



RTIRN Skill Development Workshop: *Summarizing Comments*

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At the beginning...





Opening Session: Learning Objectives

- To appreciate the health impact of RTI at global and regional level
- To identify key factors in writing a successful research proposal
- To integrate key principles in writing scientific papers for publication
- To understand the importance of engaging policy makers for effective research



Road
Traffic
Injuries
Research
Network

Opening Session: Review of Regional Initiatives

- WHO/SEARO plans for regional initiatives on road traffic and other injuries – both research and prevention
- Expertise within the Asian region clear from the profiles of international invitees
- Depth and diversity of experience and interest amazing from national participants



Grant Writing

- Key principles of writing research grants to donor agencies
 - Examples from the Pacific
 - Success story from Hyderabad
 - Work in progress from Vellore
- Examples revolved around the Wellcome Trust, UK but applicable to other donors
- Interesting discussion around sources of funds, and opportunities for research grants in Sri Lanka



Writing for Publication

- Critical elements of publication including identifying your message, target audience, journal and the process
 - Experiences from Bangladesh with a case study of a costing study in progress
 - Personal experiences with lessons learnt, especially for clinical colleagues
- Journals and the need to understand their mission
- Discussion focused around issues of capacity development for publication, skills in writing and English language assistance



Promoting Research to Policy

- Example from Malaysia where policy makers participated in RTI research
- Exploring the need for engaging policy makers and defining the how, why and what
- Recognition of the need for research to be utilized by policy makers for real changes on the ground
 - Defining characteristics of such research



Personal Comments

- The amazing beauty of surroundings
- The friendliness and hospitality of Sri Lankan colleagues
- The strong commitment of the University of Peradeniya
- The great interactions during tea and lunch breaks
- ...overall much work to be done together...

The work can be done!





Thank you!

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