

Rotarian Peace Projects Incubator

Project Proposal Form

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Incubator's Thematic	Health and Peace
Area	
Rotary Focus Area	Disease Prevention and Treatment
Contact:	
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Project Title:	Prevention and treatment of diabetes, hypertension and cervical carcinoma
Provide a full title (and acronym if any)	and help to people suffering from these
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Project Partners and	Dr. Louis Mujawamariya, MD
Participating	Vice president of the Fondation Ubuzima – la Vie
Organisations:	Current postion: head of regional blood transfusion center of Gitega region for
List all your project partner	the ministry of health
organisations, including	Loan Diama Ndonimakina MD MDH
participating Rotary clubs and	Jean-Pierre Ndayirukiye, MD,MPH President RC Gitega Rukinzo 2020-2021
districts if any	Current position: Executive Director of IPROSARUDE (Initiative for
	Promotion of Rural Health and Development)
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Geographical Scope	Gitega and district Buhiga, province Karusi
Summary:	In Burundi, 17% of the inhabitants cannot afford medical treatment at all,
Please provide a concise	81,5% need to endebt themselves to get treatment. Diabates is the third main
summary with a maximum of	cause for hospitalisation in the University Clinic in Kamenge and reason for
500 words outlining the	30% of amputations. Hypertension often aggravates clinical outcomesgoes. A
project and explaning the	study by IOM showed that 34 % of all cancer deaths in Burundi are due to cervical cancer. 70% of women consult their doctors in a stage when the cancer
community needs your project will address and how these	is already inoperable. A study by IPROSARUDE showed that only 53 % of
needs were identified.	women knew the word cancer, and 6 % HPV.
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Ensure that you include what	The overall mortality of those mentioned diseases remains low (diabetes 1%,
your project aims to achieve	cardivascuar disease 11 %, cancer 5%), and international funding goes mostly
(objective) and how	into the sector of communicable diseases. Chronic, non communicable diseases have been taken into the national health strategy, but remain underfunded.
(method/procedure). What will be the main outcomes?	nave seen taken into the national nearth strategy, but remain underfunded.
will be the main outcomes!	In addition, it has been observed by the two partnering doctors themselves that
Explain in a few sentences	people suffering these diseases often feel as burdens to their family, knowing
how you will incorporate the	the money they would cost them, and therefore remain at home, untreated and
objective of sustainability into	somewhat stigmatized by their own families.
your project.	

The Buhira region has been chosen because it is highly densly populated and in terms of medical staff has the second lowest numbers in Burundi. Gitega has been chosen for the cervical cancer projects because most of the cancer cases have been detected there and because of an existing cooperation of three clinics involved in the project.

The needs were thus identified by two doctors working in the public health sector in Burundi, and are based on facts established in several studies.

Objectives:

- Sensibilisation: first medical assistants are trained in facts about the diseases and in testing methods. Then campaigns of mass sensbilisation are held (gatherings, radio, leaflets etc.)
- Testing: In cooperation with local healt centers people are encouraged for testing.
- Treatment: for all chronic diseases better treatment should be made possible. For cervical cancer, this would be in provision of equipment of crytherapie, cauterisation, better imaging.
- Home visits and accompanyment to locally unavailable treatment: in the rural areas by a team of volunteers to support those people sick / unable to move who are at home and under distress.
- Research:
 - Acceptance of project / knowledge
 - Incidence of chronic diseases, co-occurrence of cervical cancer with HIV
 - o Number of people cured / health status stabilized

The main outcomes will be broader knowledge in the population about risk factors, a higher rate of testing as well as a higher rate of cured women (cervical cancer). Very desperate people unable to leave their homes will get some relief. Data will be gathered that can be used for further planning.

As for sustainability, the materials designed for the sensibilisation campaigns can be re-used and spread to other areas. Knowledge established about chronic diseases leads to a process where more testing becomes the norm and thus perpetuates. There are hopes that later other sponsors will be found and that the government might take over successful parts of the project and transfer it to other regions.

Beneficiaries:

Who are the beneficiares? Please include the estimated number of direct beneficiaries For cervical carcinoma: 70.000 women sensibilized, 7000 tested, 650 treated For diabetes and hypertension no figures yet.