The Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead Paint (Lead Paint Alliance)

Raising Awareness

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Module I

Conducting awareness-raising campaigns on lead

International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week



Outline

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Background

- One of the tasks of the Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead Paint (Lead Paint Alliance) is to raise awareness of the toxicity of lead to human health and the environment
- The Business Plan of the Lead Paint Alliance identifies an awareness campaign as a priority action
 - Supported by the Third International Conference on Chemicals Management (ICCM3) in 2012
- International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week was established in 2012 – it takes place in the last full week in October



Aims of International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week

- Raise awareness about lead poisoning
- Highlight efforts to prevent childhood lead poisoning
- Urge further action to eliminate lead paint



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Support provided by Lead Paint Alliance partners

- Customisable materials developed for use in local campaigns
 - Posters, flyers, icons, fact sheets, Questions and Answers
- Materials provided in Arabic, Chinese, English, French,
 Spanish and Russian

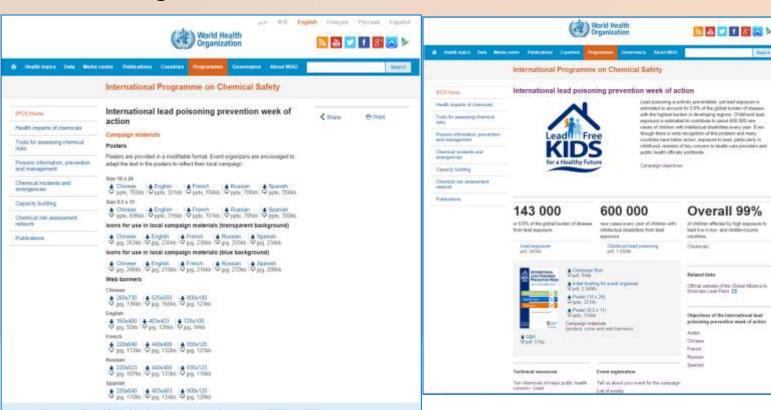






Support provided by Lead Paint Alliance partners

- Materials can be downloaded from WHO website
- Event organizers can customize and distribute materials through outreach activities in their area





Steps in planning a campaign Decide the objective

- Develop a single overarching communication objective ask yourself:
 - What is the issue you wish to cover?
 - Why do you want to focus on the issue and why now?
 - Who needs to change their behaviour (who is the audience)?
 - What is the change you want to see as a result of your communication?
- Ensure your main message is clear, concise and relevant to your audience
 - The audience should understand "what's in it for me"





Steps in planning a campaign The message (7 Cs)

- Command attention frame and present your campaign so that it catches the attention of your audience
- 2. Clarify the message keep your message(s) unambiguous and clear
- 3. Communicate a benefit to the audience what will they gain?
- 4. Consistency counts make sure that all materials convey the same messages





Steps in planning a campaign The message (7 Cs)

- 5. Cater to the HEART and HEAD develop materials that arouse emotions as well as giving facts
- Create trust make sure information is authoritative and reliable
- 7. Call to Action ask the audience to do something e.g.
 - encourage governments to introduce legally-binding controls on lead in paint
 - encourage manufacturers to change to producing lead-free paint





Steps in planning a campaign The channels

- Decide which communication channel(s) is/are most appropriate for your message and audience, e.g.:
 - Community activity such as information stand in a shopping centre/market, poster competition, drama
 - Educational activity such as lectures for health professionals, teaching session at school/college
 - Mass media campaign such as advertisement/jingle on radio, participation in radio or television programme, newspaper article
 - Social media such as Facebook, Twitter, chat rooms, a special website, e-mail list
- Identify partners to work with in campaigns





Examples of activities in Africa from 2015 campaign

- Investigating lead concentrations of paint sold at local markets (Cameroon, Cote d'Ivoire, Ethiopia, Zambia);
- Public awareness events (Nigeria, Tanzania, Tunisia, Uganda, Zambia);
- Blood sampling to test for levels of lead (Cameroon);
- Training for residents on how to conduct non-violent advocacy initiatives (Kenya);
- Workshops involving various stakeholders (Kenya, Nigeria)



An opening speech by representative of the Ministry of Environment and Forest (Photo by PAN Ethiopia)



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Examples of activities in Africa from 2015 campaign

- National consultative forum including formation of national working group on lead in paint (Kenya)
- Translating and distributing materials including posters and leaflets (Tanzania, Tunisia);
- Social media campaigns (Kenya, Uganda);
- Broadcasting information about the health impacts of lead via radio and television (Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana);



Twitter campaigns #StopLeadPaint, forwarded by multiple organizations and individuals



Invitation for a "professional demonstration of lead painting of a deteriorated paint surface"





Some examples of other campaign materials

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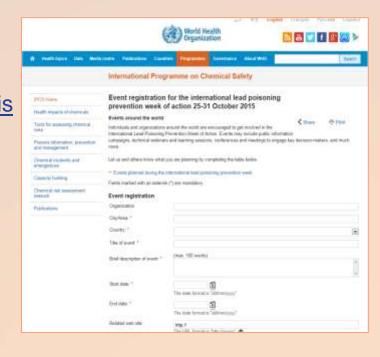
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Register your campaign

- Register your event on the WHO webpage http://www.who.int/ipcs/lead_campaign/event_regis tration/en/
- See who else is organising events in your area and consider joining forces
- Consider customizing Lead Paint Alliance materials
 - Multiple events using same icons and messages increases the global impact of the campaign







References and Point of Contact

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- For additional information about the campaign send an email to: noleadinpaint@who.int
- For information about the Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead Paint: www.unep.org/noleadinpaint





Thank you!

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