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STREAM 1: National Strategic Plan Support Grants

Summary Level

RF stream	Country/ Project	Narrative	Documents
RF stream Stream 1: National Plan Sup Grants	Project : RF Strategic	The NSP Support Grants are coordinated by the respective Ministry/Departments of Health in the 14 PICs. Its key purpose is to support the implementation of the NSP with a focus to HIV/STI priority activities at national level. This allocation is one of the main sources of funding for HIV/STI activities that are carried out by the Ministry/Department of Health. Within this allocation, some countries have also apportioned funds to other line ministries and outsourced to civil society partners. Noting that many PICs access more than one source of funding to support their NSPs, the work-plans developed under this allocation took into consideration where funding gaps were most critical and not already (or not sufficiently) supported by other funding sources. This was also to ensure a reduction in the duplication of funding support for similar activities and to ensure greater equitable distribution of resources across the national response. Some progress has been made through this allocation to facilitate a whole of health approach in supporting national coordination of the HIV/STI response, direct implementation of prevention, care and stigma reduction activities through provincial health outposts, national rollout of the Stepping Stones programme, support continued capacity development of national HIV/STI Core teams, review and update national strategic plans for HIV/STIs, and the development of monitoring and evaluation frameworks. In some countries, this allocation has provided support to hire needed programme management and technical staff to carry out and support HIV/STI activity implementation and monitoring. Noting that many PICTs access a variety of funding sources to support the implementation of their HIV/STI NSPs, the work-plans and budgets developed under this allocation took into consideration critical gaps in funding support for	Documents

Financial Data Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$4,245,000.00

Disbursements		Total Acquittals	
Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	to 31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative
\$672,318	\$429,347	\$157,745	Total of 11 out of 14 PICTs have now accessed this stream of funding, with 6 of the 14 coming on board during 2010 for the first time. Disbursement in this stream has been very slow as the stream is directly disbursed to SRs through countries. Ministry of Finance and then re-directed to the MOH. Some of the issues to be highlighted in this stream are that fund transferred to some countries through their ministry of Finance are in the government account for almost 6 to months before the MOH could access the funds. These are due mainly to internal processes within the countries.
			The burn rate which is the total expended by SRs divided by the total disbursed reflected for this stream is 23%. The reflects the slow absorption and the delay by countries to access funds in –country. Consequently the acquittal report received by the countries are also affected. Secondly, for the July-Dec 2010 report, this is actually received in 2011, thereby equating to a 6-month period for 99% of the SRs which is not reflected in the acquitt expenditures for 2010. This applies to all the streams under

	the RF. Hence, burn rates noted, may appear artificially lower than in actuality (i.e. reflecting Jan-Dec period).
	There was a 76% increase in this period in the amounts disbursed to the SRs when compared to the 2009 period. This reflects an increase in the new SRs accessing their grants in under Stream 1. Total funds acquitted increased from \$157 to \$157,618 when comparing 2010 from 2009 figures.

Individual Grant Level

Fiji Ministry of Health	General Comments
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Fiji's MOH finalised the Stream 1 NSP Support Grant costed work plan last quarter of 2009. A total of FJD\$304,403 was disbursed in first quarter of 2010 for the period Jan – Jun 2010. Planned Activity implementation focussed on prevention, clinical and monitoring & evaluation priorities. To date, the MOH has not submitted both narrative and financial report. Although many communication follow up has been undertaken and several face to face meeting was also held both at the Ministry as well as SPC offices.

MOH and PC&SS collaborated very well in 2010 in establishing the Stream 2 – CDO Grant programme and Stream 3 – Community Action Grant programme.

Programmatic Achievements/Highlights

No reports submitted to date. Several meetings have been undertaken as well as follow up communication regarding submission of outstanding reports. An unofficial draft report has been submitted. Data cannot be reported for this 2010 Annual report due to no submission of official report from Ministry of Health Fiji. GMU has been advised that reports will be submitted first quarter of 2011.

Challenges

The HIV Project Officer departed in April 2010 and an officer at the Ministry was Acting on the position as well as coordinating her other MOH designated role. The new HIV Project Officer was recruited in January 2011. Due to these changes, a lot of time was spent in building capacity of staff who assumed the role.

Financial Data
Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$750,000.00

Disb Cumulative	ursements FY 2010	Total Acquittals to 31 Dec 2010	Financial Narrative
(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)	
\$172,140	\$172,140	-	Fiji has been disbursed 23% of its total grant value. Funds were transferred in April 2010 and the MOH did not access the funds until 5 months later due to internal processes within Fiji. No acquittal has been received and follow ups have been done by the GMU team. Changes in project personnel in the MOH also attributed to the delay in accessing funds for the MOH.

HIV &STI Epidemiological Situation

HIV Tests Conducted = 260 (based on Mataika House Lab only)

Total Patient on ART = 40 (33 in central/eastern division and 7 in western division)

Chlamydia Tests Conducted =1562

CT & GC testing in Fiji is yet to achieve its ultimate goal. With the initial goal of providing diagnostic testing to cover important population in the community, this is yet to be realized. Testing is currently been offered to the Reproductive Health Clinic in Suva with a total sample of 1, 570 received during the reporting period. 8 samples were rejected and 1,

562 were tested during the reporting period. 272 samples have CT and GC co- infection, 221 have CT only and 330 have GC only and 16 samples have an indeterminate result. Overall CT prevalence among samples tested is 31% and GC prevalence of 38%. 17% of these patients have CT and GC co-infection.

Prevalence of infection by gender shows that in females there were 189(34%) CT, 122(22%) GC and 83(15%) of these samples had CT and GC co-infection. Prevalence in males shows 304(30%) had CT, 480(48%) had GC and 189(19%) had CT and GC co-infection. Prevalence by ethnicity shows that Fijians have 393 (38%) CT and 480 (46%) GC. 228 (22%) of these samples had CTGC co-infection. Indians have 62 (17%) CT and 83 (22%) GC. 30 (8%) had CTGC co-infection. Other ethnic groups have 38 (25%) CT, 31 (20%) GC and 14 (9%) of these samples have CTGC co-infection.

HIV &STI Epidemiological Situation

HIV Tests Conducted = 798

Total Patient on ART = 0

Chlamydia Tests Conducted =807

F	STI Gonorrhoea		Gonorrhoea Chlamydia			Syphilis		HIV		Trichomonas						
		Total tests	Detected	%	Total tests	Detected	%	Total tests	Detected	%	Total tests	Confirmed	%	Total tests	Detected	%
	Total male + female	807	77	10%	807	138	17%	716	0	0%	798	0	0%	0	0	0%

Stream 2: Capacity Development Organisation

Summary Level

Stream 2: Capacity Development Organisation

Summary:

The RF Stream 2 CDO Grant programme is the catalyst for broader NGO engagement in the national HIV & STI response. It continues to include and involve an increasing number of non-traditional health, as well as HIV-specific NGOs in its capacity development programs, and through the RF Stream III Community Action Grants managed directly by the CDO. The CDO Programme Coordinator is a key and influential partner in the national response working alongside the Ministry/Department of Health and respective national AIDS committees in coordinating, planning, implementing and reporting on the national response irrespective of funding.

Financial Data

Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$1,500,000.00

Disb	Disbursements		
Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	to 31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative
\$384,561	\$326,577	\$183,570	The total value of this stream being disbursed to countries is about 26% and the total acquitted is about 48%. 10 PICs have benefited from this stream. Five out of the 10 of the PICs were new projects that accessed their funds in 2010, and which reflects 50% of the new PICs accessing funds. A total percentage increase in disbursement of

funds resulted in a 463% increase in 2010 when compared to 2009 figures. In the 2009 period, the amount disbursed was AUD\$57,984 and in 2010 the amount was \$326,577. This is attributed to the increase in numbers of SRs accessing their grants from 2009 to 2010

Total funds acquitted increased from \$30 to \$183,540 in 2010 and this is due to funds being disbursed in 2009 being reported in 2010.

The acquittal report level is higher in this stream as all of those accessing funds are civil society organizations (and hence are often not hampered by burdensome bureaucratic processes). 80% of the PICs that access this funding have started while 20% are yet to commence. Current RF guidelines require the CDOs to be hosted by a local NGO, but some countries wish to have their CDOs to be hosted by their MOH, so there is better coordination and monitoring of the activities in country. The SPC GMU notified these PICs to submit a concept paper to the PRFC for consideration and approval. One of the countries is yet to make a decision as to which NGO would best would carry out this role. So one of the issues confronted by the PICs is the limited capacity and man-power in-country to carry out such roles.

Individual Grant Level

Fiji Pacific Counseling Services (PC&SS)	General Comments Pacific Counselling and Social Services (PC&SS) began its CDO operations in the first quarter of 2010.	
	Programmatic Achievements/Highlights	
	 Successful completion of 3 HIV Counselling & Testing Practitioners based Essential Standard training for health care workers in Central /Eastern, Western and Northern division. A total of 41 participants from the 3 divisions included health care workers from both government and civil society Undertook 2 RF CAG Call for Proposal submissions. A total of 5 out of 10 applications received are approved from the first CAG proposal call, while the second call is yet to be finalised Completed 1 Project Design Management (PDM) Training. 15 participants who submitted CAG Grant proposals completed the PDM Training. Participated in the Regional CDO/NAC meeting to discuss issues and progress of programme implementation Capacity building of the CAG grant partners undertaken face to face Networked with other partners to coordinate national priorities activity implementation, such as the Stepping Stones programme and Workplace Development programme Undertook 6 coordination meetings with the MOH 16 VCCT sites were reviewed. Of these, 6 were in the Western Division, 4 in the Northern Division and 6 in the Central/Eastern division. 3 of the 16 VCCT sites met essential standard assessments. These include 33% (2 out of 6 sites in the Western Division) and 25% (1 out of 4 sites in the Northern Division) and 0% in the Central/Eastern Division met essential standard. Recommendations for improvement of the sites to meet essential standards were made and conveyed by PC&SS to the site operators 	

Challenges

The main issue it the finalising of the Standard Operating Procedures for the RF CAG Grants Most Significant Change Story from participants who attended the Basic Counselling Skills for Work in HIV and Other STIs Field Training workshop.

Financial Data

Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$150,000.00

Disburse	Disbursements		,
Cumulative	FY 2010	31 Dec 2010	Financial Narrative
(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)	
\$18,988	\$18,988	\$9,531	This is one of the SRs that had accessed this funding in 2010 for the first time. 13%, or \$18988, of the total grant value has been disbursed. 50%, or \$9531, has been acquitted. Reporting is usually on time but incomplete documentation has caused some delay in finalizing their acquittal reports. The SPC GMU also experienced some difficulties in the number of fees this organization claimed from the project which became challenging at times to resolve. 62%, or \$5929, of the acquitted amount was utilized for the payment of staff PC&SS involved in the project. 17%, or \$1605, was attributed to training activities, while the remaining percentage was attributed to operating cost, capital cost and travel expenses.

Stream 3: Community Action Grants

Summary Level:

Stream 3

Community Action grants administered through the CDO in - Country

Summary:

The Community Action Grants (CAG) is tailored specifically for community-based groups in the PICs. The grant promotes capacity building of small community groups with basic programme and financial systems, using the grant as an opportunity to improve these, and supporting organisations prepare themselves in such a way as to qualify for these small grants. It also allows for HIV & STI issues to be integrated into a range of other community-level interventions and development initiatives. The grant is a stepping stone for community groups to invest in their systems, gain experience with managing small grants and progress towards bidding and managing bigger grants.

Most SRs have not yet started their RF CAG projects with the exception of Vanuatu CAG SRs. In those countries where a CDO has been selected, they are currently in the process of finalising proposals from the communities to be endorsed by their respective National Aids Committees/National Coordinating Committees.

Financial Data

Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$1,410,000.00

Disbursements		Total Acquittals to			
Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative		
\$71,178	\$71,178	\$37,957	A total of 14 PICs access this funding for Community Action Grants. This stream showed a 100% increase from 2009. These funds are to be disbursed through the CDO who will hold these funds in a		

Separate Trust Account for disbursing	
once the NAC/NCM has approved	
projects to be funded. The CDO's role	
is to call for proposals from the	
community and assess them with criteria	
already being set with NAC/NCM for	
eligibility. This stream has a wide	
coverage in all levels for the community.	
Some of the criteria may also include	
gender and equality considerations, to	
name a few.	
The GMU will only disburse funds to the	
CDO once SPC receives an approved list	
of proposals being endorsed by the	
NAC/NCM in partnership with the MOH	
in country.	
After this, the CDO's role is also to	
compile and consolidate the reports from	
the CAG recipients and then forward	
these to GMU for reviewing.	
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Individual Grants Level

Fiji	Pacific Counseling Services (PC&SS)	General Comments PC&SS had established the Stream 3 Grant programme. It took a while to establish the Grant Trust Account as a lot of documentation was needed by the Bank, and for NACA to determine the signatories to the account.				
		The first round of Call for Proposal submission was made in 2010. A total of 10 proposals were received which mostly reflected prevention-related projects. Funding is yet to be released as of December 2010.				
		Programmatic Achievements/Highlights • 5 proposals endorsed by NACA Challenges				
		Financial Data Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$180,000.00				
		Disburs		Total Acquittals to		
		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative	
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Stream 4: Competitive Grants

Summary Level

Stream 4 Competitive Grants

Summary:

There are 45 Competitive Grant (CG) projects supporting 35 organisations in the implementation of innovative prevention, education, care and support activities. These organizations include local and regional NGOs, local government agencies and other community-based civil society organizations. Of these, 20 projects are implemented by 10 organisations that have 2 projects each. Those currently accessing Stream 4 are national NGOs (e.g. Wan Smolbag Theatre, Fiji Network of Positive People, Youth to Youth in Health, MenFiji, etc.), whilst others include affiliates of international NGOs like Save the Children, Red Cross, Burnett Institute and the International Planned Parenthood Association, or other government agencies (i.e. Pohnpei State HIV and STI Programme). These projects tend to have more specific target groups or activities such as social research and working with specific risk groups such as sex workers, men who have sex with men and seafarers. One project was completed in December 2010 (Yap Oceania Community Health), and will be evaluated in 2011.

Strategies funded this stream tend to be wide-ranging and are often based on innovative approaches (i.e. Red Ribbon Club for Children in 4 Honiara settlements, income-generation projects for sex workers in Fiji, drama and infotainment in Tonga and Fiji, and Stepping Stones roll out in Federated States of Micronesia, Solomon Islands and Fiji, etc.). Marie Stopes International Pacific projects were terminated in December 2010 due to a closure of its Pacific operations. 11 projects had not commenced in 2010 due to lack of capacity and human resource among other things. The GMU is continuing to work with the respective organisations to progress these projects, and explore avenues through capacity building and technical support to mediate these. As a last resort, and in line with the GMU Performance-based Grant Management Policies, the option of termination of the grant has been made known to the SRs. This was enforced by the GMU in 2010.

Financial Data Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$4,627,000.00

Disb	ursements	Total	TO LINT (
Cumulative	FY 2010	Acquittals to 31	Financial Narrative

(A	AUD\$)	(AUD\$)	Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	
\$1,	,342,414	\$899,178	\$524,988	A total of 45 projects were under this stream in 2010. Some PICs have about 10 projects. This stream was the first of the RF streams to be accessed by the SRs as it consisted of more projects in comparison to all the other streams. This stream showed a percentage increase of 103% in the amount disbursed in 2010 when compared to 2009 figures. In the 2009 period, \$443,236 was disbursed, while in 2010, \$899,178 was disbursed. Total funds acquitted increased from \$118 in 2009 to \$333,540 in 2010. This reflects 76% of funds transferred in 2009 and acquitted in 2010 19 out of the 45 were new SRs that accessed their funding in 2010. 11 out of the 45 remaining SRs will access their funding in 2011. One of the grants has been terminated due to organization ceasing operations in the Pacific.

Individual Grant Details

		General Commen	ts			
Fiji	Fiji Network for Positive People (FJN+) (RFJFNP02)	This project's main focus is to conduct a survey to assess the ability of key populations to access to appropriate HIV/STI testing and treatment services. Project target groups included street kids and young people. The report for this project has yet to be finalised and is due in June 2011.				
		Programmatic Acl	nievements/Highlig	ghts		
		 Conducted a survey to assess the level of access to HUB Centre Services for HIV/STI testing and treatment. The research project was able to attract a total of 32 research participants from Suva, Lautoka and Labasa. 				
	Challenges					
		difficulties		aintaining Patient Intervi	UB Centre in Labasa resulted in coordination iews and Record Reviews for the purpose of	
				Financial Data		
				me Grant Commitment	t – AUD\$50,000.00	
		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Total Acquittals to 31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative	
		\$37,698	\$0	\$23,250	A total of 75% has been disbursed out of total grant value of \$50,000. No funds have been acquitted in the 2010 period. The issue	

		carrying out follow up actions. 44%, or \$9063, of the acquitted amount relates to personnel costs. 22% is attributed to payments for publications, while 11% is attributed to training costs. 13% is attributed to capital costs and the remaining 10% was for operating expenses such as rent and utilities.
Fiji	Fiji Network for Positive People (FJN+) (RFJFNP03)	General Comments This grant is solely to support the institutional strengthening of FJN+ in terms of core funding addressing staff salaries (approved by AusAID as a continuation of prior PRHP support). All activity costs are supported by other grants (including other RF streams). Programmatic Achievements/Highlights • World AIDS Day Pre-Launching conducted • World Testing Day Roadshow conducted promoting Voluntary Testing and Prevention of Parent to Child Transmission of HIV around Vitilevu from 5th to 11th July 2010. Villages visited were Veinuqa in Tailevu, Naibita Village in Wainibuka, Tavualevu, Wyndham Hotel at Denarau, the Sheraton Hotel, Sabeto Village, Namatakula in Sigatoka, and Vunibau Village in Deuba. • AIDS Ambassadors Participation in the events • Road Shows conducted where the Fiji Network for People Living with HIV & AIDS organized a road show with the theme to promote voluntary HIV testing and Prevention of Parent to Child Transmission HIV Campaign. The 6-day road show targeted young people particularly at child bearing age from 18yrs – 40yrs.
		Advocacy Training was conducted in August, 2010 for 11 PLHIV. It had two major components,

including *Training of Trainers* and the development of an *Advocacy Strategic Plan* for the next five years.

- Stepping Stones and Life Skills Training conducted. The combination of the two programmes was designed to enable people to explore the huge range of issues which affect their sexual health-including gender roles, money, alcohol use, traditional practices, attitudes to sex, attitudes to death, and their own personalities. During FJN+ participation in HIV awareness or event at any community the two programmes are been combined to allow participant to participate and open up with HIV issues. This has significantly increased their knowledge on HIV and AIDS and strengthens their ability to cope with daily challenges.
- A four-week Stepping Stone Training Workshop was held from 6.9.10 to 28.9.10 at Matata Settlement, Lami organized by FJN+. The training was initiated by Foundation of the South Pacific International (FSPI), funded by Ministry of Health (NACA) and implemented by FJN+. The workshop had been effective in generating sustainable effective behaviour change in many communities. It helped the community members to develop a greater social capital in relation to the issues that make the community vulnerable to HIV. The training was designed to allow women, men and young people to address their relationships in a constructive, fair and equitable way. People who went through the training would be able to explore their social, sexual and psychological needs, to analyse the communication blocks they faced and to practice different

Challenges

- To transfer the skills and knowledge into practice with the limited resources available for PLHIV advocacy work
- Translating the advocacy strategic plan in vernacular to other members that does not understand and speak English

	I	Financial	Data	
Total Lifeti	me Gran	t Commi	tment	- AUD\$130,000.00

Disbursements Total Acquittals to 31 Financial Narrative

		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Dec 2010 (AUD\$)				
		\$20,792	\$20,792	\$0	first time in period, hence	accessed their fundi the second half of the no acquittal rep this reporting period.	f the 2010 ports were	
Con and Ser	bunseling d Social ervices t	est counseling t	nder PC&SS' VCCT I	Programme at CWM Hotal mothers and their pon.			-	
	I	 Programmatic Achievements/Highlights Gradual improvement in the integration of counselling services into the routine ante-natal process that aims at minimizing the risk of parent to child transmission (PPTCT) of HIV. Pre and post test counselling is conducted on a daily basis to expectant mothers and their partners who have been referred from the nurses or approached by PC&SS counsellors, daily counselling numbers were given to ante-natal staff to compare against numbers booked and were able to identify numbers of mothers who had missed out. 					artners who	
	J	Jan – June 2010	period stats	July	– Dec 2010 perio	od Stats		
			of 451 completed		ost Test Total of			
		Age group	M		lge group	M	F	
	-	15 – 25	66		5 – 25	2	232	
	-	26 – 35	0		26 – 35	66	132	
		36 – 55	14	21 3	6 – 55	0	24	

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- A total of 538 pre-test sessions for women were conducted during this reporting period (*This number omits those who did not yet return for their post-test counselling before the end of 2010*). 49% of this total are between the age group of 15-25 years. 92% of the total gave their written informed consent to be tested. 33% of those giving their consent have had a HIV test in their previous pregnancy. Fijians made up the larger percentage (74%) of those counselled, due to the larger population proportion. A total of 1005 pre test sessions was conducted for the period January to June and was not reported earlier due to the delay in receiving post test results.
- Slight improvement in the referral system from the nursing staff was evident when on a couple of weeks 100% referrals were achieved. Change of nursing staff often contributed to the drop in sustaining this trend. Discussions to maintain 100% referral is on-going.
- Positive response from males/spouses to the Men's Programme was evident in slight increase in numbers of males pretested for HIV/STI and the increase in males accessing condoms and lubricants at ANC.
- The specialized men's programme at the CWM hospital has progressed on despite the challenges faced. A total of 92 expectant fathers were pre-tested at CWM during this period compared to the 159 for the last reporting period. The decrease is attributed to the fluctuating number of men that often accompany their partners to the clinic. 53% of the men seen during this period were within the age group of 15-25 years of age, inadvertently capturing a significant proportion of a high risk group for contracting and transmitting HIV/STIs (i.e. sexually active young people).
- In 2010, a total of 251 men attended HIV counselling at the ANC, of which 31% (n=79) gave their written informed consent to be tested for HIV. Fijians made up a greater proportion of male clients. Compared with women more men reported being currently sexually active (75% as opposed to 58%), and reported a greater number of current sexual partners, with only 85% indicating they had only a single sexual partner (compared with 98% of women).

- More men than women reported ever using a condom (61% versus 42%). However, only 60% of these men reported using a condom with their regular partner.
- Internal evaluation of the Men's programme was conducted in June to enable PC&SS to learn more about the men's experiences with the programme. A total of 48 interview forms were reviewed and the data collected summarised.
- HIV Presentation was delivered at the antenatal clinic waiting room to a total of 3383 females and 325 males.
- 68% (n=172) declined the HIV test 32% (n=55) reported they would consider testing later. Some other reasons reported for declining the test are recently tested, busy with baby or simply choose not to give a reason.

COMMODITIES DISTRIBUTION – 2010				
Nausori Maternity		Jan - Jun	Jul - Dec	Total
Male		2164	3766	5930
Female		443	508	951
Lubricant		875	253	1128
Dissemination of IEC Materials				
		Jan - Jun	Jul - Dec	Total
	English	499	604	1103
HIV Brochure	Fijian	492	699	1191
niv brochure	Hindi	145	97	242
	Total	1136	1400	2536
STI Brochure	English	0	173	173
		Jan - Jun	Jul-Dec	Total
Number of HIV Presentation		20	29	49
Head Count		580	756	1336

Challenges

- Low number of mothers receiving their results due to mothers default in clinic attendances or transferred to other sites. Others are due to nursing staff oversight.
- Need for more awareness of the services provided with the Men's Programme in ANC amongst spouses/husbands
- Not enough regular supply of breastfeeding pamphlets as this is a very good tool for pregnant mothers, especially first-time mums

Financial Data
Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$150,000.00

Disburs	sements	Total Acquittals to 31	
Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative
\$58,987	\$34,515	\$33,709	A total of 39% has been disbursed of the grant value. Acquittal reports were receive on time but incomplete. The challenge note in PC&SS reports was the many fees bein charged for services provided in-house be PC&SS but requiring clarity to ensure there is transparency on charges incurred an whether they were relevant to the project. 95%, or \$32161, is attributed to personned costs for PC&SS staff involved in the project. The other 5 % is attributed to the operating/capital costs.

Fiji	Pacific Counseling and Social Services (RFJPCS04)	General Comments The Sekoula project aims to target sex workers in the Western Division to improve sex workers' knowledge on HIV/STIs including other sexual health information, and have improved access to sexual health commodities such as condoms.					
		 Programmatic Achievements/Highlights Conducted on-going support group and/or sessions at the drop-in centre Distributed condoms and other information materials available at the drop-in centre Worked with sex workers to build their capacity in project management Challenges Need to re-programme prevention outreach services due to the HIV Decree that had specific clauses about engagement of sex work, and which did not create an enabling environment for sex workers, and which could potentially jeopardise the legality of the prevention work with sex workers 					
			Total Life	Financial Data time Grant Commitment	- AUD\$140,000.00		
		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Total Acquittals to 31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$) \$0	Financial Narrative		
Fiji	Fiji Amateur Sports Association	General Comm	ents	<u> </u>			
	and National Olympic	Programmatic A	Programmatic Achievements/Highlights				

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- STOP HIV developed a Community Coach Curriculum by combining with the Oceania Sports Education Program (OSEP) Curriculum with the Kicking AIDS Out Peer Leaders Training programme. This curriculum was piloted in Fiji from the 15th to the 19th of February 2010 where 9 young coaches from various sports acquired the life skills training that will be utilized in coaching clinics in schools and communities for disseminating messages on prevention of HIV through sports. OSEP had previously trained 36 community coaches and peer leaders in 2009, and increased to 45 in 2010.
- 7 STOP HIV Champions were recruited for 2010, and underwent a comprehensive 3-day training for from the 12th to 14th of March 2010 held at the Club Coral Coast. The main aim of the training was to introduce the champions to the programme and equip them with basic HIV and AIDS knowledge. Along with the seven new recruited STOP HIV Champions, three 2009 Champions extended their term for a further 6 months into 2010. By the end of 2010, STOP HIV Programme trained 22 STOP HIV Champions.
- STOP HIV Team was invited to take part in the inaugural Pacific Youth and Sports Conference organized by the Oceania Football Confederation in the New Zealand from 15- 20 March, 2010. A team of STOP HIV Champions from Fiji and Vanuatu were selected to facilitate sessions throughout the week and raised awareness and knowledge amongst the youth in the region. The main objectives of this conference was to enable the team of STOP HIV Champion to increase the knowledge amongst the youth of the Pacific on HIV/STIs, and how other countries could encourage their NOC to start STOP HIV in their respective countries and to promote the programme's key message: "Be A Leader, Promote Sports, Prevent HIV". They reached out to more than 200 youth from 14 countries. The Fiji Delegation was awarded with USD 20,000.00 from the OFC to deliver the STOP HIV programme to the Fiji football teams in 2011.
- FASANOC STOP HIV National Coordinator and STOP HIV Regional Manager attended a three-day training held at the Studio 6 Conference Room between the 26th, 27th and the 29th of April 2010 on HIV/AIDS Policy in the Workplace. This were jointly organized by the MOH and the Ministry of Labor Industrial Relation and Employment, together with their regional partners, the International

Labor Organization, Red Cross and UNAIDS. This training targeted government and NGOs that advocate on HIV and AIDS in the workplace. FASANOC, as the driver of the STOP HIV Programme nationally, began the process of developing its own HIV/AIDS Policy in the Workplace, and which will be passed down to all the 40 National Federations affiliated to FASANOC by the end of 2011.

- The STOP HIV Project Team, namely the FASANOC Chief Executive Officer, and the National Programme Coordinator joined the Regional Manager for the STOP HIV at the Studio Six Conference for a half-day training workshop on the M&E Framework on the 11th of June, 2010. This workshop was organized by SPC RF Team based in Suva, as part of the agenda for the Annual Meeting of the CDO/NAC. The session covered identification of various key reporting data and identification of areas that need attention to ensure all work plans are finalized, refined and consolidated. All recipients for the RF were invited to this last session and engaged in generated discussions and highlighted on the MSC aspect of the evaluations.
- Completed 15 Safe Games & Sports Outreach events in 2010. This included the Easter Weekend Games, National Volleyball Trials, Nasinu and Suva Netball Knockout Tournament, 2010 Fiji Secondary Schools Athletics 2010 Coke Games, 2010 Pacific Rugby Cup, Fiji Games 2010, Marist Eastgate Memorial Tournament, Inter- District Championship Soccer, National Trials- Swimming, Fiji Secondary School Basketball Championship, Inter-District Championship Netball, and the Fiji Secondary School Hockey Championship.
- Conducted three Basic STOP HIV 101 sessions with Elite Athletes. This included the Athletic Training Squad Session, 2010 Oceania Weightlifting Championship (OWC) Fiji Team Session, and evening team sessions with the Pacific Team who participated in the Pacific Rugby Cup Series.
- Strengthened of STOP HIV Governance Structure

Challenges

• Managing STOP HIV Champions/Volunteers who need constant coaching irrespective of their gender,

		Outreach T Sessions. T times were	his was due to the long Total Life t	long distances, and espectact that the team campin Financial Data time Grant Commitmen	
		Disburs Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Total Acquittals to 31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative
		\$59,822	\$35,739	\$33,087	FASANOC was disbursed 48% of the total grant value and the acquittal funds acquitted was about 39%. Reporting was on time with well-organized supporting documents. 30%, or \$9833, of the acquitted amount is attributed to payment of personnel costs coordinating the activities. 28%, or \$9355, related to transportation costs. 17%, or \$5,519, was for training costs. 7%, or \$2383, was for communication costs, and the remaining 8%, or \$2525, was for payment of flyers or pamphlets used for the STOP HIV campaign.
₹iji	Youth Inc Fiji	General Commer	nts		
	(RFJYIF01)	submission was su	bmitted by Youth ment issues to ad	Inc. Fiji who eventually dress, and impacted upo	eting street kids in Fiji. The project proposal endorsed its novation to FSPI. Youth Inc. Fiji on the commencement of the project until the

Programmatic Achievements/Highlights

- A research committee was set up to oversee the research component of the Streetwise project.
 Relevant stakeholders, such as the MOH, Department of Social Welfare, UNCEF, USP, PHSRC, Save the Children and SPC were invited to sit on the research committee and consult the research project activities.
- Research protocols were developed to guide the research. The draft research protocol underwent a process of scrutiny, and was assessed by members of the research committee before it was submitted to the National Health Research Committee (NHRC) for endorsement. The research committee has been constantly engaged in the progress of the research protocol, and in providing advice and technical assistance on how the research protocol can best address the concerns of the NHRC. The research protocol has been submitted and feedback has been received from the NHRC. Five key issues raised by the NHRC were:
 - 1. Who will provide consent for the minors (under legal age of consent of 18 years)?
 - 2. Age of study participants
 - 3. Who is the legal guardian for these minors?
 - 4. Legal implication for some sensitive questions if used in the survey tool (e.g. sex with minor, experience with sexual violence, current practice sexual practices, use of recreational drugs like marijuana, and other illegal activities and health-risk situations like glue sniffing)

Challenges

		• Finalising 6		the research proejct by	addressing issues raised by the Research Ethics		
			Total Lifet	Financial Data l Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$100,000.00			
		Disburs Cumulative (AUD\$)		Total Acquittals to 31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	. ,		
		\$31,453	\$31,453	\$6	A total of 31% has been disbursed for this project in the last period of 2010. Hence their acquittals will be covered in the 2011 period.		
Fiji	Reproductive & Family Health Association of Fiji (RFJRFH01)	General Comments The Stemming the Tide Project is a male-focused approach to HIV/STI and unplanned pregnancy control project which commenced in 2009, with specific focus on HIV & STI education and training of trainers of seafarers through the College of Maritime, Fiji. The module used is mirrored off the International Planned Parenthood Federation's <i>Integrated Comprehensive & Life Skills Sexuality Education</i> .					
		 Programmatic Achievements/Highlights Involvement of more younger male seafarers in the awareness programmes Working with College of Maritime and the Ports Authority of Fiji in having a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in the setting up of drop-in-centres which can be utilised by seafarers to access information on Sexual & Reproductive Health & Rights (SRHR) which includes HIV and AIDS as well as STIs 					

•	Meeting with Medical Services Pacific (MSP) to also have an MOU whereby RFHAF will be able to
	make referrals for seafarers to utilise their HIV testing services as well as clinical services

• Involvement of seafarers spouses, although programmes for spouses have not begun

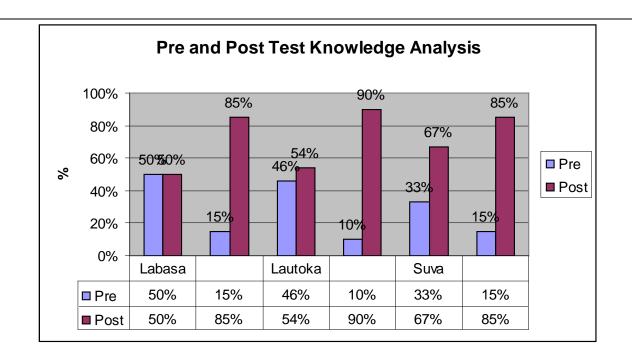
Challenges

- Establishment of clinics for seafarers that can also provide testing services (one stop shop)
- Require HIV workplace policies for seafarers
- Data collected by the MOH not segregated by occupation, but may be taken into consideration as part of the data collection aspect of the project
- Need to do carry out research on sexual behaviours of seafarers to inform the work of the project

Financial Data
Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$100,000,00

Disburs	sements	Total Acquittals to		
Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative	
\$52,917	\$40,144	\$20,509	A total of 52% has been disbursed of the grant value to the SR for this grant, and 39% or \$20,509, has been acquitted. The main issue is the incompleteness of reports and delay in reporting. 48%, or \$9,804, of the total funds acquitted attributed to training costs, and 38%, or \$7,758, is attributed to payment of stationary of the project.	

Fiji		General Comments
	Society	
	(RFJRCS01)	The Fiji Red Cross HIV & Workplace Project focuses on providing HIV/STI prevention and the development
	(Kr JKC501)	of workplace policies in selected work places in Fiji.
		Programmatic Achievements/Highlights
		• 13 Trainings in the Workplace completed. These brought the numbers of workplaces trained for
		2010 from 1 to 19 workplaces. Specifically, 7 workplaces in Labasa, 4 workplaces in Suva, and 2 workplaces for Lautoka. A total of 73 beneficiaries were reached.
		 After the Trainings in the Workplace were completed, workplace managers were approached on a face-to-face basis who had conducted the trainings. The purpose was to monitor build up after the training, and gage any further assistance needed from employers in completing a draft HIV and AIDS
		Workplace Policy.
		Training of Trainers conducted Detabase for HIV in the Workplace training developed.
		 Database for HIV in the Workplace training developed Assessment for Workplaces and Instructors conducted
		 Assessment for Workplaces and Instructors conducted Monitoring visits to two project sites completed. Both project sites delivered training sessions and
		follow up visits to two project sites completed. Both project sites derivered training sessions and follow up visits to targeted workplaces. Labasa developed strong, effective collaboration and partnership with targeted workplaces in the District. This resulted in employers allowing their employees (company representatives) to attend a one or 2 full days of training on HIV and AIDS in the workplace during their normal working days.
		All training sessions conducted were monitored through pre and post knowledge data collection and evaluation forms and findings noted below.



Challenges

• Lack of participation of key employers representative

Financial Data Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$100,000.00

Disbur	sements	Total Acquittals to 31	
Cumulative	FY 2010	Dec 2010	Financial Narrative
(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)	

		\$36,580	\$14,936	\$19,651	Total amount acquitted utilized 30%, or \$5,832, for payment of staff. 32% is attributed to the purchase of office equipment, and 15% was attributed to training activities, while the remaining funds acquitted were utilized for payment of operating costs, communication and local travel costs.	
Fiji	Fiji Red Cross Society (RFJRCS02)	Programmatic Ac Identification recruited for National Octoor National Octoor 20 communication Lautoka, 5 1127 direct conducted	chievements/Highlian, recruitment and from the implement of peer educators selenities were visited to in Taveuni, 2 in Lat beneficiaries were	districts in Fiji. ights I training of peer educting branches to attended to the ection criteria and role by trained Peer Educate basa and 1 in Sigatoka e reached in the 20 co	ators whereby a total of 27 Peer Educators were ad the Training of Trainers which was held at	HIV & Blood IEC Materials Review R
		was condu	cted by a Consultan	t in August. The purpo	sked Questions Brochures in the three languages se of the review was to evaluate the quality of the ns of the current IEC materials development and	

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			*		in analysis of the quality of the IEC materials		
				•	2 weeks which included desk review at the		
		National Office, interview of key stakeholders and a field visit which was conducted in selected					
		communities in the Western, Eastern and Northern Division where the IEC materials have been					
		distributed	d through various	FRCS programmes.			
		Challenges Communication breakdown between implementing branches and targeted communities sometimes cause delay and cancellation of project activities					
		 Transport 	to remote comm	unities is expensive and inter	rmittent often requiring peer educators to stay		
		in the villa	age for extended	days			
		 In some communities, the group was not able to be split into young men and women due to decisions 					
			village leaders and		, ,		
		Financial Data					
				ifetime Grant Commitment	- AUD\$120,000.00		
		Disburs		Total Acquittals to 31 Dec			
		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative		
		(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)	(ACD\$)			
					Red Cross Fiji accessed their funding in the		
		\$16,933	\$16,933	\$0	second half of 2010. 14%, or \$16933, of the		
		φ10,733	φ10,733	Ψυ	total grant value has been disbursed to the		
					grantee. Acquittal reports for the July-Dec		
		1			period will be reflected in 2011.		
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					period will be reflected iii 2011.		
'iji	Marie Stopes International	General Comm	ents		period will be reflected in 2011.		
₹iji	_			nated on 25 th Dec 2010 due	to the closure of the MSI Pacific Office as a		



crisis that resulted in a scaling down and closure of MSIP operations, and based on an assessment made by MSIA in terms of 'value for money'. Closure procedures were implemented between October and December 2010.

Programmatic Achievements/Highlights

- Participation at the Fiji School of Medicine Open Day in which information and awareness was carried out to more than 500 students. IEC materials were distributed as well as demonstration on the proper use of condoms both male and female
- Participation at the Hibiscus Festival event which profiled and sold Try Time condoms, as well as the distribution of HIV/STI information. More than 5000 young people accessed the health booth set up during the weeklong event.
- The team managed to secure 4 new outlets to distribute Try Time condoms located at:
 - o Early Shop, Martintar, Nadi
 - o Shameems Service Station, Queens Highway, Nadi
 - o Rana's Service Station, Kabisi, Sigatoka, Queens Highway
 - o Touch & Go Enterprises, Nadi, Queens Highway

Challenges

- The acceptance of condoms is still an issue in traditional communities and for the older generation. Also, talking about sex is still a taboo in some conservative communities. Consequently, the team had to change some of the approaches used.
- The CSM project covers four towns in the West which is quite a challenge to the small team and small budget
- Condom social marketing approach cannot work as a standalone and the integration of this with the community peer education project is the strategy used
- The closure of the project has discontinued work and achievements made through the project.

		Financial Data Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$100,000.00					
		Total Lifetim Disbursements		Total Acquittals to	,		
		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative		
					MSIP terminated in September 2010. Other procedures are still being undertaken by SPC to officially close this project. This relates to acquittal of funds being disbursed.		
		\$51,395	\$20,877	\$27,296	63% of the acquitted funds was attributed to payments for staff involved in the project, whilst 26% was attributed to training and publication materials. The remaining 10% was utilized for payment of communication and some research costs.		
Fiji	Marie Stopes International Pacific (RFJMSI03)	General Comments Please refer to MSIP comments above. Grant terminated.					
	(KF3WIS103)	Programmatic Achievements/Highlights					
		Challenges					
			Total Life	Financial Da time Grant Commitme			
		Disburs Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Total Acquittals to 31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative		

	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Fiji Males Empowerment Network Fiji (RFJMEN01)	General Comments The project commenced in 2009, however there were substantial delays by the Fiji National Ethics Committee in the approval of the research. The project proposal was revised to include an Integrated Behavioural Biological Survey (IBBS), and not confine it only to the behaviour KAP survey proposed originally. This had to be reviewed and approved by the GMU. The approval was received in October 2010 with the fieldwork implemented in December 2010. Analysis and results will be made will be made available in 2011. The study has two survey components, a behavioural survey and a biological (bloods and urine) component. The aim of the study is to establish the levels of knowledge, attitudes, practices and behaviours of Men Who Have Sex With men (MSM) in Fiji. From the results of this study, MENFiji will then design their intervention and other relevant me addressing the needs of their constituents in Fiji. The participants will be asked for their signed consent to participate in both arms of the research.					
	 Approva expansion and Laborate 470 sample This is to populate Chlamy 	on from the initially basa ples were collected the first of its kind ion with a large dia and gonorrhoes ollaboration with the	vember 2010 for Naturally planned behaviour of the Suva and Lautol in the region to include sample size, and the s	ENFiji to undertake the IBBS study which was an only survey among MSM members in Suva, Lautoka and de both behavioural and clinical assessment of MSM with screening tests including Hepatitis B, syphilis, through the MOH for the clinical component of the		

			Total I	Financ			
			_ 0 - 0 - 0 - 1	Lifetime Grant Con	ial Data nmitment – AUD\$50,000.00		
		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Total Acquittals to 31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative		
		\$33,333	\$0	\$423	This is one of the most problematic organizations in terms of reporting and acquitting of funds disbursed. 67% of the total grant value has been disbursed, but 100% has not been acquitted in 2010. Follow-up actions have been carried out by the GMU, and reports have now been received in 2011 for funds received in 2009.		
Fiji	Males Empowerment Network Fiji (RFJMEN02)	General Comm Please refer to I	ents RFJMEN01 section	on above.			
		Programmatic Achievements/Highlights Challenges					
		Ü	Total I		rial Data nmitment – AUD\$45,000.00 Financial Narrative		

		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	to 31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$)					
Fiji	Pacific STI & HIV Research Centre (PSHRC) (R01PRC02)	General Comments This project commenced in the last quarter of 2010. The project focuses on conducting secondary data analysis on the SG Country Data for selected PICs. The criteria for countries selected was done in consultation with the SPC STI Advisor. 5 PICs were selected for this project.							
		Programmatic Achievements/Highlights							
		 A Coordinator was recruited in 2010 Approval was obtained from 3 countries (Fiji, Solomon Islands and Vanuatu) to implement the project in 2011 							
		Challenges							
	2 countries (Tonga and Samoa) did not consent to being part of the project due to the lack of understanding and consultation held with the respective MOHs on the purpose of the project that supported PRSIP II. There was a cloud of suspicion that the regional organisation would implement a project that would not beneficiated and HIV/STI interventions.								
			Financial Data						
		Dighun	Total L sements	ifetime Grant Com Total Acquittals	mitment – AUD\$140,000.00				
		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	to 31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative				

		\$22,867	\$22,867	\$6	This organization has been disbursed 16%, or \$22,687, of its funds in the last half of 2010. Hence, their acquittal report is not reflected in this period.				
Multi Country Projects	Burnet Institute Pacific (R01BIP04)		General Comments Please refer to R01BIP03 above.						
		Programmatic Achievements/Highlights Challenges Financial Data							
		Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$50,000.00 Disbursements Total Acquittals to 31							
		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Dec 201 (AUD\$	0 Financial Narrative				
		\$0	\$0	\$0					
Multi Country Projects	Foundation of the Peoples of the South Pacific (R01FPS02)	General Comments FSPI has been involved with UNIFEM, UNFPA and UNDP to create opportunities to strengthen the Gender Based Violence (GBV) and HIV/AIDS reduction initiatives. The project commenced in 2010 as a one-year programme supplementing the Regional Stepping Stones Programme through the use of drama and gender discourse.							
		Programmatic .	Achievements/Hi	ghlights					

- Two males and one female potential SS trainers received and completed a 4-week training course in Gender Relations and Human rights with Fiji Women's Crisis Centre. The intention of this was to develop the capacity of and build the number of facilitators within FSPI who could facilitate discussions on gender and power relations, actions which lead to women's empowerment or disempowerment, challenge ingrained behaviours and attitudes which discriminate against women and children and increase the risk in transmission of STIs/HIV, and gender-based violence.
- Two scripts were commissioned, developed and workshopped with the Dynamic Vocals and FSPI. They were based on 'Domestic Violence' and 'Rape'. FSPI had the assistance of a Fiji-based New Zealand PHD student researching playback theatre and helped to guide the development of an effective social change theatre by providing support to the drama group. The Regional Health Programme Manager (RHPM), the Health Promotion Adviser and trainers also undertook a peer review during this development of the script and performance.
- The RHPM compiled and developed a series of resources and background material on gender and HIV for the drama group's reference for their work and together with the HPA they provided gender issues briefings to the group. The HPA drew on her background of SS to guide the conceptualisation the script on key issues raised in community discussions and training.
- In April 2010, FSPI partnered with the MOH to conduct another facilitator training course. There were 5 MOH communities (which comprised of four community facilitators and an Assistant HIV Officer), two Peace villages and one FJN+ community representative. The FSPI trainers who had received gender training actively participated in additional sessions focusing on gender relations. The intention was to strengthen other facilitators' capacity to discuss and act about sensitive issues such as gender violence and rape.
- The Director of FWCC conducted an introductory talk on gender awareness and women's human rights session with participants. The Fiji training provided the opportunity for FSPI to overcome a key challenge highlighted in the last reporting period and that was to increase the gender and human rights and male engagement to advocate for gender equality and reduction of gender-based violence.

- A total of 4 new male facilitators and 2 new female facilitators were present at the Fiji training in a bid to overcome the loss of regional technical assistance from SPC. These six individuals are experienced and skilled community facilitators and will be called upon for future regional trainings.
- The HPA visited Tonga to introduce SS to a range of community organizations and established a relationship with the Tonga Women's Crisis Centre (TWCC) to ensure gender related issues becomes a strong component of SS in Tonga. As a result, TWCC will be running pre-training workshops on gender with facilitators before the first in-country SS training.
- The Gender Equity Measure Scale was refined and improved resulting in quicker analysis and feedback on the gender attitudes, but with some issues requiring a stronger focus. The new system ensures absolute confidentiality while matching the age/village data to increase indication of behavioural change analysis. Since this process is continually being reviewed and improved, key questions which may indicate changes in behaviours as well as attitudes will be explored.

Challenges

- Training a cadre of committed male SS facilitators to address and challenge masculinities within themselves, their peers and their communities of men and women which negatively impact on gender equality and women's empowerment in their relationships with women. For SS communities to be able to identify and analysis gender discrimination and its impacts and create positive strategies for change within each community
- M&E of the increase in behaviour change as an impact of the pilot gender through drama for social change community conversations approach
- SS facilitator's ability to challenge gender stereotypes with community members.

Financial Data
Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$50,000.00

Disbursements		Total Acquittals to 31	Financial Narrative
Cumulative	FY 2010	Dec 2010	Financiai Narrauve

		(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)			
		\$50,000	\$50,000	\$22,009	Total disbursed to FSPI is 100%. Total acquitted is 44%, or \$22009. Follow up action is being carried out by the GMU team on remaining un-acquitted amounts. 78%, or \$17,076, was attributed to payment of project staff involved in implementing the project, while the remaining balance was attributed to fieldwork costs and other operating and communication costs.		
Multi Country Projects Projects Projects Foundation (PIAF) (R01PIA05)	Islands AIDS Foundation (PIAF)	General Comments The programme commenced in 2009. It is reliant on the work of the Intern Communications Officer based in the Cook Islands. The project also deviated from its original proposal of capacity building of media practitioners through formal training, and instead initiated Facebook updates through the PIAF page as a means to advocate for sensitizing media stories on HIV and STIs. This role has seen the project put out more than 10 responses to the media on the continued use of negative terms that fuel rather than reduce stigma and discrimination attitudes in the PICTs.					
		 Programmatic Achievements/Highlights Established network with 3 media agencies in Fiji and Tonga Increased postings on Facebook that has continued to profile the project as well as raise awareness on the issues around insensitive reporting and the likely consequences around stigma and discrimination 10 media releases addressed to Pacific Island Media corporations to highlight the continued negative media stories on HIV issues 					
		Challenges				43	

- Reports are not submitted in a timely manner and the delay in sorting out programme and financial issues. This continued to affect the continuity of the project.
- PIAF not consulting the GMU on progressing with the project by using its core funds in the instance RF project funds was not forthcoming due to outstanding financial acquittals. The GMU had advised that this is not a practise the GMU will support in future. This is important as some activities charged against the grant were not in line with the project objectives and which have been rejected by the GMU. This would have been avoided had the approval been sought from the GMU to use other funds.

Financial Data
Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$75,000.00

Disburs	ements	Total Acquittals to 31	
Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative
\$0	\$0	\$0	
\$48,177	\$48,177	\$20,933	Homosphere has been transferred 32% their funds in the first half of 2010. A tot of 43% has been acquitted. One of the mark challenges is the language as all acquittate are in French. Help has been sought for one of the GMU staff in Noumea to assemble with the translation of the information received. Translation tool in MS Word we also used to help with financial acquittation interpretation.
Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)		

\$34,844	\$17,444	\$5,864	31%, or \$\$34,844, has been transferred of which \$17,444 (50%) of that amount relates to 2010 disbursement. There has been a delay in reporting from this SR for the 2010 period.
Disbut Cumulative (AUD\$)	rsements FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Total Acquittals to 31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative
\$24,133	\$16,785	\$10,150	A total of \$16785 was disbursed in 2010 and only 42% was acquitted in 2010.

STREAM 5: PRSIP Support Grants

Summary Level

Stream 5
Regional Grants
(summary level)

Summary:

Funding Stream 5 – PRSIP Support Grants provides funding to regional and international support organisations for the implementation of high priority activities identified in PRSIP II and contributing to PRSIP II outcomes and objectives.

All of the PRSIP Support Grants support a range of activities across the PICTs, and in collaboration with a wide range of stakeholders addressing regional capacity development initiatives, research and policy development, and discussion forums/meetings. Under the coordination of SPC, regional partners via technical working groups and strategic planning meetings, coordinate activities and address the need for technical assistance for PICTs under this allocation.

All of these grants were originally managed out of the SPC GMU office based in Suva. However, due to Suva staff movement and departures, the SPC GMU based in Pohnpei took over management of the non-SPC SRs in November 2010 (14 grants). The other 6 Stream 5 grants are still managed out of Suva and split between the 2 PDOs based in Suva. For the Pohnpei team this arrangement has posed some specific challenges in providing oversight and assistance in the management of these grants due to the remoteness of the Pohnpei office from the regional partners who are mainly based in Suva, including PC&SS (Lautoka), Cook Islands (PIAF) and New Zealand (NZAF). Initial 2010 budgets did not include Pohnpei staff travel to Suva for the sole purpose of conducting monitoring visits with Stream 5 SRs, so these activities took place in conjunction with other planned SPC RF GMU meetings in Suva.

Financial Data Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$7,050,200.00

Disbursements		Total Acquittals to 31	Financial Narrative
Cumulative	FY 2010	Dec 2010	Filialiciai Nai Fative

(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)		
\$2,448,675	\$1,377,686	\$1,350,380	The Stream 5 financial situation has been mixed, with some SRs progressing well with their activities and providing timely reports, while others are significantly under-spending with delayed activity implementation and late submission of reports, indicating a wide range of organizational and technical capacities. In addition, a number of activities were overbudgeted resulting in significant savings which contributed to the low cash burn rates by the end of 2010. Technical support from the SPC GMU RF has and continues to be prioritised and provided to those to SRs review their budgets and activity plans to ensure a more accurate and realistic reflection of how things have progressed to date, including more stringent monitoring of SR activities by the GMU RF Team.	

Individual Grant Level

Organisation	Narrative	Documents
UNAIDS	General Comments	
(R00UNA01)	The proposed programme is part of a partnership between the UN system through its coordination mechanism, UNAIDS (for the purposes of this initiative including the UNAIDS Secretariat, WHO, UNFPA, UNICEF and UNDP), and SPC. The purpose of the project is to assist selected countries to develop coherent M&E systems which contribute to more efficient use of data and resources by ensuring that: 1) systems appropriate for the small island, low population, low prevalence settings of the region are comparable over time; 2) reduce duplication of effort; 3) are country owned, understood and managed; and 4) that data generated serve the needs of the country and regional constituents, including national programme managers, researchers, donors and implementers in a coordinated and consistent manner. This grant supports M&E development activities in the Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Fiji, Cook Islands, Kiribati, Tonga, Nauru, FSM, Tuvalu and Palau.	
	Activities supported under this grant include: 1. Review and develop national strategic plans for HIV/STIs (in partnership with Burnet Institute Stream 5 grant) 2. Review and develop national M&E frameworks for HIV/STIs (in partnership with Burnet Institute Stream 5 grant) 3. Assist countries to conduct assessments on the progress made towards Universal Access (UA) targets 4. Assist PICs to prepare 2010 UNGASS Reports 5. Pre-test Country Response Information System (CRIS) software 6. Undertake National AIDS Spending Assessments (NASA) in PICs 7. Support the implementation of GF for HIV M&E SS (Systems Strengthening) in PICs 8. Establish and support a Pacific regional M&E Technical Working Group – PMEWG (in partnership with Burnet, WHO, SPC, UNFPA, UNICEF and UNDP) 9. Provide input into the UNDAF Outcome Group 3 monitoring framework	
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		surveys 11. Administrative fees (UNICEF) 12. End-of-Project Evaluation (EPE)	
		 Programmatic Achievements/Highlights Reporting on the UNGASS Declaration of Commitments by PICs increased from five in 2008 to ten in 2010, which indicates significant improvements in capacity of PICs to monitor and report on the status of their respective HIV and AIDS responses. It is important to acknowledge that the reporting process was country led, and the output from the exercise will provide the most comprehensive dataset on HIV for an increasing number of PICs. It also sets the foundation for PICs to be engaged in assessing progress made toward universal access to HIV prevention, treatment, care and support services to all those who need them. Fiji became an entry point to pre-test the rollout of the Country Response Information System (CRIS) software designed to assist countries in tracking HIV data. A comprehensive training on the use of the software was conducted involving national and district level HIV officials of the Fiji Ministry of Health. There has been a remarkable improvement in collaboration between the SPC, UN and other Development partners on the monitoring and evaluation of the HIV situation and response in the PICs. The development of the Pacific M&E Training Curriculum commenced allowing for more capacity building opportunities – trainings to be rolled out in 2011 Through the efforts and consistent meetings of the Pacific M&E Technical Working Group, there is a sense of improved coordination among regional partners in planning and implementing M&E related activities in the Pacific. Other M&E activities including the M&E Self Assessment of GF R7 recipient countries, the Fiji NASA and other M&E related activities were jointly planned and implemented. 	
		Challenges	

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				Financial Dat	· · ·			
		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Total Acquittals to 31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative			
		\$323,451	\$210,565	\$126,161	A total of 59%, or \$74,336, was acquitted against fieldwork costs consisting of mainly hiring consultants for the implementation of project activities. 31%, or \$38,506, related to training activities, while the remaining 10% was attributed to travel costs for the project.			
Multi Country Project	WHO (R00WHO01)		is project is to strer		tional laboratories for HIV/STI diagnosis through ry practical/hands-on workshops.			

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		In consultation with WHO, the Pacific Paramedical Training Centre (PPTC) is to be sub-contracted to develop a training programme that can be regularly updated in light of new developments and best practices suitable for the Pacific environment and administered through the WHO's Pacific Open Learning Health Net (POLHN) website. Recognised by many Health Ministers as a valuable capacity building mechanism, there are currently 19 POLHN centres in 12 PICs delivering various key health courses in the Pacific. At the commencement of the project, there were initial delays due to lengthy SPC/WHO negotiations of the terms and conditions of the RF grant, which in turn resulted in the delay of the disbursement of the first tranche of funds. Secondly, the WHO's internal administrative practices further delayed access to the funds. Taken as a whole, the project fell behind schedule by approximately six months. Despite this, it is currently anticipated that the project will be completed within the original timeframe.	6-Monthly Narrative Report RF WHO July
		Programmatic Achievements/Highlights	
		The main achievement for 2010 was the development of the 'hybrid' course consisting of two parts: a theory component consisting of 11 weekly modules covering all the STIs and RTIs (Reproductive Tract Infections) and the practical workshop that will be conducted in the National Laboratory of participating countries. It is anticipated that each theory module will take between $1-2$ hours to complete. In order to evaluate the student's understanding of the subject matter, at the end of each module, there will be a series of multi-choice questions that must be successfully completed before moving on to the next module.	
		It is anticipated that the course will be accessible via POLHN by Q2 2011 with in-country workshops for further capacity building and mentoring commencing thereafter.	
		Challenges	
		As mentioned above, there were initial delays with the commencement of the project. However, the current challenge is addressing WHO's contracting and procurement policies which currently conflicts with the agreed terms and conditions of the RF grant, namely the acquittal of 85% of funds disbursed before further funds can	

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		be disbursed. There was an apparent lack of orientation to RF reporting requirements and templates for the SR which resulted in incomplete narrative and financial reports. The SPC GMU identified this oversight and provided the SR with proper review and training of the reporting templates. Subsequent reporting has improved.						
			Total I		cial Data nmitment – AUD\$449,700.00			
		Disbur Cumulative (AUD\$)	rsements FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Total Acquittals to 31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative			
		\$118,145	\$118,145	\$14	Financial reports submitted were not always correctly filled, but this was quickly resolved with some guidance and explanations.			
Multi Country Project	SPC AHD Adolescent Health and Development (R01SAH01)	General Comments						

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		130 young people attend a peer education refresher training in Makin Island (Kiribati). This is a joint activity with the Reproductive Health and Adolescent Health coordinators at the MOH/TA provided by the SPC AHD	
		28.01,2010	
		 Assistance provided to the Vanuatu and Kiribati MoEd Curriculum Development Units to analyse the National Curriculum and Assessment Framework and explore the opportunities for the inclusion of the Family Life Education programme Development of the Youth Friendly Health Services Guideline - Consultation Workshop (Vanuatu) Assessment of Saupia Health Centre for the Integration of Youth Friendly Services (Vanuatu) 	
		Challenges	
		 Difficulties in getting data on youth reached for all activities including clinic (YFS) data Delayed reporting as well as some reports not forthcoming despite multiple facilitations Government commitment is sometimes unclear or weakening in certain areas of health care – e.g. decreasing support towards project funded programmes Addressing youth health in the context of social, economic, educational and other developmental areas 	
		Financial Data Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$450,000.00	
		Disbursements Total Acquittals to 31 Financial Narrative	

Country	Organisation	Narrative				Documents
		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Dec 2010 (AUD\$)		
		\$50,783	\$50,783	\$105,367	Total percent disbursed against the grant value was 11% for SPC AHD. But they managed to acquit more than the disbursed amount to implement the activities that was planned for 2010 resulting in 207% shown as acquitted against the disbursed amount. They had submitted their Jan-Jun 2010 and Jul-Dec 2010 together at the end of 2010 which has contributed to the acquittals been more than the disbursed amount. Total amount acquitted was attributed to trainings for in-country activities. 42%, or \$44699, of this acquitted amount paid for incountry activities. 35%, or 36,724, was attributed to co-sharing personnel costs for staff involved in implementing this project. 22% was attributed to operating costs, travel and capital items to refurbish some of the youth clinics in-country.	
Multi Country Project	National Serology Reference Laboratory, Australia (NRL TM) (RAUNSR01)	Background This project aims to support the field validation of HIV confirmatory rapid test algorithm for use in selected PICTs. HIV testing is a challenge in the Pacific with blood samples for confirmatory testing needing to be sent overseas laboratories for confirmatory testing. Because of geographical and logistical reasons, turnaround time for HIV confirmatory test results is often lengthy and delayed. Therefore, patients do not receive timely and appropriate care. This issue was addressed during the regional Technical Consultation on HIV Testing in				

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		the Pacific held in May 2008 in Pago Pago, American Samoa. The meeting recommended a harmonized HIV testing algorithm using rapid tests.	
		For Phase I of the project, the National Serology Reference Laboratory (NRL) based in Melbourne, Australia, was contracted by SPC to conduct validation testing in order to choose two HIV rapid tests as confirmatory testing for a reactive HIV Determine screening test (NB- most PICTs are using this test as the rapid HIV screening test). This project builds upon the results taken from that Phase I and supports both Phase II, the field validation of the testing algorithm in select countries, and Phase III, broader implementation and monitoring of the testing programme.	
		General Comments	
		Because of the performance of the rapid tests in the Phase I validation study, and the three years it took to complete the validation of the recommended HIV testing algorithm, the HIV Testing Task Force decided to expedite the validation testing by combining the field validation (Phase II) with the actual implementation of the algorithm (Phase III). This means that there is continuing validation of the HIV testing algorithm and quality assurance with roll out of the HIV testing algorithm.	
		Programmatic Achievements/Highlights	
		The recommended HIV testing algorithm has been implemented in seven countries: Kiribati (June 2010), Solomon Islands (August 2010), Vanuatu (August 2010), Marshall Islands (September 2010), Samoa (November 2010), Palau (November 2010) and Federated States of Micronesia (December 2010). A combined laboratory and clinical training was conducted in the seven PICTs mentioned by a team composed of SPC's HIV/STI Laboratory Consultant, SPC's HIV Treatment and Care Adviser and a staff from NRL. A total of 32 laboratory staff have been trained on the HIV testing algorithm in the seven PICTs mentioned.	
		Challenges	

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		adopt the recomme	The plan was to pilot the recommended HIV testing algorithm in Fiji first. However, Fiji MOH was ready to dopt the recommended HIV testing algorithm. There was also an issue of harmonizing funding support for the laboratory experts that conducted the training in-country.					
				Financial Data	a			
				ifetime Grant Commitme	nt – AUD\$89,000.00			
		Disburse		Total Acquittals to 31				
		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative			
		\$68,571	\$40,666	\$30,199	As of September 2010, 77% of the value of the grant was disbursed with only 44% acquitted as of December 2010. No additional disbursements were requested in July-December 2010.			
Multi Country Project	Pacific Counselling and Social Services (PC&SS) (RFJPCS03)	This project addre and testing (GC & and the Global Further goal of the project address.)	Chis project addresses building national level human resources to have a sound HIV and other STI counselling and testing (GC & CT) network throughout ten PICs. This is the second aspect of a wider project with SPC and the Global Fund (HIV and other STI VCCT Practitioners training in ten countries). The goal of the project is to promote and provide access to professional HIV Continuum of Care Treatment and Support services by training counsellors to the Diploma level, thus establishing a foundation for an					
		provide support to integral part of O	o those trained in SHHMM teams	n basic HIV/STI counselli in each country who take	Ts with broader counselling skills, and who could ng (VCCT). These counsellors will become an a leading role in HIV and other STI awareness, ma candidates are from the Cook Islands, Niue,			

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		Solomon Islands, Tonga, Vanuatu, Nauru, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Kiribati, Palau, RMI and the FSM.	
		Through self-study and distance learning courses students are expected to complete 22 units. The SR conducts face-to-face in-country workshops and practicals periodically during the course of the programme to supplement the students' self-learning. The SR also evaluates and monitors the students' progress in completing their units.	
		Programmatic Achievements/Highlights	
		 24 diploma candidates continue to be trained and participate in the course in order to develop an in-depth understanding of the five therapies of counselling and how each therapy could be integrated to provide a holistic approach counselling support to their client Allowed self-evaluation for the trainees where a particular trainee highlighted the need to work on self-improvement to see a positive change in others. Some countries have started to utilize the services of these trainee counsellors in assisting their clients Diploma candidates have been able to apply their counselling skills and knowledge to other aspects of their work, including health promotion and outreach and HIV/STI prevention work Block 3 tutorial, which focuses more on practical experiences (i.e. conducting role play sessions/demonstration of skills) was conducted successfully for the trainees in the South The trainees also have an opportunity to role play using the five therapies Units were submitted and resubmissions were given a priority Through continual mentoring and follow up, there was great improvement from Kiribati students in submission of their units A total of 8 out of 24 students were able to submit up to Unit 22 by December 2010 	
		Most Significant Change Story:	
		The most significant change for me was how the training has equipped me with the necessary basic counselling	

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		and communication skills which has now enabled me to be more confident to conduct counselling for youths accessing our service. I had a different perspective of counselling when coming into to attend this training. Initially when I went through the units I thought they are very short than what I have expected in terms of content. However when the facilitator conducted the tutorial, going through each units, doing group exercises, discussions etc, I became overwhelmed with the knowledge I have gained and was speechless on how professional the facilitators were.	
		Before when I use to conduct counselling, I thought my sessions were conducted in a very professional manner because I am a qualified nurse. However this training has made me realized that there was no proper procedure nor was there any structure on how the sessions were conducted and I also lacked a lot of skills in counselling. In addition I had no awareness of the importance of rapport building with clients; there was no risk assessment or any documentation of the pre-test and post test counselling session. Sessions were conducted even without explaining confidentiality and its limits. While we were going through the training I began to realize the importance of engaging clients from the first time you meet them and this was thoroughly covered in this Diploma.	
		Through this unit, "Working with clients" I was made to reflect on what I was doing in my previous counselling sessions and it empowered me to think about ways in which I can improve on the service that I am providing to the youths. Now I have learnt that trust is the foundation of a positive working relationship with clients. Thus in order to conduct a successful counselling session, rapport building by engaging a client in a positive way will display to the client that you are a professional thus enabling/empowering the client to feel comfortable to express themselves.	
		In addition, the effective communication skills I have acquired from this Diploma training has greatly improved my communication skills both in my personal and professional life because I am more aware of the communication barriers and I am trying my best to listen and listen well and look at the different issues I come across from another perspective. Moreover I am now eagerly looking forward to take what I have from this training and implement it in my daily work as an ARH nurse and HIV trainee counsellor.	
		Challenges	

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	One of the main challenges of this project was the late submission of units or slow responses from students on						
		re-submission of units. There are varying factors as to why students were late in submitting their required					
		course work which	included, compet	ting obligations and work	commitments, lack of supervisory support and		
		O ,	ŕ	•	which limited the students' access to the internet,		
		and resulting delays	in the reviewing	and marking of completed	l units.		
		Another challenge	hat was evident t	hrough the role plays was	s that the students are still finding it difficult to		
		put some of the co	ounselling concep	ts into practical demonstr	ration (application of concepts). To tackle this		
		issue, the students v	vere provided wit	h a Five Therapies DVD.	Students could use this as a learning tool when		
		they are back in the	ir respective coun	tries and for role play prac	etices.		
		Especially in the smaller PICs, where prevalence of HIV is particularly low, the diploma candidates did not have adequate opportunities to practice and apply their counselling skills and knowledge. It was suggested by many of the candidates and their supervisors to the SR that arrangements should be made to provide secondment opportunities in Fiji for those candidates. Because the entire course was conducted in English, including study materials, units, study groups, in-country workshops and practicums, those students whom English proficiency was low, encountered some difficulty and challenges in completing their courses, and comprehending course presentations and lectures. Financial Data					
		Disburse		time Grant Commitmen Total Acquittals to 31	t – Αυμφ332,300.00		
		Cumulative FY 2010 Dec 2010 Financial Narrative					
		(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)			
		\$268,052	\$208,448	\$117,876	79% of funds acquitted were attributed to training activities implemented by PC&SS. 13% was utilized for staff costs and 9% was		

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		As of December 2010, 81% of the total grant was disbursed with 44% of the disbursed funds acquitted as of December 2010. PC&SS is currently requesting to extend the project due to slow implementation to December 2011.		
Multi Country Project	OSSHHM - Oceania Society for Sexual Health and HIV Medicine (RFJOSS02)	General Comments OSSHHM was awarded a Stream 5 PRSIP Support grant to support the capacity building of health care workers engaged in HIV and sexual health care in the Pacific. Specifically OSSHHMM works with 115 members in 16 PICs. Programmatic Achievements/Highlights • Formation of 2 OSSHHM country teams – OSSHHM had initiated discussion with Vanuatu and Solomon Island to form OSSHHM in-country teams • Flip chart distribution – 65 copies of the flip chart distributed to four countries for OSSHHM members. The flip chart is used to assist in the delivery of voluntary confidential counselling and testing for HIV (VCCT) • Increasing membership numbers • International training of OSSHHM members – 2 OSSHHM members selected and supported to attend the Annual ASHM conference and International short course in HIV medicine and related matters Challenges		

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	 Membership engagement remains an on-going challenge. Various issues have limited member engagement such as: Limited or no regular internet access of many members Geographical isolation of members limit their access to resources OSSHHM's role remains unclear to members HIV treatment issues continue to exist in some countries with pre-existing human and health resource limitations. OSSHHM endeavours to continue to provide ongoing professional development in the Pacific to ensure a pool of well-trained HIV clinicians in each country with PLHIV Brain drain continues as HIV care providers depart to other employment opportunities abroad OSSHHM's work is limited to HIV and needs to extend its scope include STIs and general sexual health issues 					
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		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative	
		\$129,901	\$51,105	\$112,432	The total percent disbursed against the grant value was 31% (2009 and 2010). In 2010, they managed to acquit 87% of the total value that was given to them to implement their activities. 46%, or \$51646, of the amount acquitted was attributed to personnel costs, 33% or \$37,645 was attributed to training in country. 17% was utilized for travel costs while the remaining	

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					amount was attributed to communication, operating costs and publication expenses.			
Multi Country Project	Regional Rights Resource Team (SPC) (R01SRR01)	General Comments The RRRT Stream 5 grant focuses on the implementation of the HIV and Human Rights Programme in the Pacific. The specific focus of this project is in capacity building, as well as input into to national-level legislative changes where HIV is being noted in countries' legislative agendas.						
		 Tuvalu H the 15-19 TANGO, the 5-day that addr develope Affairs, t to start t requested complian Pacific D cohort of legislatio 	the 15-19 July with key stakeholders from the MOH, NGOs such as Family Health Support, TUFA, TANGO, Red Cross and the police. A total number of 16 participants, 4 males and 12 females attended the 5-day consultation. The primary focus of the consultation was the examination of supportive laws that addressed the issues of stigma and discrimination as this was a real concern for Tuvalu. The group developed a Tuvalu-specific set of drafting instructions which was presented to the Secretary for Home Affairs, the AG's office and the MOH. TUNAC is awaiting formal endorsement from the MOH in order to start the drafting work for a HIV Model Legislation in Tuvalu. The government has informally requested SPC/RRRT for assistance in developing a HIV law which is human rights and gender compliant.					

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		HIV with a human rights approach.	
		• Regional Lawyers Workshop – Auckland New Zealand, 29 th Nov – 2 nd December 2010 - A 2-hour	
		session was committed to highlighting to lawyers from around the region the issues surrounding HIV	
		and the law. Many of the lawyers had not been exposed to the subject of HIV and the law. Many	
		questions on criminalisation of HIV and legal liability of victims were raised. It was through a thorough presentation and the Q & A that followed that an understanding of the issues surrounding HIV and the	
		law was appreciated. One point that struck home during this particular presentation was the fact that	
		presenters have to be well-versed not only with legal questions surrounding HIV, but also be conversant	
		about things such as the how and why of transmission. One question that was asked was whether	
		mosquitoes can transmit the HIV virus. The lawyers came from the following countries: Samoa,	
		Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Nauru, Fiji, Marshall Islands, Tuvalu and Kiribati. The students came from	
		Fiji, PNG, Solomon Islands, Samoa and Vanuatu.	
		• Human Rights Defenders Training, $6^{th} - 10^{th}$ Sept 2010 - During the session that reviewed the human	
		rights issues of regional countries, a recap of the issues for the RMI and FSM were given to the	
		participants. An example of an issue for RMI was that the RMI is the only Pacific country that has	
		criminalised transmission of HIV. The question that was constructed for this issue was: The	
		Government of Peoples Republic of China congratulates the Republic of the Marshall Islands on its	
		report and asks the Republic of the Marshall Islands to explain to the HRC why it has transmission of HIV on its laws when this is not a HR approach to battling HIV? This question was actually put to the	
		Minister of Foreign Affairs for the Republic of Marshall Islands during the "mock session". Attending	
		UNAIDS team monthly meetings, where discussion on a range of HIV issues, projects, etc. are done.	
		Meetings are customarily held on the last Tuesday of every month.	
		Universal Periodic Review Report for Samoa and Palau - The Universal Periodic Review process	
		provides an opportunity for PICs to review and prioritize pressing human rights concerns. SPC/RRRT	
		in partnership with OHCHR and the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat supported Samoa (20 th -24 th	

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		September) and Palau (16-20 August) in developing their state reports and the civil society with their stakeholder submissions. Through these in-country forums, government and civil society were able to draw linkages between HIV and human rights and call for an enabling environment. Samoa and Palau expressed their concerns on the high levels of stigma and discrimination and a need for awareness of HIV issues and comprehensive HIV Legislation. Below are excerpts for the Samoa and Palau State and civil society reports.	
		• 2 State Reports undertaken – Samoa and Palau's state reports completed.	
		<u>Palau State Report</u>	
		1. Since testing and surveillance were implemented in 1989, only eight persons have been identified as HIV-positive in the Republic of Palau. Confidential testing and referral is conducted at the Belau National Hospital in the Family Health Unit (Family Planning - Antenatal Clinic) and at the Communicable Diseases Unit. A clinic was set up in 2007 to provide free counselling, testing and referral located at the Palau Community College campus. A resource centre at the same college campus location was also set up in 2007 for education, information, referral and distribution of condoms. Rapid test kits are used for initial testing with preliminary confirmatory tests conducted in Palau using repeated rapid tests and ELISA tests. All such testing is voluntary and services are free. HIV and STI cases are reported to the Reportable Diseases Surveillance System (MOH).	
		2. There has been some notable successes in the work on HIV and AIDS. A health resource centre was opened in early 2007 on the campus of the Palau Community College next to the only public high school. This resulted in increased condom distribution among high school and college students (more than 3,000 condoms distributed from March to December 2007 and 353 people visited from September to December 2007). The same college campus provides HIV/STI counselling, testing, referral, and care services at its Open Clinic.	

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		testin in pla all do	g and condom distr	ibution. There is provisi enting Mother to Child T	ed in 2007 to educate and to recruit youth for on for universal screening for pregnant women Transmission" (PMTCT). There is screening of onsent are key elements in testing, counselling	
		in sus	stainable prevention	activities, community	ne population which makes it difficult to engage attitude towards high risk behaviours (multiple V/STIs being perceived as a foreign problem.	
		Samoa State Rep	port			
		• HIV and AIDS continues to pose a major threat that requires the maintenance of vigorous public awareness programmes and effective institutional medical responses. The resurgence in tuberculosis is also a concern requiring further strengthening of awareness and treatment regimes.				
		Challenges				
	 Cultural and customary barriers Religious barriers and misinformation on the virus Core financing issues (i.e. New Zealand AID withdrawing funds in areas like human rights, gender and HIV) creating problems in terms of continuing to undertake/sustain these activities 					
		Financial Data Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$450,000.00				
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		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative	

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		\$158,757	\$104,810	\$105,503	The SPC RRRT has managed to acquit 66% of the total funds disbursed. However, this acquitted percentage does not include the Jul-December 2010 acquittals which will be reflected in the 2011 report. The total acquitted to date showed that 66%, or \$69,200, was utilised for staff costs involved in this project. 23%, or \$23,896, was attributed to training activities and travel, whilst the remaining 6% was attributed to operating costs, capital costs and communication expenses for the project.		
Multi Country Project	UNAIDS Pacific in coordination and collaboration with UNDP Pacific Centre, UNICEF, UNDP and ILO under the auspices of the UN Joint Programme on HIV – Leadership Component (R00UNA02)	General Comments Over the last 2 decades, the Pacific has learnt that confronting HIV requires strong political commitment and leadership; supportive legislative and policy frameworks; enhanced access to treatment, prevention, care and support for people living with HIV; approaches based on human rights to combat stigma and discrimination; the promotion of gender equality; and the active participation of people living with HIV and affected communities. It is generally believed that this cannot be achieved without strengthening the capacity and understanding of Pacific leaders from government, the community and the faith arena. The RF Stream 5 project is therefore a partnership primarily between UNAIDS and the UNDP Pacific Centre but in partnership with the UNDP Country Office, ILO and UNICEF under the UN Joint Programme on HIV. The purpose of the project is to assist countries to upscale advocacy on leadership at all levels, whether it be at the political, workplace, urban, rural or community level. This is done through training of trainers in-country who undertake the Transformational Leadership for Development programme (TLDP) sessions nationally in order for the information to be disseminated and used widely. These in-country trainers would then undertake					

Country	Organisation	Narrative	Documents
		the sessions in their own countries.	
		Activities under the project also involve participation of groups such as the arts and media to influence a wide audience and contribute to promoting a better understanding on HIV that will be conducive to strengthen prevention and care efforts. This initiative is also in harmony and consistent with other proven initiatives in the region such as Stepping Stones (methodologies are similar, mutually reinforcing and complementary).	
		Programmatic Achievements/Highlights	
		In 2010, efforts have focused on reviewing lessons learnt from previously implemented TLDPs, establishing baselines and liaising with/identifying potential partners in the countries this project will work in.	
		Two partners were identified in Tonga and Fiji, both faith-based organisations: The South Pacific Association of Theological Schools (Fiji) and Sia'atoutai Theological School (Tonga). A TOT for participating leaders from these FBOs is planned for Q1 2011. The aim of the TOT workshop will be to:	
		 a. Involve Christian leaders in the HIV response through raising their awareness and sensitizing them with regards to various aspects of the epidemic, including stigma and discrimination b. Build on the global momentum gained in and familiarize participants with relevant Christian Leaders Declarations and Position Papers on the HIV response 	
		 c. Familiarize the participants with the Christian Religious Leaders Kit in Response to HIV as a practical tool on how to integrate messages related to HIV and AIDS in their work d. Equip the Christian Leaders attending with the skills and tools needed to convey the message to their peers and train others e. Adapt the TOT Training Manual which was used in the Arab states to the Pacific context and to be used for the TOT in the three project countries 	
		Challenges	
		There were initial challenges in identifying potential partners among the PICs and ensuring that these	

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		\$115,007	\$0	\$7	Funds were disbursed in November 2009. Acquittal reports were submitted in January and May 2011 with less than 85% of the disbursed funds acquitted. No additional funds were disbursed as of May 2011.			
Multi Country Project	Foundation of the Peoples of the South Pacific International (FSPI)		oing Stones project	v 1 0	ween the SPC Prevention Cluster and the FSPI	Pacific Regional Stepping Stones Retr		
	(R01SFP01)	programme through 2009 and though t	th the provision of the it is a labour-inte	technical assistance, and re ensive programme, it has p	coordination of the regional Stepping Stones esource mobilisation. The project commenced in provided clear indications of behaviour change at therefore should be continue to be supported	otopping Stories Reti		

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		and rolled-out.	
		Programmatic Achievements/Highlights	
		 The development and distribution of the Community Facilitator Journal assisted community facilitators in collecting quantitative data regarding their Stepping Stones workshops, and is a tool used by project managers and coordinators in supervising community facilitators and gauging their progress in facilitating Stepping Stones workshops in their communities. 	
		 Many requests for reprinting of the Stepping Stones Manual and M&E Toolkit were met in 2010. Manuals in English, I-Kiribati and Bislama were reprinted and distributed to support national trainings of community facilitators and implementation of Stepping Stones in new communities. 	
		• Editions 1-4 of the Stepping Stones newsletter were distributed in 2010. There continues to be positive feedback from countries regarding the newsletters. Progressively, more article contributions from country partners were received and included in the newsletter. The newsletter aims to share and promote Stepping Stones experiences from around the region and internationally, to increase collaboration around the region, and also attempts to document the impacts and success stories that are happening around the region. It is widely distributed electronically and in hard copy format.	
		• From continuous strong support from the Fiji MOH, in April 2010, the project supported a national community facilitator's training for 23 facilitators, which included two male facilitators from Guam. Under the Cross Pacific Sharing Initiative, two experienced facilitators from the Solomon Islands were present to assist in the training of the facilitators. Based on feedback from previous evaluations, two more sessions were added to the 10 day training: one session to specifically address the issue of gender in order to build facilitators' understanding of gender issues and to increase their confidence in discussing such issues with their community members, and the second session showed how the use of drama can be used as a powerful tool to educate communities.	

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		Building on the strong relationship with the Fiji MOH, funds were released to FSPI to manage the roll-	
		out of Stepping Stones in 8 Fiji communities. This has involved the administrative management of	
		facilitator and community payments and M&E TA support. The two male advocates have provided	
		additional support for facilitators during the gender-based violence sessions and gender relations	
		discussions. Though not funded by the project, but certainly a related activity, the roll-out in Fiji was	
		possible through collaboration and commitment from the national level for Stepping Stones. A positive	
		working relationship has been developed with the Ministry and has resulted in FSPI and MOH	
		collaborating on various other initiatives (e.g. the World AIDS Day celebrations, Fiji Reproductive	
		Health Policy, etc.). From the Fiji work plan developed at the retreat, facilitators mapped out activities	
		for further roll-out and capacity building in the area of M&E and gender analysis. A proposal has been sent to the Fiji MOH seeking these funds for roll-out in 2011.	
		• In May, the project funded a stakeholder's meeting in Tonga to introduce Stepping Stones to potential	
		partners and collaborators. As a result, Tonga expressed interest in rolling out Stepping Stones in 2011.	
		• In August, the Solomon Islands National Training was conducted. For this activity, the project funded	
		Nelly Hano's attendance as a co-facilitator to the training, and provided manuals and community	
		journals for the training. The training was coordinated by the in-country facilitator team from MOH,	
		SIPPA and Oxfam, and funded by Save the Children. The training had a total of 44 participants from the various community and civil society organizations.	
		Remaining funds from an initial tranche that was sent to SPC North for TA to Guam and Chuuk was	
		used to conduct a monitoring trip to Chuuk and to conduct M&E Toolkit training for four facilitators in	
		Guam. In Chuuk, it was noted that community facilitators had a better understanding of stigma,	
		discrimination and gender equality issues and how it relates to HIV and STIs, and had demonstrated	
		more confidence and leadership qualities. Furthermore, it was noted that there has been an increase in	
		collaboration and partnership with the Chuuk State and FSM National Government and other	
		stakeholder agencies in Chuuk for Stepping Stones activities. The visit provided an opportunity for the	
		Chuuk group to discuss successes, lessons learnt and challenges and ways to address these challenges.	

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		In Guam, the capacity for the core Stepping Stones support group on the use of the M&E Toolkit and	
		processes was improved. It is envisioned that this TA role for the North will continue to be provided by	
		SPC, and also once the Prevention Adviser SPC comes on board.	
		• This reporting period saw the inaugural Stepping Stones Retreat conducted in Fiji from the $22^{nd} - 26^{th}$	
		November. Stepping Stones countries present at the retreat included Fiji, Solomon Islands, Kiribati,	
		Vanuatu, Guam and Chuuk, FSM. As countries who are interested in implementing Stepping Stones in	
		2011, participants from Papua New Guinea (PNG), Tonga and Cook Islands were also present. There	
		were a total of 30 participants and 8 lead resource people involved in the retreat. Additional support was	
		sought from The International Women's Development Agency, The Pacific Islands AIDS Foundation	
		(PIAF), Salamander Trust (UK), SPC, the MOH Fiji and UNIFEM Pacific. All participants stated that	
		the retreat allowed them to learn how to better implement Stepping Stones in their countries and	
		communities. Key comments included; "the opportunity to share and compare makes me more	
		confident that we are implementing Stepping Stones well in Solomon Islands", "the retreat was an	
		excellent opportunity to learn from partners" and "I now know that we have to work closely with	
		existing bodies to help support Stepping Stones. We cannot work alone". The most useful aspects of the	
		retreat as identified by participants included country presentations, sharing and discussing with other	
		facilitators, learnt the importance of M&E, had the opportunity to participate in new sessions on	
		homosexuality and migration, witnessed the work done in Fiji on gender and engaging men and	
		designing national/country work-plans. On the final day of the retreat, countries completed a national	
		Stepping Stones work plan of activities for 2011. The FSPI Regional Health Manager and Gender and	
		HIV Officer worked with countries to ensure all capacity requirements would be met.	
		• Key achievements from the inaugural retreat included, 1) agreement of the development of 3 new	
		Stepping Stones modules including sessions on homosexuality, migration and basic gender awareness,	
		2) countries shared lessons and learned from each other's implementation, 3) Fiji was able to showcase	
		its work on engaging men and the use of drama and facilitated discussion to strengthen gender analysis	
		skills resulting all countries attending wanting to implement similar work, 4) a selection criteria for all	
		future cross-Pacific sharing activities (with both facilitator and FSPI obligations) was created, and 5)	
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		gathered information which will contribute to the up-dating of the Stepping Stones M&E Toolkit (G-Scale update and Analysis Sheet)	
		The retreat provided a time for reflection and stock-take on the work of the Pacific Stepping Stones Programme since its inception. It was also a chance to bring together the Stepping Stones family of facilitators and put a face to people that had been communicating regularly over email, phone. etc. It was a week that forged new friendships and re-acquainted old ones. As echoed by one participant on her experience at the retreat:	
		"It was an amazing week! It was fantastic to be amongst so many inspiring, warm and dedicated people, all passionate about implementing and developing Stepping Stones. The new sessions developed in the Pacific such as gender violence, teenage pregnancy and Kava use are very powerful and address the priority needs of communities. They've also created some really cheeky and fun new energisers. The level of dynamism and creativity being poured into the programme is astounding. Thank you again to you all for your wonderful Bula ("welcome") and for giving me a real taste of Pacific culture;-)" Amandine Bollinger, Salamander Trust UK	
		Most Significant Change Story	
		During my married life I make sure that my wife stays at home and does everything that I want and never to confront me with my work or why I am coming home late. This is strictly my wife's role as I fear that one day she might become to know or be aware of my extra martial affairs with other women.	
		Now I have major plans and dreams to bring back the trust that I have once lost from my wife. However when I return I will ask for her forgiveness and I will buy her a gift. I feel I owe her a lot which means that it has to be a daily change and daily asking for forgiveness. In addition Stepping Stones has helped my see that my wife is a crucial partner to make decision and now I will ask her to contribute with me. Furthermore, I really want to talk to the other older men in the village and we all make a change to the high amount of violence against women.	
		Challenges	

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		with communities and maintaining momentum with participation and commitment all Stepping Stones countries. The need for improved me and the challenges faced in carrying out the M&E e gender stereotypes with community members e				
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		Disburs Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Total Acquittals to 31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative	
		\$141,352	\$96,967	\$86,699	As of December 2010, 57% of the total grant was disbursed and 44% was acquitted. More than 85% of the disbursed funds were acquitted in 2011 and additional funds were disbursed in early 2011.	
Multi Country Project	New Zealand AIDS Foundation (NZAF) (RNZNAF01)	General Comments The MSM Resiliency Project has been developed as a package of activities and interventions working with a number of partners that aim to reduce the prevalence of undiagnosed HIV and STIs, prevent onward transmission of HIV, reduce health inequalities, and reduce discrimination for Pacific gay men, bisexual men, non-identifying Pacific Island MSMs (fa'afafine, akava'ine and fakaleiti) and other Pacific transgender people. The project mainly focuses on building the capacity of two organizations in the South Pacific, the Samoa AIDS Foundation (SAF) and the Tonga Leiti Association (TLA) to better serve and support MSMs in their communities, and to establish the Pacific Sexual Diversity Network (PSDN) and to support efforts to implement PSDN's strategic plan.				

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		The model of intervention will be to build capacity in the following areas: • Increasing access to services support (service marketing and social marketing using culturally appropriate models) • Youth development workshops • Organisational mentoring and support • Leadership mentoring • Funding advice and support	
		 Business development skills training Organising fono that gather Pacific MSM together to celebrate diversity, build networks, empower Pacific MSM and provide leadership and governance skills Advocacy skills training to enable Pacific organisations to advocate for policy and/or legislative change that improve access to sexual health care and human rights for MSM Programmatic Achievements/Highlights 	
		 Establishment of the Project Management Committee (PMC) with all partners as key members to oversee the development, implementation and monitoring of the project Consultation and establishment of MOU with in-country partners – Tonga Leiti Association, Samoa AIDS Foundation and Pacific Sexual Diversity Network (PSDN) and Work Plan developed with partners. From April-July 2010, NZAF conducted intensive work in-country with SAF that included the following key activities: SWOT analysis specifically related to SAF clinical service and peer support programme completed Workshop held for SAF staff and key stakeholders on increasing access to SAF sexual health services using social marketing approaches Discussions with SAF on the key priorities for support of peer education programme Specific workshops and tailored individual training for peer educators From April-July 2010, NZAF conducted intensive work in-country with TLA that included the 	

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		following key activities: 1. Development of a strategic plan for the TLA, including an initial planning agreement with TLA	
		members; member SWOT analysis workshop; two member residential workshops; individual and group stakeholder consultation. The plan was launched by a member of the Tongan Royal Family at the Miss Galaxy Pageant.	
		 Establishment of a funding sub-group of TLA members and training of the group to prepare funding applications 	
		3. Support to formalize TLA partnership with the Tonga Police to develop work to respond to sexual violence against Leitis in Tonga	
		 Support to prepare an Expression of Interest (EoI) for the AusAID Human Rights Grants Scheme Support to establish an in-country stakeholder advisory group (including MOH, Tonga Family Health, Police representatives) to advice TLA on issues related to programme delivery, funding, governance and management 	
		 Partnership work between the NZAF and PSDN was focused on identifying funding for the PSDN. The significant feature of this work was supporting the PSDN Chair and Board members to prepare a funding application for Dutch donor, HIVOS (www.hivos.nl). This included the development of a two-year work programme based on the PSDN strategic plan and a matching budget. An evaluation of the project after one year of implementation was conducted. Recommendations included: 	
		 Re-design of the evaluation framework into a logical framework with outputs and revised indicators Continue to promote participatory approaches in the planning, design, and implementation of the programme Develop a partnership framework that clearly delineates roles and responsibilities of partners as well 	
		 as NZAF expectations and anticipated outputs 4. Foster regular communication between NZAF and partners to extend technical assistance as well as the benefits of the NZAF supported activities. This will require enhanced dialogue and communication skills on the part of the implementing partners as well as proper guidance from NZAF. 	

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		 5. Explore innovative ways and alternative methods, such as remote assistance, to build institutional and technical capacity of partners 6. Strengthen partnerships with other donor organisations supporting the PSDN 7. Maintain current activities, despite implementation difficulties and possibly expand them to support the sustainability, effectiveness, and impact of the Programme's wider outcomes 					
		Challenges					
		 PSDN has been unable to operationalise its strategic plan due to lack of funding While the new TLA strategic plan is clear and strong, the lack of any organisational capacity within the TLA will be a significant barrier to implementing the plan (no staff or organizational capacity to do the activities identified). Part of the current strategic plan will be to create a position that will provide the capacity to support and implement activities. Change of Executive Director and structure and SAF. SAF as current host of PSDN secretariat, but no funding available to SAF to continue supporting PSDN in this way. 					
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	Disbursements Cumulative FY 2010 (AUD\$) (AUD\$) Total Acquittals to 31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$) Financial Narrative						
		\$132,041	\$84,152	\$136,306	33% of the total grant was disbursed as of December 2010 and 1.03% of the disbursed funds were over acquitted. Additional funds were disbursed in 2011.		

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Multi Country Project	Pacific Islands AIDS Foundation (PIAF) (R01PIA01)	HIV-positive people have been largely excluded from participating in research on HIV and AIDS in the Pacific region. The exclusion of HIV-positive people from research initiatives has meant that understanding of the lives and experiences of people living with HIV (PLHIV) is inadequate. The scarcity of evidence and lack of understanding of the lives of HIV-positive people impedes the progress of strategic actions that support the realization of the rights of PLHIV. The research initiatives proposed by PIAF under the RF Stream 5 grant will aim to 1) contribute toward addressing the need to produce research that is grounded in the lives and perspectives of PLWH, 2) collaborate with and build the capacities of HIV-positive people, and 3) ultimately support strategic actions that will contribute to improving the lives of HIV-positive people in the Pacific. RF funding will enable PIAF to conduct two research projects. The first research project, will examine women's vulnerability to HIV in the Pacific context. The second research project will involve collaboration with a research team of HIV-positive people to act as data collectors in investigating satisfaction of treatment and medical care among HIV-positive people in the Pacific. Programmatic Achievements/Highlights • In 2010, one of the main highlights for the research project entitled "Increasing Knowledge and Understanding of the Lives of HIV-Positive People in the Pacific through Research and Communication" was that significant progress was made in completing the report for the Women and HIV project. The Research Officer was able to code, analyse, and write up (in draft form) the data that was collected during fieldwork. The findings focus on the experiences of women living with HIV and there are specific sections focusing on their experiences of 1) Diagnosis and Disclosure, 2) Health Services, 3) Living with HIV, 4) Being a Woman with HIV, and 5) Ideas about HIV. The insights and observations on these issues have generated analysis that will be outlined in	

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		 Information-sharing of the findings from the Women and HIV research project at conferences and meetings such as ICAAP, International AIDS Conference, Cook Islands National AIDS Committee meetings, PIAF staff meetings and trainings, and the Pacific Wayfinders and Changemakers meeting held in British Columbia, Canada. Feedback received from stakeholders of the reports and findings have been integrated into the final report which should be completed by early 2011. Challenges Conducting in-depth trainings by the peer researchers Maintaining regular contact with individuals with the research activities Inaccurate budget and underestimated timeframe in implementing key activities. The SR has made adjustments to the work-plan to speed up implementation of research activities to ensure completion of project within the agreed-upon time frame 					
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		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative		
		\$130,514	\$84,705	\$156,210	35% of the total grant was disbursed as of December 2010 with 1.19% of the disbursed funds over-acquitted in 2010. Additional funds were disbursed in 2011.		
Multi Country Project	Foundation of the Peoples of the South Pacific International (FSPI)	The project aims to issues, gender sens	General Comments The project aims to develop network partners' capacity to be responsive to sexual and reproductive health issues, gender sensitivity and HIV and AIDS across the workplace, organisational and community settings. This will involve designing a workplace HIV Strategy and providing training to all community				

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	(R01FPS01)	educators/facilitators in HIV, gender sensitisation and stigma and discrimination. This strategy will implement tangible HIV responsive outcomes such as ensuring network partners, and that programmes operate as condom distribution points, actively participate and collaborate with UNFPA's Comprehensive Condom Programme, provide communities with access to information and awareness materials, promote and respond to community requests to be involved in the Stepping Stones processes, and build the capacity of community facilitators as SS facilitators; and where possible ensure the inclusion of positive people and groups in order to ensure an HIV-sensitised workplace.	
		The project is focused on the formulation of a Pacific relevant workforce HIV policy development training. FSPI, through this project, aspires to create a HIV-Compliant Workforce Criteria that the organizations involved in policy development can implement. Consultations are being held with PIAF and FJN+ to achieve these objectives.	
		Programmatic Achievements/Highlights	
		• A joint initiative from the FSPI Regional Heath Team, the Fiji Ministry of Labour, Industrial Relations and Employment under their National Occupational Health Safety (OHS) Service and other agencies, saw the first Training of Trainers on the National Code of Practice for HIV and AIDS in the workplace conducted on the 26 th , 27 th and 29 th of April 2010 in Suva. The project supported the attendance of the FSPI Regional Health team and the 3 Network Partners, PCDF (Fiji), SIDT (Solomon Islands) and TCDT (Tonga) who will be developing their HIV workplace policies.	
		Participants explored the impact of HIV and AIDS in the workplace, the different elements of the Code of Practice and its application in detail, the existing laws, and the 10 key principles of the ILO Code of Practice (of which the Fiji National Code of Practice is grounded on). The training culminated with participants working in their individual organizations to develop their own workplace policy.	
		The training provided an ideal opportunity for the Regional Health Programme and Network Partners to sit and begin discussion on the development of a HIV strategy and what a HIV and AIDS-friendly	

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		workplace would look like. This enabled the team to begin to think about workplace policies that ensure tangible activities are developed to implement a HIV workplace policy (e.g. the availability of condoms at the reception area of an organization) conducting HIV and AIDS awareness trainings twice a year with employees and their families, and engaging positive peoples in in-house and programme HIV and AIDS-related work. Feedback from the regional participants to the training was encouraging in that it enabled them to start their policy development process with more knowledge and confidence on HIV and AIDS and its impact on the workplace.			
		• Supported the attendance of FJN+ in regional trainings. During the training FSPI engaged with PIAF who facilitated sessions on human rights, the law and legislation. FSPI and PIAF have since signed a MOU which will ensure that workplace polices employ human rights-based approaches and protect and promote the protection of PLHIV at the workplace.			
		 The newly recruited Project Officer has completed two key trainings, these being the FWCC gender training and the MOL HIV in the workplace TOT. This will ensure that workplace policies are gender responsive and comply with relevant HIV law and legislation in the respective network partner countries. 			
		 Policy training has been conducted with the network partners in Tonga, Fiji and the Solomon Islands and drafts of their HIV workplace policies have been developed. Key CSOs and Government agencies were represented at these trainings. Other organisations present at the training expressed an interest in developing their own policies for their workplace. 			
		• The project met its output of developing 3 Network partner HIV workplace strategies: TCDT, SIDT and PCDF in 2010. Additional policies that were developed were FSPI and MENFiji making it a total of five policies developed in 2010. The SIDT HIV workplace policy has been endorsed by their Board and a second draft is in the process of being developed and necessary arrangements have been made to implement the policy via a committee and an annual review of the policy planned. In Fiji, two of the policies are still in their first draft (FSPI and MENFiji) and are awaiting further input from staff that were not able to attend the training. PCDF has developed their second draft. Their policy has been			

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		presented to	their Board for ap	proval.			
		the importar	 Organisations have displayed commitment and motivation to developing their workplace policies and the important role the workplace plays in advocating for the rights of PLHIV and those affected, and also in addressing the issues of HIV in the workplace 				
		be responsiv	•	reproductive health issues	I awareness of FSPI and its Network partners to s, gender sensitivity and HIV and AIDS across		
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		, .,,	, ,,	· · · /	As of December 2010, 44% of the total grant		
		\$159,605	\$93,662	\$106,679	was disbursed with 67% acquitted. Additional		
		ŕ	·	·	funds were disbursed and acquitted in May		
					2011.		
Multi Country Project	Burnet Institute Pacific	General Comment	ts				
Troject		Given the high rates	of STIs in the Pa	cific and the priorities ide	ntified within PRSIP II, there is a real need to		

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	(R01BIP01)	explore improved strategies to control STIs. Point of Care (POC) diagnostic tests have the potential to enhance existing strategies, particularly when used as a screening tool among the asymptomatic population. Governments and technical experts/organisations working in the area of SRH need guidelines to assist decision-making about the uptake of such tests; and they need to understand the circumstances in which point-of-care tests will improve patient management and where to invest their money. Where governments see value in adding point-of-care rapid tests to their existing STI control strategy, they will need to understand the various regulatory, policy, programming, training and monitoring/evaluation implications for different levels of the health system. This project seeks to support SPC and the STI Working Group to further build the capacity of PICs to implement their national responses to HIV and STIs. Specifically, it would result in the development and trialling of an operational tool to assist governments to appraise the suitability of STI point-of-care rapid tests in various contexts, and to guide uptake where appropriate.	
		Programmatic Achievements/Highlights As of the end of 2010, the first three phases of the project progressed which included a desk review of the current status of new diagnostic tests and their use and syndromic management in the region; facilitating a regional forum of key experts in the field and region to discuss the implications for PICs of introducing rapid diagnostic testing; and developing an draft toolkit and guidelines for introducing rapid tests and strengthening STI management. Challenges There were numerous challenges this year which severely delayed the progress of this project. It became clear that the original intent of using the Cambridge Chlamydia Rapid Test was not feasible since the sample collect procedure for the CRT did not allow it to be used at the point of care.	

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		Given this, it was considered to use a syphilis test instead of the CRT and to base the pilot in Vanuatu. During a fact finding mission to assess the possibility of conducting the study in Vanuatu, it was apparent that further research and consideration was needed to understand the following: whether a POC test for syphilis is needed/justified in Vanuatu and if introduction of a POC/syphilis test is justified, what decisions need to be made before proceeding with implementation? As a result of this reflection and exploring such questions, it highlighted the need to include in the toolkit and guidelines more guidance on exploring such issues. Furthermore, as a result of these questions being raised, it allowed the SR to identify several key challenges in gathering information to allow for planning for the introduction of a POC/syphilis test in Vanuatu. Some key conclusions were that: • Vanuatu may not be the most suitable place to pilot a POC/syphilis test, because of the background high prevalence of yaws which presents similar symptoms as syphilis; and • in any setting, the benefits of introducing an existing POC/syphilis test may be outweighed by the possible benefits of using one of the 'more advanced' newly developed tests, such as a test that can screen and confirm at the same time. These conclusions had implications for the selection of the proposed pilot site and test and the SR is in current discussions with the STI Technical Working group to advise on what test should be used for the pilot, and where the pilot study should occur. Until then the project is temporarily on hold until such discussions can be had with the TWG. It is anticipated that by 2011 these decisions will be made and implementation of the remaining phases of the project will be completed by the end of 2011. Due to the significant delays and shifts in project implementation, this grant may need an extension beyond 2011.					
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		(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)			
		\$77,288	\$20,942	\$64,575	38% of the total grant disbursed as of December 2010, and 84% of the disbursed funds were acquitted. Additional funds were disbursed in 2011.		
Multi Country Project	Burnet Institute Pacific (R01BIP02)	that there is a need national strategies quality standards important that con are able to defined. The aim of this property of the strength planning results of the strength planning results. To ensure monitoring the standard of the strength planning results of th	ding response to HIV ed to ensure that PIC es, country work plan to guide the implementation of the cap expriorities, and ident roject is threefold: then the capacity of Se monitoring and evaluation; and apacity at country le and support national chievements/Highl ment of a regional plan to the property of the capacity at country leads to the capacity at capacity	Es have in place a national as and monitoring and evenentation and evaluation acity to translate their restify the resources necessary. SPC in its newly-assigned action at the country level egional Partners to the application at the resources to the application at the monitoring frame experience of the planning frame experience.	ordinators and national planning teams, to works. of participants from SPC HIV & STI Unit,	Draft NSF Roadmap.docx RMI Capacity Assessment Tool.doc: RMI Quality Assessment Tool.doc:	

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		• Continuing engagement of PICs. The Project Coordinator presented an outline of the rroject goal and approach at the NAC/CDO meeting in Fiji In June 2010. During the course of that meeting, representatives of six countries (Kiribati, Solomon Islands, Marshall Islands, Niue, Palau and Tonga) met with the Coordinator to discuss how the Project could support their strategic frameworks for the response to HIV and STI. Follow-up field visits were arranged for three countries (Kiribati, Solomon's and RMI).	
		• Development, testing and adaptation of Tools for Strengthening Planning, Monitoring & Evaluation: Three tools, the Road Map, the Capacity Assessment Tool and the Quality Self-Assessment Tool, were developed for use at country level. The Road Map outlines and explains the key elements of the 8 phases of the strategic framework at national level; completion of this tool provides a framework for consultation to develop and establish a national strategic framework, including the formation of a national planning team. The Capacity Assessment Tool (CAT) guides national planning team members (or proposed members) to assess their level of skills and experience, as a group, in leading the development of a national strategic framework. A capacity development programme is developed as a result of this assessment. The Quality Self-Assessment Tool (QSAT) assists National Planning team members to assess the quality (the strengths and weaknesses) of their existing national strategic framework, identify the current status of the framework, determine the next step for engagement and explore areas for strengthening. The tools have been tested and adapted in the Solomon Islands, FSM and the Marshall Islands.	
		• Four in-country workshops (Kiribati, Solomon Islands, FSM and the Marshall Islands) to assess each countries' readiness to commence planning was conducted where national planning teams were established, reviews of NSPs were scheduled, capacity needs were assessed and training programmes developed and finalised.	
		• Finalisation of the Vanuatu Monitoring & Evaluation Framework - a field visit conducted by the SR took place in May 2010. This followed on from earlier work under TSF grant in Oct-Dec 2009. The	

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		MEF is now complete.					
		Challenges					
		 Countries unable to commit to timelines for workshops and other field visits Regional Partners are unable to commit to timelines for engagement at country level There is an apparent need to identify a sub-regional organisation to provide assistance and support to North Pacific islands and territories in strategic planning Whilst participatory approaches ensures that approaches build from and respect local knowledge and experience, national and regional counterparts may lack confidence, or an 'objective' sense of 'quality standards' when self-assessing their skills and capacity to lead the Strategic Planning processes. In tandem with this, implementing participatory localized approaches to costing tools and developing Planning and M&E skills takes time – and will stretch available resources. Current project resources cannot meet the requests of all countries and therefore, a select few countries are receiving direct TA assistance through the project. Health Ministries may find that they face priorities other than HIV/STIs, or are challenged by weaknesses across broader network of national government agencies (with weak health or other 					
		Financial Data Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$449,800.00					
		Disburs		Total Acquittals to 31	110 D 477,000.00	-	
		Cumulative FY 2010 Dec 2010 Financial Narrative					
		(AUD\$) (AUD\$)					
					Funds were disbursed in October 2009 with		
		\$36,971	\$0	\$12,561	only one acquittal report submitted in 2010,		
					and with only 33% of the disbursed funds		
					acquitted. Additional funds were acquitted and		

Country	Organisation	Narrative						
					disbursed in 2011.			
Multi Country Project	SPC Human Development Programme (HDP) (R01SHD01)	The project comme project. It is coordi the project and other	General Comments The project commenced in July 2010 and has struggled due the absence of a dedicated person to manage the project. It is coordinated by the Manager of the SPC Human Development Programme (HDP) who is juggling the project and other work commitments. The GMU has held several meetings to move forward the implementation of the project.					
		 Programmatic Achievements/Highlights A study was commissioned in July 2010 for the Gender and Women's Human Right's Audit of the PRSIP II. Ms Marion Quinn undertook this assignment assisted by the GMU, the PRSIP Coordinator, and Dr Dennie Iniakwala. A report is expected in early 2011. The study will include site visits to Fiji, Kiribati and Tonga. The findings will assist in a review and inclusion of gender and women's human rights issues with PRSIP II. Challenges This is a one year project, however, timely reporting has been an issue given the lack of resources at HDP. This has only recently been assisted with the recruitment of a Project Assistant at HDP. 						
			Financial Data Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$149,000.00					
		Disburse		Total Acquittals to 31	Financial Narrative			

Country	Organisation	Narrative				Documents	
		Cumulative	FY 2010	Dec 2010			
		(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)			
		\$13,964	\$13,964	\$14	Funds were transferred in the first half of 2010 and have yet to be acquitted. Only 9% of the total grant has been transferred. Follow up action has been done by the GMU team and acquittals will be reflected in the 2011 period.		
Multi Country Project	Pacific Conference of Churches (PCC) (R01PCA01)	Many of the region that range from lead acknowledged that issues and based of Originally, the pro 1) Leadership 2) Prevention 3) To engended and a curricular HIV and A 4) Coordination 5) Increase away support HI	support HIV+ mothers and their children; and				

Country	Organisation	Narrative	Documents
		only indicates 3 of the five activities listed above. SPC GMU is currently in discussions with the SR to assess human resources and capacity and finalisation of the RF logframe is set to be in July 2011.	
		Programmatic Achievements/Highlights	
		 In order to continue building support and understanding of the project within the PCC, an internal assessment of staffs' knowledge regarding HIV was conducted. The results of the knowledge survey conducted in-house illustrated the need to conduct basic HIV 101 sessions among staff of the organization, and highlighted the need to develop an HIV workplace policy for the organization. Support to the Lakeba Road show Campaign 2010: HIV STOPS WITH ME CAMPAIGN and the Gate Keeper Initiative. The Gate Keepers Initiative is intended to revamp member churches' commitments and to ensure the sustainability of HIV information whereby community church members act as "gate keepers" and distribute IEC materials, and act as the key contact in any event where HIV-related services are required. 	
		 World AIDS Day Campaign: Establishing a Hardship Grant for People Living with HIV. The PCC marked the day with singing, dances and various performances to commemorate and stand in solidarity with PLHIV in Fiji. The pilot project of establishing a Hardship Grant for PLHIV aims to address the daily needs and basic necessities of HIV+ people that will enhance efforts on positive prevention, health and dignity. PCC member churches, through this initiative, have been engaged in supporting PLHIV in a more holistic and practical manner. Simultaneously, the activity has drawn attention on church commitment as stipulated in the Nadi Declaration which is to "encourage family members to understand HIV&AIDS, providing assistance on how to physically care for positive people, upholding the biblical teachings of Jesus Christ to love one another without discrimination and the church must engage and encourage testimonies of people living with HIV". Distribution of 800 Red Ribbons in 5 PICs. PCC, during its Red Ribbon Campaign, encouraged church 	

Country	Organisation	Narrative	Documents
		 leaders to highlight pressing issues that are affecting those infected and affected by HIV. This was a vital opportunity to educate church leaders and the community at-large the meaning of the red ribbon. In 2010, PCC conducted three community sessions on basic HIV 101 and Stigma and Discrimination. The session was conducted in Nabaka Village, the Indonesian Embassy targeting seafarers, and with the UNICEF staff. PCC through its mission to support PLHIV and its member churches disseminated IEC materials including condoms and femidom. NB: due to the sensitivity and controversial nature of condoms, PCC's stand is to not promote condom and promiscuity, but to provide options for young people, youths, street kids and the public in general. 	
		 Challenges Insufficient information on the needs of other countries, and therefore current work plan might not fully address the needs of member churches Lack of resources to adhere to the call and demand of church members throughout the Oceania region Lack of knowledge on HIV and AIDS information and legislation exist is countries project is being implemented Staffing and capacity issues: A significant amount of time was lost in identifying the current project manager, however, due to capacity issues and other factors, project manager was placed on suspension until issues were resolved. SR will need further guidance and assistance from SPC GMU to ensure reporting is improved and complete. Other regional partners are addressing the need to train up FBO leaders as HIV advocates, therefore it will be important to ensure coordination among those partners to avoid duplicating efforts and activities and/or activities are complementary 	
		Financial Data	

Country	Organisation		Narrative				
			Total Lif	etime Grant Commitme	nt – AUD\$350,000.00		
		Disbu	irsements	Total Acquittals to 31			
		Cumulative	FY 2010	Dec 2010	Financial Narrative		
		(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)			
					Funds were disbursed in December 2009 and		
		\$98,049	\$0	\$9	acquittal reports were submitted to SPC in		
		\$70,047	ΨΟ	ΨΣ	2011 with less than 85% of disbursed funds		
					acquitted. No additional disbursements were		
					requested as of May 2011.		
Country Project	Clinical Support Cluster, HIV and STI Section, SPC (R01STC01)	Technical Team treatment and c	Care and Counsell aims to provide a	treatment and care progra cific. This involves labora	ant coordinated by the SPC Treatment and Care imme that focuses on strengthening STI and HIV atory-related programmes, STI Management and	Policy ecommendation_stra	
	 Programmatic Achievements/Highlights The completion of validation for HIV rapid test - The TCC Cluster worked closely with the National Reference Laboratory (NRL) in Australia supporting the validation of the HIV rapid test. The result of the validation will be used to support countries to have the HIV confirmatory testing carried out in the countries. The roll-out of the new HIV testing algorithm will be implemented in 2011. The revision of the Strategy for STI Control. In response to the STI epidemic in the PICTs, the Pacific Regional Sexually Transmitted Infection Working Group (STI WG) headed by the SPC STI Advisor developed an updated Recommendation for STI Control for the region. The summary and the details of 					Recommendation ackage for STI contributions of Chla	

Country	Organisation			Narrative		Documents
	the Recommendation have been shared with the countries. The implementation of the new strategy will be started in 2011. 3. Based on the recommendation, the proposal has been developed and submitted under GF HIV Round 7 Phase 2. This will allow SPC and countries to secure some funds to support the implementation of the new strategy.					
		 Challenges Absence of a dedicated laboratory specialist based in SPC has affected the implementation of STI/HIV activities, and requiring support from another SPC laboratory specialist originally supporting the surveillance of other communicable and vector-borne infections The slow responses from the country level 				
				Financial Dat	a	
				etime Grant Commitme	nt – AUD\$420,000.00	
		Disbursen Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Total Acquittals to 31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative	
		\$177,438	\$0	\$139,732	The RF TCC Stream 5 grant acquitted total of 79% against the funds that was disbursed. A total of 42% was disbursed against the total approved grant for the TCC. It was noted that in the first half of 2010 only 22% was acquitted against the disbursed amount, and the project increased their spending in the second six months by 56% of the disbursed amount, reflecting a rapid growth in the implementation	

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			of activities. A total of 51%, or \$71,537, acquitted was attributed to training activities in–country. 17% was for payments of staff costs involved in the project, while 22% was attributed to operating costs. 9%, or \$11885, was attributed to payments to consultants, and 1% was attributed to travel costs.			
Country	UNICEF (R00UNC01)	(MARAs), youth and women. The air 1) Engage and increase the capar providing opportunities to de environment for programming innovative use of technology at 2) Prevent parent-to-child transit women, build the capacity contribute to establishment of Programmatic Achievements/Highl	acity of MARAs by supporting the establishment of youth-friendly RHS, evelop social lifeskills, Peer Education trainings, facilitating an enabling and interventions aimed specifically for youth, and through the and media to communicate prevention messages. mission by increasing awareness and access to PMTCT+ services for of public sector organisations for PMTCT service provision, and to quality improvement systems for PMTCT+ services integration.			

Country	Organisation	Narrative	Documents
Country	Organisation	especially vulnerable adolescents and young people (EVA/EVYP) Baseline survey for Most at Risk and Especially Vulnerable Adolescents and Young People: The completion of the 2009-2010 HIV/AIDS Baseline Study which looked at the knowledge, attitudes and practices of vulnerable young people in the Solomon Islands, Vanuatu and Kiribati has been key in developing and designing interventions for MARAs for this project. In addition, the project has assisted Fiji in developing TORs to define their criteria for most at risk youth in relation to HIV/STIs. Peer Education Trainings: In this reporting period a total of 109 Youth Peer Educators were trained in Fiji, Vanuatu and Kiribati. Peer educators provide information and skills to their peers on sexual and reproductive health issues including STIs/HIV, and motivate young people to use available health services. Behaviour Change Communication: In the Solomon Islands and Kiribati, key messages on HIV prevention have been developed through participatory work of stakeholders. UNICEF supported both the two countries with technical support. Massages were developed based on formative research and baseline data that had been conducted. The messages are in the form of radio spots and print materials that encourage MARYP and EVYP, as well as pregnant women and their partners to access and utilize services. Capacity of faith and community-based organisations and leaders to respond to HIV: Several meetings were held between UN agencies and FBO leaders in Fiji in which participants discussed how faith-based organisations (FBOs) leaders' requests, UNICEF has contracted a consultant to develop a five-year interfaith strategy on HIV prevention. Youth Friendly Services (YFS): Through its joint programme activities with UNFPA and SPC, UNICEF provided TA to the Solomon Islands, Vanuatu and Kiribati to develop national guidelines on the provision of adolescent and youth-friendly health services. The guidelines are complemented by a monitoring and evaluation plan as well as a step by s	Documents
		While UNICEF has lead the process in three countries, SPC through the joint programme has completed a	

Country	Organisation	Narrative	Documents
		study on current youth health services facilities in 10 PICs. The aim of the study was to develop a regional guideline for the remaining countries to establish minimum standards and improve the quality of the services being provided to young people. In addition, through the joint UNICEF/UNFPA/SPC programme, two youth-friendly centres in FSM (Chuuk and Pohnpei) have been supported. 1,356 students between the ages of 13-19 had visited and used the centres, 346 VCCT for HIV/STI, and 85 had been treated for an STI. Component 2: Prevention of Parent to Child Transmission (PPTCT): • With TA support from UNICEF, the Kiribati National PPTCT policy guideline was revised in line with the new WHO and UNICEF guidelines. The policy guideline was endorsed by MOH and Medical Services of Kiribati in October. In addition, Fiji National PPTCT policy was revised in collaboration with the national stakeholders and a consensus and endorsement meeting was organised in December. • Five PPTCT clinics in South Tarawa (Kiribati), where 50% of the total population resides, started providing HIV Testing and Counselling services in 2010. According to the Health Sector Response to HIV Report, in 2009 only 40% of pregnant women were tested for HIV and knew their results. However, data collected from the clinics between June and August indicated substantial increase of uptake of HIV testing and counselling. • Increased capacity of 66 health care workers to provide quality PMTCT in Fiji and Solomon Islands • Renovation of two health facilities in the Solomon Islands and one in Kiribati was completed and allows integration of PPTCT service into the existing ANC services • Capacity of 5 health facility in Kiribati, Fiji and Solomon Islands was strengthened by the provision of medical and non-medical supplies	
		Challenges	
		• Multiple responsibilities at the country level and partners. There are many partners at the regional level and focal persons find it hard to manage the activities	
		Capacities to address the needs of MARYP and EVYP in planned interventions is still an area that	

Country	Organisation	Narrative					
		needs to be	developed				
				Financial Data	ı		
				ime Grant Commitmen	t – AUD\$450,000.00		
		Disburs		Total Acquittals to 31			
		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative		
		\$248,786	\$198,771	\$50,036	This project commenced in October 2009. A total of 80%, or \$198771, of the grant value was disbursed in 2010. 20% of the disbursed funds were acquitted in 2010. Additional acquittal reports were submitted to SPC in 2011.		
Multi Country Project	Pacific Legislatures for Population and Governance Incorporated (PIPG Inc) (R01SPP01)	This organisation has Governance Incorporated and advocated HIV Rarotonga, Cook Is start as it was being	General Comments This organisation has undergone a restructure and is now called the Pacific Legislatures for Population and Governance Incorporated (PLPG, Inc.). Whilst the project has not yet commenced in 2010, PLPG has profiled and advocated HIV and youth issues through its HIV Champions Campaign. The organisation is now located in Rarotonga, Cook Islands (relocated from SPC Suva). The transition process affected the ability of the project to start as it was being manned by one person. The agreement is that the project will commence the 1 st July 2011. Programmatic Achievements/Highlights N/A				

Country	Organisation		Narrative						
		Previous attempts	Remote communication has been a challenge. A site visit is planned in early 2011to move the project forward. Previous attempts to consult with the coordinator through email, phone calls and via visiting SPC staff have been unsuccessful.						
				Financial Data	a				
		D. I		Setime Grant Commitmen	t – AUD\$200,000.00				
		Disbursements Total Acquittals to 31							
		\$0	\$0	\$0					
Multi Country Project	International Labor Organization (ILO) (R01ILO01)	1. Build upon in Fiji and are aware ensure its seed as a seed a seed and a seed aware of the seed are aware of the seed aware of the seed are aware of the seed are aware of the seed awa	Cs governments, the existing work does the tripartite partner of workplace polices ustainability. The existing on Hard in the existing on Hard intervention, will focus on the existing the existing the existing of the existing and the existing the existing implementation of the existing the existing implementation of the existing the existing the existing implementation of the existing the ex	ne in the areas of workplace ers in Kiribati, PNG, Solor ies, but do not have workplace, the project will focus on the licy (under the Occupational development of workplace sions with Vanuatu, Solomof Practice and by other regional particular ministrator and manager of	ers' unions, this project under the ILO aims to: e policy awareness especially for organisations mon Islands and Vanuatu. Most of these partners lace programmes to implement the policy and ies in Samoa, Marshall Islands and Tuvalu he development of National Codes of Practice al Safety and Health Act) and for lower level, policies at enterprise levels as is done in the on Islands and Kiribati, they are also looking at hers funded by the RF and therefore it will be f the grant, to ensure efforts in this area are not gotiations between ILO and SPC of the terms				

Country	Organisation			Narrative		Documents		
		and conditions of t	he RF grant, the L	OA has not been signed an	d so no funds have been disbursed and			
		activities have not been implemented. With follow-up conducted in late 2010 and early 2011, ILO has since						
		agreed to sign a re-	vised LOA and to	commence activities in July	y 2011.			
		Programmatic Achievements/Highlights						
		Project has not commenced as of 2010.						
		Challenges						
		_	1 0	<u>-</u>	ities outlined in the original proposal will need			
			•	funds is strategic, and result	ts tangible and sustainable given the shorter			
		timeframe to imple	ment activities.					
				Financial Data				
			Total Life	time Grant Commitment	- AUD\$450,000.00			
		Disbursements Total Acquittals to 31						
		Cumulative FY 2010 Dec 2010 Financial Narrative						
		(AUD\$) (AUD\$)						
		\$0	\$0	\$0				

Stream 7: Rapid Response Grants

Summary Level

Stream 7 Rapid Response Grants (summary level)

Summary:

The RF Rapid Response (RR) Stream 7 Grant is a discretionary pool of funds held at SPC. This funding is flexible and able to respond rapidly to promote and support innovative ideas, both nationally and regionally. The vast majority of these grants are for discreet and short-term activities, but which complement existing responses and/or respond to an emergency situation that requires immediate resolution.

Due to the nature of some of the projects which do not constitute 'emergency' or 'innovative' activities, and which essentially could have been built into other RF stream funding with proper planning, the GMU has undertaken a review of the RR guidelines to narrow done the scope of eligible projects under this stream.

Financial Data

Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$134,719.26

Disburs	rsements Total Acquittals to 31		
Cumulative	FY 2010	Dec 2010	Financial Narrative
(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)	
			RR grants to date have been of project
			duration of one year or less, and most often
\$108,464	\$30,367	\$54,758	for one-off events.
			Acquittals from some of the RR SRs have
			been slow to arrive in the 2010 period, and
			were only received in 2011.

Individual Grant Detail

	1	1						
Fiji	PPAPD-FPOC (Pacific Parliamentary Assembly on Population and Development- Forum Presiding Officers and Clerks)	Conference in Bal Ministry of Tourist in Asia and the Pa Organisation (WHO	d the attendance of it. i, Indonesia. The on and Health in collacific (ASAP), the O), the Joint United	conference was hosted be aboration with the Austra Global Fund for AIDS, 7	er and government delegates to the 9 th ICCAP by the Government of Indonesia through its dian Government (AusAID), the AIDS Society TB and Malaria (GFATM), the World Health AIDS (UNAIDS), the United Nations Fund for issions.	Mission Report - Bali. docx		
	(R01SPP02)	Programmatic Ach	nievements/Highlig	hts				
		and Bougainville (Deputy Speaker) to	provide technical supp	ment from Cook Islands (Leader of the House) bort to the two delegates in their advocacy, in the delegates ICAAP involvement.			
		Challenges	Challenges					
		Financial Data						
		Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$10,000.00						
		Disburs	Disbursements Total Acquittals to 31					
		Cumulative	FY 2010	Dec 2010	Financial Narrative			
		(AUD\$)	(AUD \$)	(AUD\$)				

		\$10,000	\$0	\$6,024	The remaining amount will be acquitted in 2011.	
Fiji	General Comments Regional Media Centre Centre (R01SRM01) General Comments General Comments General Comments This project is to develop and produce a documentary film focusing on the participation of the Pacific contingent to the 9 th ICAAP in Bali, and also to look at the current situation of HIV and AIDS in the Pacific from the perspective of the Pacific participants.					Report on the 9th International Congres
		 The documentary f Interviews Highlights Opening ar 	with participants, bo of major speeches nd closing ceremonie ns – individual and p	th from the Pacific and A	asia	
			Total Life	Financial Data time Grant Commitme		
		Disburs		Total Acquittals to 31	и – дорфу, 400.00	-
		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative	

		\$9,407	\$0	\$8,249	All ICAAP related activities have been completed and acquitted. Acquittals related to DVD finalisation and production will be provided in 2011.
Fiji	USP Oceania Centre for Arts and Culture (R01USP01)	production show part of the prod	nested funding in w. The show open	ed to the public from t nd involved a range of	e-stage "A Love for Life-Silence and HIV/AIDS" he 16-18 th of September, 2009. Peer educators were participants such dancers, choreographers, creative
		The re-stateMore that	n 500 people were	tion show was successable to watch this show m the young to the old	
		1	on for the show Il the production ro	le players in on time	
			Total I	Financial ifetime Grant Commi	Data tment – AUD\$10,000.00
		Disbur	sements	Total Acquittals	1102420,00000
		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	to 31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative

		\$10,000	\$0	\$9,512	The rem	aining amount will be acquitted in 2011.
Fiji	SPC – HIV/STI	General Comme	ents			
	Section (R01SHS01)	This project provi Indonesia at the A	0 11		Meeting H	ouse at the 9 th ICAAP Conference in Bali,
		Built stronProfiled PaPromoted	ger networks and acific HIV-related successful initiati	coalitions across the	he region ational lev surveilland	articularly for HIV positive Pacific delegates vel ce, treatment and care, and reducing stigma and
		Programmatic A	chievements/Hig	hlights		
		Challenges				
			T-4-11		cial Data	.4 A LID40 592 00
		Dishur	sements	Total Acquitta		nt – AUD\$9,583.00
		Cumulative	FY 2010	Dec 2010		Financial Narrative
		(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)		
		\$9,583	\$0	\$9,577		The remaining amount will be acquitted in 2010.

Fiji	Fiji School of Medicine (FSMed) (RFJFSM01)	The Fiji School of Medicine RR grant aimed to support a series of research capacity-building activities to be bosted by the Pacific STI and HIV Research Centre (PSHRC). This included: 1) a Pacific HIV social research						
		Challenges • Reports per		Financial Dat etime Grant Commitme				
		Disburs		Total Acquittals to 31	1100 \$10,000000			
		Cumulative	FY 2010	Dec 2010	Financial Narrative			
		(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)	(AUD\$)				
		\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10	Still awaiting reports. To be reflected in 2011.			
Fiji	Ministry of Health,	General Comments						
	Adventist	This grant support	ed the joint Fiji-ba	sed peer education netwo	ork (Support and Empowerment Network of Peer			

Develog and Re Agenc (RFJMC	elief cy Fiji	Educators in Fiji or SENPEF) to develop and produce multi-media/visual educational materials tailored for the Fiji Safe Event Campaign during the Miss South Pacific Pageant.								
			8,							
		Disburs		Financial Dat fetime Grant Commitm Total Acquittals to 31						
		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative					
		\$3,118	\$0	\$3,118	This grant was handled through direct payments to the vendors for the production of the brochures.					
for Pec	•	General Commer	nts							
	g with & AIDS (FJN+)	The FJN+ RR grant aimed to support a candlelight campaign and road show to promote compassion and support for PLHIV.								
(RFJFN	NP04)	Programmatic Ac	hievements/High	lights						
		 Candlelight 	campaign materia	lls developed and distribu	ted					

				ative which displayed players to PLHIV issues	hotographs illustrating the impact of HIV on			
		Challenges						
			Total I ife	Financial Data etime Grant Commitme	ot _ AUD\$1 736 00			
		Disburse		Total Acquittals to 31	πουφή,/30.00			
		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative			
		\$1,736	\$1,736	\$1,736	Fully acquitted.			
Fiji	Fiji Network for People Living with HIV & AIDS in Fiji (FJN+)		General Comments The RR grant supported FJN+'s efforts and contribution towards the Hibiscus Safe Festival Campaign in 2010 in Fiji.					
	(RFJFNP05)	Programmatic Ach	ievements/Highli	ghts				
		knowledge o	n HIV, reduce sti		fe Campaign was aimed to increase people's of PLHIV, and promote VCCT and fostering a an entry point.			
		lubricants ar people visiti	nd red ribbons. The ribbons of the booth who	ne support board activity o had shown their support	ating HIV/STI brochures, condoms, femidoms, identified 352 thumbprints on the board from ort that PLHIV should not be stigmatized and before and after each shift to ensure uniformity			

of information delivered, challenges faced discussed, lesson learnt and suggestions to better the outreach program the next day. This was a coordinated programme with SENPEF whereby FJN+ AIDS Ambassadors use the platform to share their stories and disseminate HIV information. The highlight of this year's Safe festival Campaign was that Luke Nayasa and his wife Lora came out public with their status.

- Talent/Dance Approach- On the talent night, a message box that depicts hands of different shades signifies that HIV demands a holistic approach and consolidated effort from the public in general to effectively address the needs of positive people and to reverse the HIV situation in Fiji. The dance portrays Joeli's journey and life experience from the moment he knew of his HIV status. Seeing his lifetime story through dance was very moving as he gives the impression of determination to change perception towards PLHIV. Joeli won the title of Talent King 2010.
- Float This year's float was a suitable platform to showcase the key messages that were promoted during the weeklong festival, simultaneously visualizing the innovative approach of prevention, care, and support for PLHIV. The exercise is intended to capture and mobilize attention on how different organisations and individual efforts have been consolidated to prevent the further spread of HIV in this country. Hence the float procession had allowed different organisations to come in unity and to stand in solidarity with PLHIV as they humanize HIV infection and remind the public in general of their responsibility to combat HIV. In addition, the float involved business partners and networks such as Rentokil and Foamscaff to support the cause. It is anticipated that this relationship could be maintained for future networking in strengthening the involvement of the private sector in HIV programmes. The Hibiscus Festival was a platform in which Joeli successfully advocated and promoted FJN+ and SENPEF messages to youth and the general public. The float procession ended at Albert Park and the talent King crowning was a highlight of the event. Joeli received a standing ovation.

Challenges

 Identifying resources that could meet the work load demand and contribute to the completion of activities

			Financial Data Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$1,660.50						
		Disburs	sements	Total		Financial Narrative			
		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Acquittals to 31 Dec 2010 (AUD\$)	Financial Narrative				
		\$1,661	\$1,661	\$1,661	Fully acquitted.				
Fiji	Pacifc Youth and Sports Conference (PYSC) (R01SHS02)	materials for the Programmatic A	vided support to 2010 Pacific You Achievements/High	uth and Sports Confe	duction of Behaviour Change Communication rence in New Zealand. op-down banners	on (BCC)			
			Financial Data Total Lifetime Grant Commitment – AUD\$9,627.00						
		Disbu	rsements	Total Acquitta					
		Cumulative (AUD\$)	FY 2010 (AUD\$)	Dec 201 (AUD\$	Financial Narrative				
		\$9,627	\$9,627	\$7,524	The remaining amount will be acqui 2011.	itted in			

Multi	IPPF -	General Comm	ents						
Country Project	ESEAOR / TSF-ESEAP (R01IPP01)	This grant was awarded to MOH Fiji to acquire the services of a consultant to support Fiji's Global Fund HIV Round 9 submission.							
		Programmatic A	Programmatic Achievements/Highlights						
		• N	No reports received yet						
		Challenges							
				Finan	cial Data				
					mmitment - AUD\$10,000.00				
			Disbursements Total Acquittals						
		Cumulative FY 2010 to 31 Dec 2010 Financial Narrative							
		(AUD\$) (AUD\$)							
		\$10,000	\$0	\$0	Follow-up action has been carried out by the GMU to gage the status of this activity.				