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WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION	REGIONAL OFFICE FOR SOUTH-EAST ASIA		
<b>SUMMARY</b> <b>DUTY TRAVEL REPORT</b> (May attach extra sheets if necessary)			
<b>Submitted by</b>			
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<b>PLACES VISITED</b>		<b>DATES</b>	
1. Brisbane office of the WHO Collaborating Centre: National Centre for Classification in Health (NCCH), Sydney, Australia		10-14 July 2000	
<b>PURPOSE/OBJECTIVES OF VISIT</b>			
1. To attend the ICD 10 Quality Assurance Training Workshop. 2. To review the Australian Coding Benchmark Audit (ACBA) methodology in assessing the quality of application of International classification of diseases (ICD) coding. 3. To discuss on the morbidity and mortality statistics with the health management information system teams from Thailand and Sri Lanka as well as focal person of the WHO collaborating centre: NCCH.			
<b>BRIEF ACCOUNT OF ACTIVITIES UDERTAKEN</b>			
<p>During the workshop, morbidity and mortality coding already made on approximately 40 patient charts from Thailand, Sri Lanka and Australian hospitals were critically reviewed as to its appropriateness and correctness as per the guidelines set in 10<sup>th</sup> revision of ICD, World Health Organization, Geneva. The quality assurance procedure was applied as per the ACBA developed by the WHO Collaborating Centre: NCCH (attached).</p> <p>Plans of action of Sri Lanka and Thailand, regarding morbidity and mortality statistics, were discussed in detail with the team leaders of both the countries.</p> <p>Future collaborative activities with the WHO Collaborating Centre: NCCH were discussed in detail with the Associate Director of NCCH.</p>			
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Travel Report Summaries shall be prepared within two weeks after completion of a trip.			

**INFERENCE**

**(a) Relating to purpose/objectives of the visit**

As per the original PoA of the GPE unit, SEARO, Thailand and Sri Lanka teams will make reciprocal visits to each country in early August 2000 to assess application of coding rules and procedures by using the ACBA. RA-GPE will closely follow up on the outcome of these visits.

A separate memo will be submitted regarding the promotion of ICD-10 in Bangladesh and Nepal as per the discussion made during the workshop. (These two countries have already requested SEARO to support in promoting ICD-10 activities). Sri Lanka and Thailand are lead countries in the area of application of ICD-10 in Member Countries of this Region. Their experience will be taken into account in promoting ICD-10 activities in other Member Countries of the Region.

ACBA, developed by the WHO Collaborating Centre, is user friendly and practical to be applied in the Member Countries of the Region. SEARO will promote this activity during the 2000-2001 biennium.

**SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION (IF ANY) BY DRD/RD**

In order to review and exchange experience, regarding the implementation of health management information system activities, ICD-10 training courses, medical records, and also to develop regional plan of action in future years, it is proposed to conduct an **Inter-country consultative meeting on HMIS in SEARO in January 2001**. This would be greatly facilitated by the "Investing in Evidence and Information: A WHO Strategy to Support Member States Health Information Systems Development as Part of Health Systems", which was jointly developed by Regional offices and WHO/HQ in May 2000.

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## National Centre for Classification in Health Timetable for WHO/SEARO Quality Assurance workshop

	Monday 10 July	Tuesday 11 July	Wednesday 12 July	Thursday 13 July	Friday 14 July
9:00-10:15	Opening welcome, Introductions, Purpose of the training course	Explanation about tasks for remainder of the week	ACBA individual work	ACBA individual work	ACBA report back session
10:15-10:30	<i>Morning tea/coffee</i>				
10:30-12:00	Introduction to ACBA	ACBA group work	ACBA individual work	ACBA individual work	ACBA report back session
12:00-1:00	<i>Lunch</i>				
1:00-3:00	Why quality assurance activities are important	ACBA group work	↓ Visit to Australian Bureau of Statistics	ACBA individual work	Plans for work to be undertaken in Sri Lanka and Thailand, Course evaluation
3:00-3:15	<i>Afternoon tea/coffee</i>				
3:15-4:15	Discussions about quality activities in Sri Lanka and Thailand	ACBA group work	↓ Visit to Australian Bureau of Statistics	ACBA individual work	Closing ceremony