Margret Verwijk and Wolfgang Bichmann, Co-Chairs

Outcomes:

Summary of key points from the meeting and discussion of plans for the October meeting to be held in Germany.

Closing Remarks from UNFPA

Thoraya Obaid, UNFPA

Follow-Up

Executive Committee Meeting

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