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### Avian Influenza

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**PPHSN Advice on Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Southeast Asia from the animal health perspective** – IA17 – 2004  
Steve Angus

**Update on avian influenza and pandemic threat issues** – IA26 – 2007  
Seini Kupu

### Brucellosis

**Brucella suis brucellosis outbreak in Wallis and Futuna** – IA18 – 2004  
Loïc de Poncheville, Laurent Morisse, François Nuttens, Jean-François Yvon

### Chikungunya

**Chikungunya** – IA 24 - 2006

**Chikungunya: Measures taken to avoid its introduction into New Caledonia** – IA 24 – 2006  
Martine Noel

### Cholera

**Cholera outbreak in Pohnpei** – IA7 – 2000  
Amato Elymore, Jean-Paul Chaine

**WHO recommendations for travellers from cholera-infected areas** – IA7 – 2000  
Michael J. O'Leary

**Trade restrictions not recommended** – IA7 – 2000  
Tom Kiedrzynski

**Preparedness for cholera** – IA7 – 2000  
Tom Kiedrzynski

**Cholera outbreak in Pohnpei and Ebeye/Lae** – IA8 – 2001  
Tom Kiedrzynski, Christelle Lepers

### Dengue fever

**Dengue surveillance in the Pacific Islands** – IA2 – 1998  
Rob Condon, George Taleo, Tony Stewart, Tony Sweeney, Tom Kiedrzynski

**Summary of the current dengue-2 epidemic in the Pacific Islands as up to 20 September 1998** – IA2 – 1998  
Tom Kiedrzynski

**Dengue in Port Vila, May - July 1998: A short report demonstrating in surveillance in action** – IA2 – 1998  
George Taleo, Hilson Toaliu, Rob Condon, Hazel Clothier

**Dengue fever outbreak in Kosrae** – IA2 – 1998  
Livinson Taulung, Asher P. Asher

**Anti-dengue media campaign in Fiji** – IA6 – 2000  
Atu Qiolevu, Alumita Bera

**Dengue 1 epidemic in Palau - a summary as of 27 April 2001** – IA8 – 2001  
Michele D. Pineda

**Type 1 dengue fever outbreak in French Polynesia** – IA8 – 2001  
Bruno Hubert, Manola Laille

**Dengue update** – IA9 – 2001  
Tom Kiedrzynski

**PPHSN Guidelines: Dengue Fever (DF) and Dengue Haemorrhagic Fever (DHF) Clinical Management Guidelines** – IA9 – 2001  
Michael J. O'Leary

**Report on a year of dengue surveillance in New Caledonia (2001)** – IA11 – 2002  
Alain Berlioz-Arthaud

**DEN-1 Outbreak in the Pacific – Update as at 22 May 2002** – IA11 – 2002  
Christelle Lepers

**Dengue Fever in the Solomon Islands** – IA12 – 2002  
Dennie Iniakwala, Andrew Darcy, Hugo Bugoro

**DEN-1 Outbreak in the Pacific – Update as at 17 January 2003** – IA13 – 2002  
Christelle Lepers

**Type 1 Dengue fever epidemic in French Polynesia in 2001** – IA13 – 2002  
Bruno Hubert

**Evaluation of reagents for the serological diagnosis of dengue** – IA13 – 2002  
Alain Berlioz-Arthaud

**New Caledonia dengue surveillance report (2004)** – IA17 – 2004  
Alain Berlioz-Arthaud

**Den-3 – A threat the Pacific Islands needs to consider** – IA17 – 2004  
Tom Kiedrzynski

**Dengue surveillance and response in Vanuatu** – IA18 – 2004  
Len Tarivonda

**New Caledonia's 2004 Dengue fever mobilisation day** – IA18 – 2004  
Bernard Rouchon

**Dengue fever Type 1 outbreak in Yap (2004) – IA20 – 2005**  
Martin Bel

**Dengue entomological surveillance – IA20 – 2005**  
Laurent Guillaumot

**Evaluation of a new rapid test for Dengue serology – IA 23 – 2006**

**Provisional findings of dengue epidemiological surveillance in French Polynesia 2006 – IA 25 – 2006**  
Axel Wiegandt, Stéphane Lastère, Claire Hirschauer, Stéphane Loncke

**Summary of Pacific Island countries and territories dengue information for 2006 and 2007 – Situation as at 27 September 2007 – IA 27 – 2007**  
Christelle Lepers

**Dengue fever epidemiology and related control strategies in French Polynesia, 2006 – 2007 – IA 27 – 2007**  
Axel Wiegandt, Laurence Renou, Raimana Louette, Glenda Melix, Claire Hirschauer, Stéphane Lastère, Claudine Roche

**Dengue fever outbreak prevention in New Caledonia: Principles and tools – IA27 – 2007**  
Paul Martin, Jean-Paul Grangeon

**Dengue fever: the New Caledonian experience – IA 27 – 2007**  
Anne Pfannstiel

**Dengue fever in Wallis and Futuna: situation as at August 2007 – IA 27 – 2007**  
Jean-François Yvon

**Eradication: the only way to control dengue in Australia – IA 27 – 2007**  
Scott Ritchie, Ross Spark

**Implications of variable dengue diagnostic test performance – IA 27 – 2007**  
Greg Smith, Carmel Taylor

**Dengue rapid testing – IA 27 – 2007**  
Albert Gurusamy

**New initiatives in vector surveillance and control in the Pacific Island region – IA 27 – 2007**  
Justus Benzler

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**Key measures to prevent and control dengue – IA 27 – 2007**  
Tom Kiedrzynski

**Challenges for dengue control in the Pacific – IA 28 – 2008**  
Kevin Palmer

**Comparison of PanBio Dengue IgM ELISA assay with Pentax Dengue IgM-Particle Agglutination assay to evaluate factors affecting false positive results – IA 28 – 2008**  
Alain Berlioz-Arthaud, Albert Gurusamy

**Dengue fever situation in the Pacific Island countries and territories, 30 September 2008 – IA 29 – 2008**  
Christelle Lepers

## Diarrheal Diseases

**Amoeba/Salmonella co-infection in a 2 1/2 month-old infant – IA6 – 2000**  
Jean-François Yvon

**Shigella flexneri bloody mucoid diarrhoea outbreak on the island of Futuna – IA12 – 2002**  
Jean-François Yvon

## Filarisis

**Regional initiative for the elimination of filariasis – IA5 – 1999**  
Tony Stewart, Kazuyo Ichimori

## Foodborne Diseases

**Street food: microbiological quality of sandwiches in urban and suburban Papeete – IA6 – 2000**  
Manutea V. Gay

**Staphylococcal food poisoning—Guam – IA14 – 2003**  
James P. Last, Chet E. Holloway and Robert Contreras, Carolina M. Hannmann, Robert L. Haddock

**Building laboratory-based surveillance for foodborne diseases in the Western Pacific region – IA14 – 2003**  
Jay K. Varma

**Foodborne disease meeting in Malaysia – IA18 – 2004**  
Narendra Singh

## Giardiasis

**Giardiasis on Guam, in 1999 – IA7 – 2000**  
Robert Haddock, Robert L. Contreras, Michelle C. R. Lastimoza

## Hepatitis A

**Hepatitis A in New Caledonia - Summary report (6 December 2005) – IA 22 – 2005** Sylvie Barny

## HIV/AIDS & STD

**HIV/AIDS and STDs: surveillance systems need to be improved in the region – IA4 – 1999**

**HIV/AIDS pandemic in the Pacific – IA9 – 2001**  
Christelle Lepers, Andrew Peteru

**Regional action against HIV/AIDS – IA17 – 2004**  
Tim Sladden

**Update on Second Generation HIV Surveillance – IA18 – 2005**  
Tim Sladden

**Guidelines for HIV & STI surveillance in the Pacific Islands – IA20 – 2005**  
Tim Sladden

**Monitoring and evaluation of regional responses to HIV: Tying it all together with CRIS – IA 22 – 2005**  
Tim Sladden

## Influenza

**Epidemiological survey of Influenza in New Caledonia – IA5 – 1999**

Alain Berlioz-Arthaud, Philippe Pérolat

**Influenza in French Polynesia – IA11 – 2002**

Bruno Hubert

**Underlying principles of influenza surveillance for pandemic preparedness – IA17 – 2004**

Tom Kiedrzynski

**Increasing influenza surveillance in the Pacific Island Region – IA 22 - 2005**

**Implementing lab-based influenza surveillance – IA 24 – 2006**

Christelle Lepers

**Follow-up on the PPHSN project to enhance laboratory detection of human influenza – IA 26 – 2007**

Melissa Pontré

**Progress of the lab-based influenza surveillance project – IA29 – 2008**

Albert Gurusamy

**Report on 18 months of biological surveillance of influenza in Wallis and Futuna – IA29 – 2008**

Jean-François Yvon

## Leptospirosis

**Leptospirosis in Palau – IA8 – 2001**

Michele D. Pineda

**Leptospirosis in the Northern Mariana Islands – IA10 – 2001**

Joseph Kevin Villagomez, Richard Brostrom, Edward P. Diaz, John Tagabuel, Farhana Habib

**Infectious diseases in French Polynesia in 2001 – Leptospirosis – IA10 – 2001**

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**Recommended reading on Leptospirosis – IA10 – 2001**

**Evaluation of reagents for the serological diagnosis of leptospirosis – IA13 – 2002**

Alain Berlioz-Arthaud

**Survey on leptospirosis in the Pacific – IA16 – 2003**

Alain Berlioz-Arthaud, Tom Kiedrzynski

**Survey on leptospirosis in the Pacific – Progress report: August 2004 – IA19 – 2004**

Alain Berlioz-Arthaud, Tom Kiedrzynski, Narendra Singh, Christelle Lepers

**Leptospirosis in Wallis and Futuna in 2005 – IA 23 – 2006**

Laurent Morisse, Gwénaël Roualen, Jean-François Yvon

**Leptospirosis report 2005: New Caledonia – IA 23 – 2006**

Alain Berlioz-Arthaud, Fabrice Mérien

## Measles

**Measles in the Pacific Islands: the last outbreaks – IA1 – 1998**

Tom Kiedrzynski

**Vitamin A and measles prevention – IA1 – 1998**

Jane Patterson

**Measles mass campaigns – IA1 – 1998**

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Michael J. O'Leary

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Tom Kiedrzynski

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Ronald G. Balajadia

**Tuvalu takes concerted action against rubella and measles – IA22 – 2005**

Nese Ituaso-Conway, Tekaai Nelesone, Richard Duncan

**Measles supplementary immunization activities in Solomon Islands and Vanuatu in 2006 – IA22 – 2005**

Richard Duncan

**Measles outbreak and response campaign in Fiji, 2006 – IA 23 – 2006**

Timaima Tuiketei, Josaia Samuela

**Prevent Measles - Example of Fact Sheet for health workers in Fiji – IA 23 Supplement – 2006**

Narendra Singh, Peta-Anne Zimmerman

## Pertussis

**Pertussis on Guam: Update as at 19 October 2006 – IA 24 – 2006**

Robert Haddock

## Rubella

**Rubella outbreak in Tonga in 2002 – IA13 – 2002**

Seini Kupu

**Rubella Epidemic in Samoa – IA15 – 2003**

Nu'ualofa Tu'u'au-Potoi

**Tuvalu takes concerted action against rubella and measles – IA22 – 2005**

Nese Ituaso-Conway, Tekaai Nelesone, Richard Duncan

## SARS

**Chronology of PPHSN SARS Actions – IA14 – 2003**  
PPHSN-CB Focal Point

**International events in the SARS age – IA14 – 2003**  
Michael O'Leary

**SARS: Samoa's Experience – IA15 – 2003**  
Nu'ualofa Tu'u'au-Potoi

## Scrub typhus

**Scrub typhus - Palau – IA16 – 2003**  
Mark Durand, Stevenson Kuartei, Ishmael Togamae

## Tuberculosis

**Tuberculosis control at the crossroads – IA5 – 1999**  
Michael J. O'Leary

**WHO releases a DOTS Guidelines Manual – IA5 – 1999**  
Reiko Muto

**Tuberculosis study in Guam: 1994-1996 data – IA5 – 1999**  
Maria Isabel S. Yanto

**DOTS in the Pacific: encouraging results observed – IA5 – 1999**  
Janet O'Connor

**Family tuberculosis epidemic in the Tuamotu Group, French Polynesia – IA6 – 2000**  
Hervé Vergeaud

**Tuberculosis control in the Pacific: update and future hopes – IA20 – 2005**  
Mark Lambert

**Provider-initiated HIV testing and counseling in TB clinics in the Pacific – IA29 – 2008**  
Axel Wiegandt

## Typhoid fever

**Epidemic investigation for typhoid fever in Nauru – IA4 – 1999**  
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**Investigation on typhoid fever outbreak in Nauru – IA7 – 2000**  
Berlin Kafoa, Sonja Olsen

**Typhoid fever: another opportunity to make progress – IA 21 – 2005**  
Tom Kiedrzynski

**Typhoid fever outbreak in Fiji – situation as at 31 August 2005 – IA 21 – 2005**  
Timaima Tuiketei, Ili Kubuabola, Joe Koroivueta.

**Typhoid fever in Tongatapu (Tonga) – IA 21 – 2005**  
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**Typhoid continues in Samoa – IA 21 – 2005**  
Nuualofa Tuuau Potoi, Sineva Sinclair, Sinei Fili

## West Nile Fever

**West Nile Fever factsheet – IA13 – 2002**  
Alexandre Fediaevski

## Zika virus

**Preliminary report of Zika virus outbreak in Yap – IA 27 – 2007**  
Martin Bel

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**Valuable lessons learned from Exercise Virex in NZ – IA11 – 2002**  
Hayley Brock

**Underlying principles of influenza surveillance for pandemic preparedness – IA17 – 2004**  
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**A view on influenza preparedness in the Pacific – IA19 – 2004**  
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**PRIPPP: a joint effort to accelerate influenza pandemic preparedness – IA 23 - 2006**

**National Pandemic Influenza Preparedness Plans: A reflection of the preparedness status of PICTs for the threat of an influenza pandemic – IA 25 – 2007**  
Seini Kupu

**Niue's perspective on preparedness for avian influenza and pandemic threats – IA 26 – 2007**  
Manila Nosa

**Pacific Avian and Pandemic Influenza Taskforce – IA 26 – 2007**

Christelle Lepers

**'Fighting avian influenza requires information, communication and thinking outside the box' – IA 28 – 2008**  
Jimmie Rodgers

**Who's ready for a flu pandemic? – IA 28 - 2008**

**Niue influenza pandemic exercise – IA 28 – 2008**  
Seini Kupu, Manila Nosa

**Fiji Pandemic Plan testing exercise – IA 28 – 2008**  
Ian Peebles

## Child health

Papeete Child Health Service: from paediatrics to public health – IA6 – 2000  
Caroline Lafargue

Child health improved in Palau – IA7 – 2000  
Gregory Dever

## Climate change & public health

Papua New Guinea: Did the drought affect public health status? – IA1 – 1998  
James Wangi, Michael Douglas

## EPI Surveillance

Pacific EPI surveillance newsletter No 1 – IA4 – 1999

Email reporting for the Hospital Based Active Surveillance System in the Pacific Islands – Update on current trial – IA19 – 2004  
Richard Duncan

Updated HBAS Manual – IA21 – 2005

## Health sector reform

The PPHSN and the Health Sector Reform Agenda from Samoa's Health Sector Reform Perspective as per Strategic Objectives – IA12 – 2002  
Nuualofa Tuuau Potoi, Elize Gershater

## Healthy Islands

Healthy Islands and PPHSN – IA9 – 2001  
Caleb Otto

SPC: Working Towards 'Healthy Islands' – IA9 – 2001  
Yves Corbel

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Wame Baravilala

## Infection control

Boosting infection control measures in the Pacific Islands - Appendix - Examples of appropriate and inappropriate practices for infection prevention and control – IA 22 – 2005  
Peta-Anne Zimmerman

Improvements in infection control at Colonial War Memorial Hospital in Fiji – IA 29 – 2008  
Miriam Vakaloloma

Building infection control capacities in the Pacific Islands – IA 29 – 2008  
Margaret Leong, Christelle Lepers, Leias Obed, Gano Mwareow, Helen Murdoch

## Lifestyle diseases

Lifestyle diseases are a public health issue in Palau – IA7 – 2000  
Caleb Otto

## Meetings

First regional conference on HIV/AIDS and STD – IA4 – 1999

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Infectious disease – the theme of the SPC Conference – IA16 – 2003

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Outcomes from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Conference of the Pacific Community – IA17 – 2004

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Narendra Singh

Pacific Health Summit for Sustainable Disaster Risk Management – IA18 – 2004

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Narendra Singh

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Tom Kiedrzynski

1<sup>st</sup> PIPS Workshop – Noumea, New Caledonia, May 2005 – IA21 – 2005

TAG 15 Meeting – Beijing, China, June 2005 – IA21 – 2005  
Richard Duncan

Second HIV Surveillance Workshop — Nadi, Fiji, 1–5 August 2005 – IA21 – 2005  
Tim Sladden

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Narendra Singh

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Robert L. Haddock, James P. Last

**The Pacific Emergency Health Initiative (PEHI) – IA17 – 2004**  
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Tony Stewart

### NCD Surveillance

**NCD Surveillance within the planning and operations of the PPHSN – IA15 – 2003**

Jan Pryor, Maximilian de Courten, Rob Condon

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John Heydon, Narendra Singh

### Sensitivity of isolated germs

**Resistance to the main germs responsible for infections isolated at the Louis Malardé Institute's Clinical Laboratory (2003) – IA18 – 2004**  
Cyril Coudert, Frédéric Beau

### Surveillance during events

**Surveillance Experience - South Pacific Games - Fiji Islands 2003 – IA15 – 2003**  
Salanieta Saketa

**Palau Ministry of Health Surveillance Experience/Strategy during the 9<sup>th</sup> Festival of Pacific Arts – IA19 – 2004**  
Julie A. Erb-Alvarez, Stevenson Kuartei, Paul Heiderschiedt

### Surveillance & response systems

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Narendra Singh

**EpiSurv7 - A web-based, user friendly, public health surveillance system – IA 26 – 2007**  
Bruce Adlam

**Setting up an early warning and response system for outbreak-prone diseases in a post-tsunami situation, Western and Choiseul provinces, Solomon Islands – IA 28 – 2008**  
Tom Kiedrzynski, Narendra Singh, Christelle Lepers

### Telehealth & distance education

**Past experience and future hopes for telehealth in Tokelau – IA3 – 1999**  
Peter Adam

**PBMA: An association for the development of the indigenous physician workforce – IA3 – 1999**  
Gregory Dever

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**Distance education in the Pacific: Towards a regional curriculum? – IA3 – 1999**

**Distance medical consultation in the Pacific – IA3 – 1999**

**ICT and distance education for Pacific Islands health workers – IA10 – 2001**  
Tom Kiedrzynski, Christelle Lepers

**The Flexible Learning and Telehealth Unit at the Fiji School of Medicine – IA11 – 2002**  
Rodney Yee

### Training

**First workshop on public health surveillance and Epi Info in Noumea – IA1 – 1998**

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**A training workshop on epidemic control – IA6 – 2000**

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**Training in EpiInfo 6 in Palau – IA13 – 2002**

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Narendra Singh

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Narendra Singh

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Towards a Pacific public health laboratory network – IA6 – 2000

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Mina Vilayleck

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LabNet origins in PPHSN background – IA16 – 2003

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LabNet progress in the North Pacific – IA17 – 2004  
Michael J. O’Leary

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Greg Smith

Developing LabNet in the US Pacific – IA20 – 2005  
Vasiti Uluiviti

LabNet 2004 annual activity report from New Caledonia Pasteur Institute – IA20 – 2005  
Alain Berlioz-Arthaud

Enhancing the role of LabNet in the Pacific region – IA23 – 2006

Albert Gurusamy and Melissa Pontré

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**The PPHSN and PacNet: the Pacific Islands tuned to the 21<sup>st</sup> century – IA3 – 1999**

Yvan Souares

**Epidemics early warning and response: PACNET and further PPHSN services – IA6 – 2000**

**An in-depth look at PACNET, the discussion list of the PPHSN – IA9 – 2001**

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**Already 10 years – or only 10 years? – IA25 – 2006**

Tom Kiedrzynski

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## INFORM'ACTION FORUM

We have created a forum on the new SPC website mentioned on page 9 to facilitate discussion about Inform'ACTION articles as recommended by PPHSN Coordinating Body members (see article on page 22 of the present bulletin). We hope this new tool will encourage more PPHSN members to consult and contribute to the bulletin.

To access the forum, you must click (1) on Publications, (2) on Discussions, then you have to register.

**Public Health Programme**  
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**Publications**

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**Inform'ACTION**



Inform'Action, the information bulletin of the PPHSN, is published by the section three times each year. Articles (typically written by health professionals from the region) address public health surveillance and communicable disease control. Hard copies of *Inform'ACTION* are sent to all Ministries and Departments of Health of the Pacific Island countries and territories, including all EpiNet teams (or equivalent), PacNet members and to PPHSN allied bodies.

**PROJECTS**

- PREPARE
- PRIPPP
- Lab-based Influenza Surv.

**PPHSN**

**Other publications produced by the section include:**



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**PHS Forums**

Welcome, Guest

Username  Password

Lost Password?  
No account yet? Register

**Inform'ACTION**

The aim of this forum is to discuss *Inform'ACTION* bulletin. The idea of creating a "chat room" or forum for *Inform'ACTION* arose at the last PPHSN Coordinating Body meeting, held in April 2008. CB members thought that this may encourage more PPHSN members to read and contribute to the bulletin. PPHSN members are therefore most welcome to contribute to this forum!

Forum	Topics	Replies	Last Post	
<b>Inform'ACTION Review</b>	This section is addressed to <i>Inform'ACTION</i> readers. In the last issue (#29), we have included a questionnaire to collect feedback. We thought some people might prefer to send their comments through this forum.	1	0	<b>test</b> by Patrick Rehmann   08/09/2008 21:10

**Recent Posts**

Topic	Author	Categories	Date	Hits
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# Inform'ACTION Questionnaire



An electronic version of this questionnaire is accessible on line through the PPHSN website ([www.spc.int/phs/PPHSN](http://www.spc.int/phs/PPHSN)) and also through SPC's PHS&CDC Section's new website ([www.spc.int/phs](http://www.spc.int/phs)).

NAME / NOM : \_\_\_\_\_

GENDER / SEXE :  Male/Masculin  Female/Féminin

JOB TITLE/ POSTE : \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTRY / PAYS : \_\_\_\_\_

## DISTRIBUTION

1. Since when have you received Inform'ACTION (IA)?

Year: IA number:

2. Did you receive the last three issues of Inform'ACTION (26, 27 & 28)?

All  Some  None

3. Did you receive the bulletin...

directly from SPC?

from your library?

from a colleague?

4. After you read the bulletin, do you...

archive or shelf it?

give it to your library?

circulate it in your service (to how many readers approximately \_\_\_\_)?

other \_\_\_\_\_

## DIFFUSION

1. Depuis quand recevez-vous Inform'ACTION (IA)?

Année : Numéro d'IA :

2. Avez-vous reçu les 3 derniers numéros d'Inform'ACTION (26, 27 & 28) ?

Tous  Quelques-uns  Aucun

3. Vous recevez le bulletin ...

directement de la CPS ?

par le service de documentation ?

par un collègue ?

4. Après avoir lu le bulletin ...

vous l'archivez ou le classez ?

vous le transmettez à la bibliothèque ?

vous le faites circuler (nombre approximatif de lecteurs : \_\_\_\_ ) ?

autre : \_\_\_\_\_

## CONTENT

5. Do you find the articles interesting?

Yes, in general

Sometimes

Rarely

6. Do you use the information published in your work?

Yes

No

7. Do you like to see included some PacNet messages on a topic that has been intensively discussed by e-mail?

Yes  No

8. Which topics would you like to see discussed in the bulletin?

## CONTENU

5. Trouvez-vous les articles intéressants ?

Oui, en général

Quelquefois

Rarement

6. Avez-vous déjà utilisé les informations publiées dans votre travail ?

Oui

Non

7. Appréciez-vous d'y voir inclus des messages de PacNet, sur un sujet ayant donné lieu à de nombreuses discussions par mél ?

Oui  Non

8. Quels sujets souhaiteriez-vous voir traiter dans le bulletin ?

**FORMAT**

9. The length of the articles is

- too short
- too long
- right length

10. The size of the font is too small

- Yes
- No

11. Does the fact that the pages are bilingual disturb you while reading?

- Yes
- No

12. *Inform'ACTION* is also available on the Internet. Have you ever consulted the electronic version?

- Yes
- No

If not, why not (e.g. no Internet access)?

13. Are you still interested in receiving a hard copy of the bulletin?

- Yes
- No

14. Would you like to change anything in the format?

- Yes
- No

If yes, what?

15. Do you like the new colours (green and black)?

- Yes
- No

**FORMAT**

9. *Vous trouvez les articles*

- trop courts
- trop longs
- de longueur correcte

10. *La taille des caractères est trop petite*

- Oui
- Non

11. *Le fait que les pages soient bilingues (anglais/français) gène-t-il votre lecture ?*

- Oui
- Non

12. *Inform'ACTION est également publié sur internet. Avez-vous déjà consulté les versions électroniques ?*

- Oui
- Non

*Si non, pourquoi (ex. pas d'accès internet) ?*

13. *Souhaitez-vous toujours recevoir la version imprimée ?*

- Oui
- Non

14. *Souhaiteriez-vous changer quelque chose dans le format d'Inform'ACTION ?*

- Oui
- Non

*Si oui, quoi ?*

15. *Appréciez-vous les nouvelles couleurs (noir et vert) ?*

- Oui
- Non

16. Would you be willing to contribute to the bulletin? If yes, when and on what topic(s)? / Accepteriez-vous de contribuer à ce bulletin ? Si oui, éventuellement quand et sur quel thème ?

17. Other comments / Autres commentaires

THANK YOU VERY MUCH! / MERCI BEAUCOUP!

