



Diploma in Reproductive Health course at Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine.



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Obstetricians and
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— IN PARTNERSHIP WITH —
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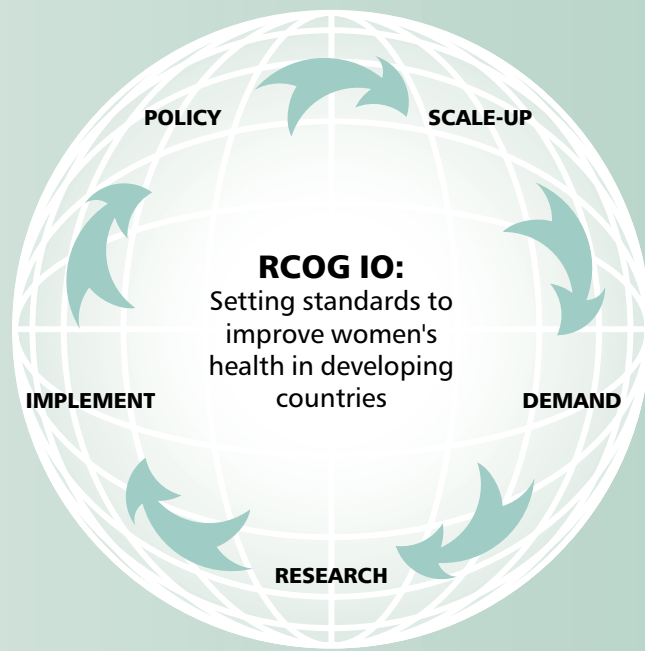
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Diploma in Reproductive Health for Developing Countries



Duration

Three months full time based in Liverpool.

Aims

The course aims to equip participants with additional up-to-date skills and knowledge to contribute to a reduction in reproductive mortality and morbidity in resource-poor countries.

The course focuses on those aspects of reproductive health that are within the scope of health professionals to address, either through influencing policy, better management of health services, research and training others to provide effective services that are of good quality and are women friendly.

The course emphasises active participation of the students through identification of issues that participants face in their own setting and exploring ways of improving these situations. Interaction with colleagues from across the globe and discussion with experts forms a large part of the programme.

Subject areas covered include:

- Principles of statistics and epidemiology
- Appropriate research methodologies
- Adolescent health
- Antenatal, intrapartum and postnatal care
- Neonatal care
- Gynaecological disease
- Infection and sexually transmitted diseases
- Family planning and abortion
- Gender and health
- Introduction to health economics and financial management
- Staff and programme management
- Providing technical assistance or consultancy

Learning objectives include:

- Develop an awareness of the need to reduce reproductive mortality and morbidity through a multidisciplinary and team approach.
- Increase knowledge of what is currently considered effective evidence-based health care.
- Increase capability to plan, implement and evaluate relevant programmes and interventions in sexual and reproductive health.
- Appreciate the skills and techniques involved in staff motivation, training, supervision and leadership.
- Understand basic epidemiology and statistics, quantitative and qualitative research methodology and apply this knowledge to be able to critically analyse research papers and reports.
- Understand the basic principles of health economics and cost effectiveness as used in sexual and reproductive health care.
- Use a personal computer and acquire appropriate computer skills; be able to conduct focused literature searches and use simple statistical packages.

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Setting standards to improve women's health in developing countries

OVERVIEW

This course is run jointly by the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine and the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, assisted by the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, University of Liverpool. The course combines practical classroom teaching with individual study time and small group work

Entry qualifications

- Any healthcare provider working in the area of sexual and reproductive health in a developing (resource-poor) country e.g. nurse, midwife, doctor, medical assistant, clinical officer.
- Suitably qualified and experienced candidates who intend to work in a developing country in the area of sexual and reproductive health.
- Applications from staff in ministries of health, freelance consultants, technical assistants and health advisers working in the area of sexual and reproductive health are invited.

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