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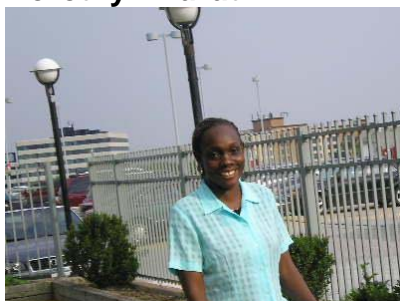
Welcome to the fifth Newsletter from the Center for Social Science Research on AIDS (CeSSRA), a collaborative training and research center, with collaborators from Case Western Reserve University, Makerere University, the Joint Clinical Research Centre, and Mbarara University of Science and Technology, SABRES/IDI/SPH, among others. The CeSSRA office is always open Monday to Friday 8am to 5pm. It is located in Seminar Room 7 in the Faculty of Social Sciences, Makerere University main campus.

The center's aim is to train social scientists to carry out social science research on HIV/AIDS collaboratively and also conduct a longitudinal study on the social context of HIV/AIDS treatment. Under the fellowship component, the Fellows are reviewing their individual mentoring plans and are concretizing their areas of research interest. They are currently participating in an ongoing research design course. Fellows continuously receive free-critique as they present their research work. This will enable them publish papers in scientific journals and prepare grantable proposals.

PROFILE

Each month we feature a profile of one of our research fellows, focusing on their training and areas of interest.

Dorothy Akurut



Master of Arts Sociology 2006, Makerere University
Bachelor of Arts (Social Sciences) 1998 Major;
Sociology/Social Research. Makerere University
Makerere University Diploma in Education 1986.

Dorothy Akurut has twelve years experience in programme development in health related reputable institutions working in the following areas: HIV/AIDS prevention and care, Vaccine Trials, TB prophylaxis, Reproductive health, PMTCT and HBHCT, Adherence issues, Microbicides, discordant couples, and High Risk communities all in the era of HIV/AIDS. She has eight years' experience in coordinating donor funded projects, Program development, monitoring and evaluation and administration. She has six years experience in conducting scientific research in areas of HIV/AIDS and related infections; community mobilization and sensitization for reproductive health; writing and presenting reports and 4 years publishing to peer reviewed journals.

She has good interpersonal, organizational and communication skills and work very well in a team environment and ability to work on multiple projects at the same time with minimal supervision

UPCOMING FELLOWS EVENTS

Research Design Course:

The next research design session is scheduled for 7th November 2008 in the CeSSRA office. Please note the change of location.

RECENT EVENTS:



Fellows attending a webcam session at UMI on 10th October 2008

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS:

USHS is going to hold a workshop in Tanzania from 9th to 11th December 2008. Check the website for details.

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