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Invitation from the Chair - Doug Goldsmith

I wish to welcome you to the Applied Anthropology meeting, held April 5 to 10 in Sante Fe. The AARG Business meeting will be held on Friday April 8 from 12:00 to 1:15 PM. It will be held in Ortiz 3, the same room in which several AIDS sessions will be held, preceding and following. The business meeting will be an opportunity to get AARG back on track with projects and ideas we could not act on when the San Francisco meeting was rerouted to Atlanta, where only a few members, led by our Secretary/ Treasurer Karen Kroeger, greeted a handful of people interested in AARG. One of those ideas was to find ways to honor and memorialize people we have lost to this pandemic. An order of business will be to open nominations for the Chair Elect position, with an election in time for the fall AAA meeting. Another order of business will be to again announce the winner of the Clark Taylor Professional Paper Prize and to present her, Kathleen Erwin, with a plaque. In further celebration for the prize winner, and in honor of Clark Taylor, for whom the prize has been named, AARG will host a Wine-and-Cheese Reception on Friday evening from 5:45 to 7:15. This reception will be held at the wonderful Witter Bynner Estate, which is a short walk from the meeting hotel. At the reception Ralph Bolton and Joe Carrier will speak in memory of Clark Taylor. The prize winner and some of the prize judges are expected at the reception. And the same lovely walk will bring you back to the meeting hotel in time for the Malinowski Lecture.

I hope to see many of you in Santa Fe.

Letter from the Editor

This issue has one article by Alexander Rodlach, about condom beliefs in Zimbabwe. This was the topic of his presentation at last year's SfAA meeting in Dallas. I hope his contribution can inspire some of you to write up your own presentations, or expand on your abstracts, and submit them to the newsletter! Kearsley Stewart sent us some abstracts which give a taste of what you can find at the SfAA.

I have included a list of most of the presentations that are on the topic of HIV/AIDS at this year's SfAA meeting in Santa Fe. I also include the list of our members, with their contact information, their research interests and their current projects. (Please let Susan Pietrzyk know if there are changes at spietrzl@binghamton.edu). Maybe this can facilitate networking among colleagues with similar interests!

Warm regards,
 Anna Marie Nicolaysen
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Community's View Of Research Ethics And An HIV/AIDS Clinical Trial In Uganda

(Kearsley A. Stewart, Northwestern University)

Based on 100 individual interviews and 12 focus group discussions conducted in Uganda in 2002 and 2004, this paper analyzes local definitions of western-derived concepts of bioethics, such as autonomy, beneficence, risk, and ethics, in the context of HIV/AIDS research in Uganda. The paper asks two broad questions: (1) How can we translate these Euro-American concepts into everyday language and research practice in Africa? (2) Given the difficulties of achieving #1, is it even possible to conduct ethically-sound clinical trial research in a resource-poor community in Africa? Recommendations for improving the conduct of health research are discussed.

The "HapMap" Project in Nigeria: Community Consultation, Individual Consent, and Social Justice

(Patricia Marshall, Case Western Reserve University)

The haplotype map (HapMap) is viewed as the next step in expanding our knowledge of the human genome. DNA samples are being collected from geographically diverse communities throughout the world. This paper reports on community engagement prior to DNA sampling in Nigeria. Strategies included establishing a community advisory board, key informant interviews, focus groups, a survey, and town meetings. Despite this robust approach to community consultation, how "informed" and voluntary is research participation in light of community approval for the study? A number of challenges arise, including comprehension and its influence on individual choice and issues related to capacity building and social justice.

Disclosure of HIV Status to Children: Developing Culturally Appropriate Guidelines

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Regulatory agencies require informed assent from children participating in domestic and international biomedical research. Obtaining informed assent from children participating in AIDS research, however, is complicated in developing countries where most children are unaware of their HIV status. Moreover, few recommendations exist on how and when HIV status should be communicated to children. We present an approach using quantitative and qualitative methods to develop culturally appropriate assent and disclosure guidelines and to create effective social support systems for families choosing to disclose as part of AIDS research in Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo.

Session Title: SMA Takes a Stand on Clinical Trials: Anthropological Contributions to Advancing Research Ethics

Session Organizer: Kathleen M. MacQueen (FHI)

Discussant: Craig Janes (CU-Denver)

Session abstract:

Over the past two years the Society for Medical Anthropology (SMA) Task Force on Clinical Trials has presented overviews of the ethical challenges associated with the expansion of clinical research in developing countries. We outlined contributions that anthropologists can make toward enhancing ethics, protecting vulnerable populations from exploitation, and supporting research that is likely to improve health in resource-poor settings. In this session, sponsored by the SMA, we present results from several projects that highlight recent anthropological contributions to the ethics of clinical research, as well as lessons learned and the on-going challenges associated with this work.

Oh! That's What You Mean By Ethics?: A Rural



Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Autonomy and Decision-Making about Research Participation

(Cynthia Woodsong, FHI)

Internationally accepted bioethics principals include recognition of autonomy in decision-making about research participation. However, in many countries, enrolment of women in research without informing their male partners is considered a violation of cultural norms. This is especially salient in studies requiring changes in sexual behavior. We present findings providing a range of views on participation in microbicides research, including data from community leaders, health providers, and female and male potential research participants in seven countries. Findings have been used to develop an approach to support participants' decision-making that is culturally appropriate, yet supports the principal of respect for persons.

Who Speaks For The Community In International Clinical Trials?

(Kathleen M. MacQueen, FHI)

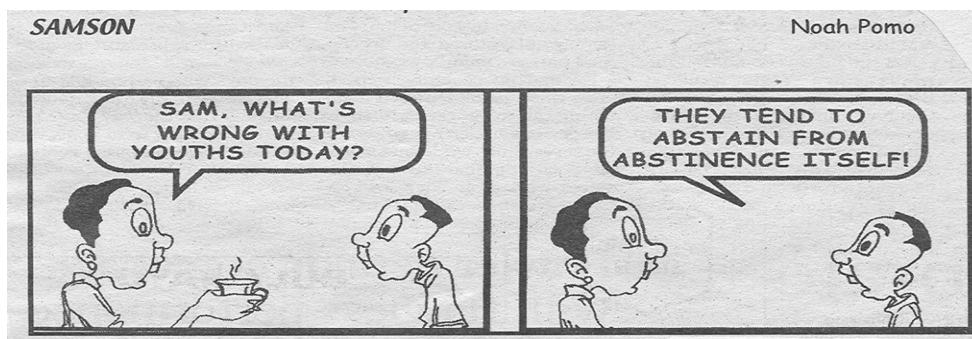
In recent years ethics guidelines for the conduct of international clinical trials have included calls for greater community participation in the design and implementation of trials. A variety of models have emerged for responding to this call, along with critiques of those models. Efforts to make clinical research more participatory run up against divergent uses of the term "community" by various stakeholders, including bioethicists, researchers, trial participants, and activists. The nontrivial implications of divergent definitions are illustrated through the example of multinational trials testing the use of an antiretroviral to prevent HIV infection.

Condom Beliefs in Zimbabwe

By Alexander Rodlach, Ph.D. Candidate
University of Florida

Zimbabwe is a southern African country with a population of approximately 11.6 million. The number of adults living with HIV/AIDS at the end of 2003 was estimated to be around 25%. HIV/AIDS awareness and prevention messages generally promote the use of condoms. This paper is about what some Zimbabweans think about the condom. The findings are based mainly on interviews from January to December 2003 which I did in Nkulumane Township in Bulawayo, as well as some data from a survey questionnaire administered to a random sample of residents in one ward of the Township.

First I will speak about the positive condom beliefs that I encountered. A large section of the township appears to accept condoms as a helpful tool to prevent infection. They generally doubt that abstinence is a possible choice particularly for the youth and encourage the use of condoms. The following cartoon humorously refers to this.



Therefore, numerable informants strongly believe that it is necessary to at least make condoms available. Informants are also aware of the need to use a condom within marriage because men who are thought to be generally promiscuous may be or are indeed already infected and may infect their wives. Overall, while accepting the minimal risks for contracting HIV remaining with the use of condoms, this section of the population approves the condom: "When asked about what is better, to use or not to use a condom, my answer is clear: to use it, because it protects... You can enjoy the encounter because you do not have to be afraid of this disease." In other words, prevention campaigns have been successful with this section of Township residents.

However, a sizable number of residents does not agree with these positive views about the condom and is critical at best or entirely hostile at worst. For example some said that "the condom is like someone telling you to walk on thorns and promises to bandage your wounds afterwards". For them, sex in times of HIV/AIDS can hurt like walking on thorns. And although the condom promises to be helpful when someone gets hurt, this is only a false promise and condom use could actually result in HIV infection. The following statement reiterates this view: "When we listen to the radio, we hear that those who use condoms are the ones who are HIV negative. But when we hear of the results of testing, then we realize that those who use condoms are actually HIV positive." The reasons given why HIV infection happens despite or even because of condoms can be grouped into four categories of beliefs.

The first category of condom beliefs could be called 'popular science'. Particularly churches opposed to the use of condoms spread messages about the minimal risk remaining with proper condom use. They frequently exchange 'minimal risk' with 'major risk' referring to an unreliability of condoms. They do so because their main focus in HIV/AIDS prevention is abstinence. In discussions many use and develop these arguments:

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“Condoms have pores, as it is scientifically proven. Everything has got pores, even our skin has pores. The HIV virus is so small that it can enter through these pores in the condoms.” I was surprised how interested particularly the young are in anything that appears to be scientific and how quickly they absorb it. It seems to me that many HIV/AIDS campaigners do not address this interest sufficiently and indirectly lead people into the hands of pseudo-scientific ideologies.

Besides the issue of the holes, it is often argued that the poor quality of condoms results in a high risk for contracting HIV. A science student argues that this is because like other donations from overseas “also condoms that are donated to Africa are of poor quality.” Newspaper reports on shipments from overseas of faulty condoms reinforce such suspicions. Generally one also hears arguments like the following: “Most of the condoms are not produced locally but come from outside the country. It takes a long time to ship them to Zimbabwe. They need also to be stored in a cool place. They are brought by ship in metal containers which can get very hot in the sun. When you heat up a plastic it expands and also the holes it naturally has expanded.” The perception that Africa is the dumping ground for old goods from Europe and America, the distance from these places of production and economic prosperity, and the lack of proper facilities in Zimbabwe to store them, is behind such views. Condom beliefs do not escape being shaped by negative perceptions about the global and the local economy. After all they are a product of these economies.

The reliability of testing the quality of condoms is also in doubt. The following statement of a young man echoes what many voiced: “From let’s say 500,000 condoms they only test 10 and 499,990 are not tested and they tell us that it is 99% reliable. They test only ten and give the rest to people! How do they know it! It could happen that 499,990 people who used these condoms are now HIV positive!” The young man obviously misunderstood what testing means and how conclusions are drawn. Perhaps better explanations on this commonly misunderstood issue would help people to base their decision to use or not to use condoms on better information! Keeping this and the quality issue in mind as well as thoughts about the holes in the condom, it is not surprising that a large section of a random sample of the Township population doubts the reliability of condoms.

The second category of condom beliefs is conspiracy theories on three levels: (1) the individual, (2) the economic, and (3) the political level. On the individual level the suspicion is raised that those who are HIV positive deliberately spread the disease. Due to the unavailability of antiretroviral drugs and the unaffordability of health care, being HIV positive in Zimbabwe is generally coterminous with a death sentence. The fear that HIV positive individuals become angry, resentful, and even vengeful seems logical to many Zimbabweans; HIV positive people are often thought to plot to deliberately infecting others with HIV. There are a large number of people in the random sample that hold this perception. Even condoms

may be part of their malicious plot: “They know that they have AIDS and want to kill others. Before they use a condom they pierce it. Therefore it is necessary that the woman is ‘dressing’ the man with the condom and vice versa, so that we know for sure that this did not happen. When you sleep together and your partner starts touching the condom you get suspicious.” However, this fear becomes very remote with the few HIV positive individuals who are in the position to receive antiretroviral treatment. They have a different attitude: they appear to live responsibly, have hope and see a future. It is difficult to imagine them to wanting to kill others. It is possible that providing antiretroviral drugs on a larger scale would reduce this fear related to the use of the condom.

On an economic level of conspiracy, a suspicion is raised that condoms are promoted not because they are a reliable tool but because someone wants to get rich through condom sales. A young man’s statement reiterates what many told me: “The condom is just for business. The reason to promote condoms is just to make money.” Also a common conflation of prevention messages with commercial adverts feeds into such perceptions. A young man told me, that “when you see an advert on TV about a certain product, for example a soft drink, then this advert creates a desire in you and you want to taste it. The same happens with the adverts about condoms. So, they want to taste how that thing works and obviously, you can only taste it on someone of the opposite sex!” Generally, people do not distinguish informative ads from commercial ads. For them it is just a promotion for something which someone wants to sell, to get money, and to get rich! The logic of being used by the economically powerful is related to the economic situation in Zimbabwe: the unemployment is around 80%, salaries are low and the cost of living is rising. Most are gliding into poverty but at the same time see that there are still someone enjoy a high living standard: usually the business men. Condom perceptions do not escape perceptions of those at the bottom of the economy. It is possible that future disentanglement of condom ads from commercial ads would at least minimize such negative perceptions.

On the political level of conspiracy, many relate HIV/AIDS to a suspicion about outsiders with a malicious intent: “It surprises me that AIDS has not been a problem during Smith’s [last prime minister of the white minority government] era. But after independence we have heard suddenly of condoms and family planning. I am convinced that some white politicians use these to kill blacks so that they can get back the country.” Very widespread is the following belief that HIV has been deliberately planted into the lubrication of condoms by such malicious agency: “When you pour hot water into the condom and you leave it for some time then germs develop. You will see it full of tiny worms.” A sizeable group within the random sample, around 11%, expresses belief in this myth. This condom belief is reminiscent of common theories about the origin and the genesis of HIV/AIDS as a tool in the hands of Western racists to eradicate Blacks and at times referred to in current political propaganda. If politicians would refrain from using such propaganda, it could also positively impact on condom beliefs.

The third category of condom beliefs is related to moral connotations. Many respondents told me: “We are told to use condoms in order to be protected. It is like telling us that we should just enjoy with many sexual partners.” Such views result in a heavy stigmatization of the condom: only promiscuous people use them, particularly the prostitutes, but between partners who trust and are expected to be faithful to each other they have no place. The following two cartoons from local newspapers refer to such beliefs.



The strong connotation of condoms with promiscuity leads often to the equation that condoms must be also promoting HIV/AIDS because the promiscuous are the ones contracting the virus. Several told me: “You see they have been promoting condoms, that is how they are promoting AIDS! We realize that our children are dying because of the condoms. The condoms are killing our children.” This sentiment perhaps is echoed in the following cartoon [IMAGE 4]. “Wearing” condoms is not smart; it is actually stupid because you are at a higher risk of contracting AIDS. The belief that condoms promote promiscuity is very common: more than 62% within the random sample held this belief.



As morals are generally based on belief systems, the condom becomes for some a symbol of the antichrist, of Satan and as a tool in his hands. The ‘condom-religion’ stands even in direct opposition to the ‘God-religion’, conflicting with religious concepts such as the ‘Kingdom of God’ and the ‘Word of God’: “Let’s Kingdomise and not Condomise” and “The only condom is the Word of God.” Instead of ‘believing’ in the ‘condom’ people should ‘believe’ in the ‘rosary’ as some argue. The placing of condoms and faith on a single level defines them as competing worldviews with opposed values. This may be partly because of different approaches; NGOs and government agencies often acknowledge the reality of sexual behavior and tell people to at least protect themselves. In contrast, many churches focus on behavioral change and tell people to abstain. This antagonism is also indicative of a lack of cooperation between different groups. Overall, I got the impression that there is a mutual mistrust and belittling between the groups.

The fourth category is related to an indigenous concept of the sexual intercourse. Particularly healers and elderly told me that during intercourse man and wife are ejaculating into each other body-fluids while at the same time actively drawing the body-fluid of the other into one’s own body. Therefore, some expressed the fear that the condom might be sucked into the female body and cause illness. However, the main concern was the lubricant of the condom. When a condom is used the lubricant inside the condom is thought to be drawn into the male body and the lubricant outside the condoms thought to be drawn into the female body. There is then a fear that the lubricant may cause illness, even AIDS. In this belief it is dangerous or even lethal to use condoms. Dialogue with healers and elders about the nature of lubricants in the condoms and their effect on the human body would perhaps convince them and their clientele that the lubricant is safe and even if drawn into the body harmless.

I conclude with a general statement of respondents: “Condoms have an illness and lead many to the graves.” Some people take it quite literal and argue that HIV is in the condom or that the lubricant of the condom causes illness or even AIDS. Others say so because they do not believe in the quality and efficacy of condoms out of some reason; therefore condoms ‘have an illness’ because they are indirectly responsible for AIDS. Again others relate the condom to promiscuity and therefore to high risk behavior for acquiring HIV. The condom is again indirectly responsible for AIDS. The negative condom beliefs are partly based on misunderstandings but mainly on perceptions about the local and the global economy, on political propaganda, on the unavailability of treatment, and on the lack of communication among different players in the field of HIV/AIDS awareness and prevention. Some issues are beyond our control, while others could be addressed as indicated in this paper. (The images are all taken from the Zimbabwean newspaper, The Daily News.)

Presentations in Santa Fe on HIV/AIDS

(W-13) WEDNESDAY 8:00-9:45

Ortiz One [Hilton]

The Distribution of Health Related Cultural Models: Results from Diverse Settings

MINNICH, Laura (U of Alabama at Tuscaloosa)

Understanding the Cultural Model of HIV/AIDS in Trinidad

COPELAND, Toni (U of Alabama) Urbanization and HIV+ Women in Nairobi, Kenya

(W-14) WEDNESDAY 8:00-9:45

Ortiz Two [Hilton]

Applying Anthropology to Clinical Trial Research

TOLLEY, Betsy (Family Hlth Int'l) Improving the Measurement of Acceptability and Use within Contraceptive and HIV Prevention Trials

(W-45) WEDNESDAY 10:00-11:45

Ortiz Three [Hilton]

Contemporary Issues in Food Security and Nutritional Anthropology in Africa

HIMMELGREEN, David (U of S Florida), TURKON, David (Glendale Community College), ROMERO-DAZA, Nancy (U of S Florida), OKELLA-UMA, Ipolto, MOHAMMED, Jamal, OUKO ODENYA, William, MAMELLO MPEMI, Regina (NUL), WATSON, Sharon (U of S Florida) Combating HIV/AIDS and Food Insecurity Together: Nutritional Intervention and Behavior Modification in Southern Africa

DESAI, Sameeksha (Counterpart Int'l, George Mason U), EHLE, Gretchen (George Mason U) and SAWADOGO, Youssouf (Counterpart Int'l) Effects of HIV/AIDS on Formal and Informal Knowledge Transfer: The Case of Mali
SELLEN, Daniel W. and TEGLAND, S. Eve (U of Toronto) Support for Safer Infant Feeding when Food Insecurity and HIV/AIDS are Prevalent: What Do New Mothers Want?
BRENTON, Barrett (St. John's U) HIV/AIDS, Food Insecurity, and Genetically Modified Emergency Relief Food in Zambia

(W-104) WEDNESDAY 1:30-3:15

Ortiz Two [Hilton]

Health Beliefs in Cultural Context

RUBIN, Sarah (Case Western Reserve U) HIV Does Not Cause AIDS: 'AIDS Dissidents' and Illness at the Intersection of Embodied and Disembodied Knowledge

(W-135) WEDNESDAY 3:30-5:15

Ortiz Three [Hilton]

Health Belief Systems in the Context of HIV/AIDS

RITCHIE, Amanda (Nat'l Development & Rsrch Inst) Factors Affecting Health Care Decisions among HIV-Positive Women: The Role of Multiple Stigmas

VARGHESE, Peggy (Southern Methodist U) Purity and

Pollution of Caste in the Context of HIV/AIDS: Challenges of Theory and Method

BLOOM, Frederick (CDC) The Biological Context of Sexual Risk Reduction: Reemergence of Syphilis in Gay Men

WOLDEHANNA, Sara (Global Hlth Council) and

NYAMONGO, Isaac K. (U of Nairobi) Faith-Based

Organizations and HIV/AIDS: Responding to the Threat of HIV to Our Families, Communities and Heritage

KIS, Adam D. (U of Florida) An Analysis of the Impact of AIDS on Funeral Culture in Malawi

(TH-23) THURSDAY 8:00-9:45

Acoma South [Loretto]

Clinical Communication and Cultural Competency (SMA)

JONES, Rose (TX/OK AETC) Michael Jordan, Brick Houses and The X-Files: Perceptions of HIV/AIDS Clinical Trials Among Patients and Providers in Rural, Minority-Based Communities

(TH-45) THURSDAY 10:00-11:45 Ortiz Three [Hilton] Applied Anthropology in Health and Healing: Lessons from the Field

ROMAN, Mike (Oregon State U) Kiribati Youth, Perceptions of HIV/AIDS and Related Risk Behaviors

HEDGES, Kristin N. (Oregon State U) "Ukimwi Ni Homa" (AIDS is a Cold.)

(TH-105) THURSDAY 1:30-3:15

Ortiz Three [Hilton]

Women and HIV: Risk Behavior and Prevention Strategies Across Culture, Ethnicity, and Life Span

BOJKO, Martha J. (U of Connecticut) Young Women and Sexual Risk in a Time of Societal Transition in Ukraine

EASTON, Delia (NYC Dept of Hlth & Mental Hygiene) Which Risk?: Effective HIV Prevention for Young Puerto Rican Women in the Context of Multiple Health Risks

GRANT, Kathryn (U of Florida) Sex and the "Recently Single": Conceptualizations of Mature Sexuality and HIV Risk among Women and their Primary-care Physicians

RAGSDALE, Kathleen (Fordham U), GORE-FELTON, Cheryl and SEAL, David (Med College of Wisconsin) Flippers and Wives: Acculturation, Relationship Power, and Sexual Risk among 2nd Generation Latinas

RODLACH, Alexander (U of Florida) Unfaithful Husbands, Traditional Potions, and HIV/AIDS in Zimbabwe

SOUND, Fatma (U of Florida) HIV/AIDS and Medical Pluralism: Utilization of Maternity Health Care by Muslim Women in Mombasa, Kenya

DISCUSSANT: PAGE, J. Bryan (U of Miami)

(TH-114) THURSDAY 1:30-3:15

Chaco East [Loretto]

Subjectivities: Exploring "Irregular" Migrants'

Experiences of Law and State Power (SUNTA)

ROSENTHAL, Anat (Hebrew U-Jerusalem) Battling for Survival, Battling for Moral Clarity: "Illegality" and Illness in Everyday Struggles of Undocumented HIV+ Women Migrant Workers in Tel Aviv

(TH-132) THURSDAY 3:30-5:15

Aspen [Hilton]

An Examination of the Contribution of Foundational Constructs in Medical Anthropology to the Study of the HIV Epidemic

ANDERSON, Katrina (Wayne State U) The Relevance of Kleinman's Explanatory Model for Understanding Treatment of HIV Among African Americans

NEVEDAL, Dana (Wayne State U) Are Missed Dose Questions Missing the Mark in Understanding Adherence?

WUNDERLICH, Tracy (Wayne State U) The Role of Physician and Patient Beliefs About Alcohol in Patient Adherence to Anti-retroviral Medication

BERRY, Robert Rico (Wayne State U) The Meaning of HIV Stigma and Testing Behavior among HIV+ African Americans

ROHN, Edward, BRAWN, David and SANKAR, Andrea (Wayne State U) Rapport and Retention in Qualitative Research: A Longitudinal Study of African Americans with HIV

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(F-12) FRIDAY 8:00-9:45

Aspen [Hilton]

Women's Health & Reproduction

BEAL, Diane and BONNEKESSEN, Barbara (U of Missouri-KC) Women and Condom Use: A Campus Survey

(F-14) FRIDAY 8:00-9:45

Ortiz Two [Hilton]

HIV Prevention Programs in Cultural Perspective

HEDGES, Kristin N. (Oregon State U) Evaluation of a Performance Based Contract with Pillar of Hope

ROMERO-DAZA, Nancy (U of S Florida), RAMIREZ-RUBIO, Oriana and BATRES-BONI, Elsa (Instituto

Monteverde) Design of HIV Awareness Materials in Rural Costa Rica: A Community Participatory Approach

HONG, Yan, PETERSON, James and MITCHELL, Shannon (Johns Hopkins) Pro.ling the Neighborhoods: Ethnographic Formative Assessment for Targeted Outreach and Sampling of an HIV/STD Prevention Intervention

PETERSON, James (Johns Hopkins U) The Shooting Gallery: Implications for the Introduction of an Ethnographic HIV Prevention Intervention

(F-22) FRIDAY 8:00-9:45

Acoma North [Loretto]

Conservation, Heritage and Environmental Issues: Challenges and Resolutions

MAYNARD-TUCKER, Gisele (UCLA) Peer Education in the Workplace: Findings from an HIV Prevention Program in Lagos, Nigeria

(F-25) FRIDAY 8:00-9:45

Chaco West [Loretto]

Research Narratives from FAM in the GAM to Today

D'ADAMO, Mary (St Mary's College-Maryland) The Role of Gambian Religious Leaders in HIV/AIDS Education

(F-35) FRIDAY 10:00-11:45

Santa Fe [La Fonda]

The Heritage of Neoliberalism: Gender Inequalities in Environment, Agriculture, and Health Resources Part II

EIBL, Marita (Michigan State U) HIV/AIDS and Antiretrovirals: Accessing Treatment in Tanzania

(F-43) FRIDAY 10:00-11:45

Ortiz One [Hilton]

Making a Difference: Applications of Anthropological Research To Health Policy and Health Practice

JEROME, Jessica (U of Chicago) Speaking and Listening to Mothers with HIV

FRIDAY 12:00-1:15

Ortiz One [Hilton]

AARG Business Meeting

(F-92) FRIDAY 1:30-4:00

Ballroom South [La Fonda]

Poster Session

FUENTES, Catherine M. Mitchell (U of Connecticut)

Contesting Health: Abused Women's Strategies for Reducing STD/HIV Risk

MOUSSAVI, Sara (U of Maryland) Food Aid Programming in HIV/AIDS Contexts

NEVEDAL, Andrea (Wayne State U) An Exploration of HIV and Adults Over Fifty: Age Ain't Nothing But A Number - Or Is It

RHINE, Kathryn A. (Brown U) Duniya Mace da Ciki ce ("The World is a Pregnant Woman"): Marriage and Reproductive Decision-making Among HIV+ Women in Northern Nigeria

(F-99) FRIDAY 1:30-3:15

Aspen [Hilton]

SMA Takes a Stand on Clinical Trials: Anthropological Contributions to Advancing Research Ethics (SMA)

STEWART, Kearsley A. (Northwestern U) That's What You

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Presentations in Santa Fe on HIV/AIDS

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Mean by Ethics?: A Rural Community's View of Research Ethics and an HIV/AIDS Clinical Trial In Uganda
CORNELI, Amy, RENNIE, Stuart, VAZ, Lara, VAN RIE, Annelies (U of N Carolina-Chapel Hill), CALLENS, Steven (UNC/DRC/GAP Project, Kinshasa, Democratic Rep of Congo), KITETELE, Faustin (Pediatric Hosp, Kalembe Lembe, Kinshasa, Democratic Rep of Congo) and BEHETS, Frieda (U of N Carolina-Chapel Hill) Disclosure of HIV Status to Children: Developing Culturally Appropriate Guidelines

(F-105) FRIDAY 1:30-3:15

Ortiz Three [Hilton]

Now What?: The Future Of AIDS and Anthropology Part I

EYRE, Stephen L. (U of California-San Francisco) Uses of Culture in the Prevention of HIV/AIDS: Targeting the Minority American Adolescent

FELDMAN, Douglas A. (SUNY Brockport) The Future of AIDS and Anthropology in Africa

SHEDLIN, Michele G. and DECENA, Carlos U. (Nat'l Dev & Rsrch Inst) New Hispanic Immigrants & HIV Risk: The Role of Anthropology

SINGER, Merrill (Hispanic Health Council) Double, Double Toil and Trouble: Addressing the Intertwined Syndemic of Violence and AIDS

STERK, Claire E. (Emory U) and ELIFSON, Kirk W. (Georgia State U) AIDS and Anthropology among Female Drug Users and Sex Workers in the US

(F-132) FRIDAY 3:30-5:15

Aspen [Hilton]

HIV/AIDS Prevention and Interventions in Asia

KALJEE, Linda (U of Maryland-Baltimore) Introduction

HONG, Yan (Johns Hopkins U) and LI, Xiaoming (Wayne State U) HIV Risk Factors among Rural-to-Urban Migrants in China

SCHENSUL, Stephen L. (U of Connecticut) Men's Sexual Health Priorities and Prevention of HIV/STD in Mumbai, India

PACH, Alfred (Int'l Vaccine Inst) Gender, Stigma and AIDS in Nepal

RIEL, Rosemary and KALJEE, Linda M. (U of Maryland-Baltimore), THO, Le Huu (Khanh Hoa Provincial Hlth Service, Nha Trang City, Viet Nam), MINH, Tuong Tan (Ha Noi Med U, Ha Noi, Viet Nam) Assessing Gender Roles, Relations and Communication among Adolescents for HIV Prevention Programs in Viet Nam

(F-134) FRIDAY 3:30-5:15

Ortiz Two [Hilton]

Death, Dying, and Bioethics (SMA)

FOSTER, Valerie The Interconnection Of Widowhood, Food Insecurity, and HIV/AIDS in North Western Tanzania

(F-135) FRIDAY 3:30-5:15

Ortiz Three [Hilton]

Now What?: The Future Of AIDS and Anthropology Part II-Panel Discussion

PANELISTS: FELDMAN, Douglas A. (SUNY Brockport),

EYRE, Stephen L. (U of California-San Francisco),

MARSHALL, Patricia (Case Western Reserve U), SINGER,

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(F-138) FRIDAY 3:30-5:15

Kiva A [Hotel Santa Fe]

Health Issues among Latinos in the US: Approaching Latinos' Diversity by Crafting Innovative Research Approaches (ALLA)

EASTON, Delia (New York City Dept of Hlth) Young Puerto Rican Females Conceptualizations of Gender in Response to HIV and Violence

GONZÁLEZ, M. Alfredo (Queens College/NYS Psychiatric Inst) Juntos Pero No Revueltos: Giving Respect to Difference in HIV and Sexuality Research with New York City Latino Homeless Men

(S-28) SATURDAY 8:00-9:45

Mesa C [Hilton]

New Studies in HIV Prevention

WEEKS, Margaret R. (Inst for Comm Rsrch), LIAO, Susu (Peking Union Med College), ABBOTT, Maryann (Inst for Comm Rsrch) Microbicide Readiness in Southern Chinese Sex Workers: Meanings of Options for Preventing Sexually Transmitted HIV

ABBOTT, Maryann, MOSACK, Katie, and WEEKS, Margaret R. (Inst for Comm Rsrch) Women Can't Wait for the Revolution: Advocacy and Acceptability of Microbicides for HIV Protection

DICKSON-GOMEZ, Julia (Inst for Community Rsrch) "El remolque y el vacíl": HIV Risk Among Salvadoran Street Gangs

BROOMHALL, Lorie and LIKU, Jennifer (Family Hlth Int'l) Investigating Exemplars: Understanding Consistent Condom Use by Couples in Primary Sexual Relationships

(S-105) SATURDAY 1:30-3:15

Ortiz Three [Hilton]

What Has Ethnography Taught Us About Drug Use? How Can this Knowledge be Applied?

SHAW, Susan and SINGER, Merrill (Hispanic Hlth Council) Unwelcome Views: Representing Unpopular Positions in Applied HIV Prevention Research

ZIBBELL, Jon E. (U of Massachusetts-Amherst) Re-theorizing Injection-related Harm by Putting the State In: Anthropology and the 'Injection Question' since the Onset of AIDS in the Mid 1980s

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(S-107) SATURDAY 1:30-3:15

Spruce [Hilton]

Multidisciplinary Approaches to HIV Prevention Research

MILLETT, Greg (CDC), MARKS, Gary (CDC), BINGHAM, Trista (LA Dept of Hlth Services), AYALA, George (CDC), STUEVE, Ann (Ed Dev Ctr), CARBALLO-DIEGUEZ, Alex (NY Blood Ctr), LAUBY, Jennifer (Philadelphia Hlth Management Corp), BOND, Lisa (Philadelphia Hlth Management Corp), TORIAN, Lucia (NY City Dept of Hlth), WHEELER, Darrell (LA Dept of Hlth Services), and MURRILL, Chris (NY City Dept of Hlth) Brothers Y Hermanos: A Multisite HIV Seroprevalence and Incidence Study of Black and Latino Men Who Have Sex With Men (MSM)

CAREY, James W. (CDC), BINGHAM, Trista (Los Angeles County Dept of Hlth Services), SEY, Kwa (CHIP Rsrch Team) and SCHWARTZ, Deborah (CDC) Social Context and Individual Risk Factors Associated with Recent HIV Seroconversion Among Men Who Have Sex With Men in Los Angeles, California

LEVIN Elise (U of Illinois-Chicago), LINDSAY, Kate (Howard Brown Hlth Ctr), ARON, Jennifer, PRUITT, Jaclyn (Chicago Dept of Hlth), PRACHAND, Nikhil and CIESIELSKI, Carol (CDC) HIV Risk Behavior in Chicago Neighborhoods: Varying Pro.les of Risk

PATEL-LARSON, Alpa (CDC), CAREY, James (CDC), ROBBINS, Ann (Dept of State Hlth Services) and GALBRAITH, Jennifer (CDC) and the Texas PQPC Staff, Austin, TX Translating Research to Practice: Promoting a Protocol-Driven Behavioral Intervention for HIV Prevention Counseling in Texas

DISCUSSANT: FINERMAN, Ruthbeth (U of Memphis)

(S-148) SATURDAY 3:30-5:15

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Circumcision: The Cutting Edge of HIV Prevention?

(SMA)

MCCOMBIE, Susan (Georgia State U) Onanism, Giant Smegoliths, and the Dangerous Prepuce: The History of Male Pubic Health

ALLEY, Chris (NDRI Inc) HIV Prevention: The Cutting Edge of Circumcision?

STANSBURY, James P. and AMATO KRISEL, Erica (U of Florida) Evidence and Ambivalence: Why Studies of Male Circumcision Won't Speak for Themselves

MCGRATH, Janet (Case Western Reserve U) The Biology and Epidemiology of Male Circumcision as a Means of HIV Prevention

VAN VUUREN, Chris J. (U of S Africa) Malpractice in Circumcision Ritual in South Africa: Success And Failure with Intervention Strategies

BOLTON, Ralph and BARKEY, Nanette (Pomona College) Penile Surgery as HIV Prophylaxis: Foreskin Folly or the Future of AIDS Prevention?

DISCUSSANTS: SOUD, Fatma A. (U of Florida), LANG,

AIDS and Anthropology Research Group Business Meeting

Friday 04/08/2005

Time: 12:00 pm - 01:15 pm

**Place: Ortiz One
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AIDS and Anthropology Research Group Wine- and-Cheese Reception

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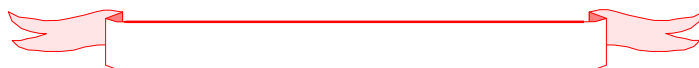
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