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As another year launches into action, the team in PNG is already working at full swing in our gender, HIV and TB programs. Highlights from the last quarter include the launch of a new awards initiative where FHI 360 Peer Educators will be recognised for their important work with key

populations, children came together in Vanimo for an event to say 'no' to violence in the province, and our TB project has kick-started with a range of clinicians joining the project in Moresby South.

We are looking forward to a full schedule of activities and

project interventions as the year continues.

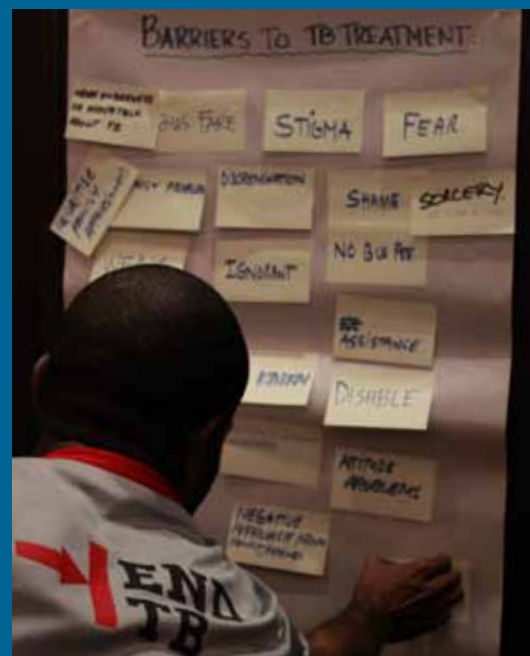
Warm wishes,



Daniel Tesfaye
FHI 360 PNG
Country Director

FHI 360 TB workforce kick starts in Moresby South

Six months after the Community-Based TB Treatment project launched in Moresby South, it has achieved an exciting milestone, welcoming four Nurses, four Community Health Workers (CHW) and a Medical Officer to bolster the health workforce. These new clinicians were recruited and deployed to health facilities, in collaboration with the National Capital District (NCD) Health service, National TB program, World Health Organization and other TB implementing partners in NCD, following training on the management of TB, as well as tailored training on quality assurance for the CHWs. Thirty-Five Community Treatment Supporters (CTS) were also recruited and trained on the 19-20th December, 2017. The two-day training equipped the CTSs with basic knowledge on TB and their roles as treatment supporters, it also included sessions on nutrition, GBV and the child protection code of conduct. Specifically, the CTSs will provide Direct



Observed Treatment (DOT) in the communities. The DOT approach ensures compliance and adherence to treatment for the full duration of their TB treatment, to achieve the desired treatment outcome of treatment completed, or cured | [Francil Kaemala and Valda Kereu](#)

Children in Vanimo say 'no' to violence



With children at the heart of the event, on November 25th, 2017, community members of Vanimo village in West Sepik/Sandaun province, commemorated the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women. The FHI 360 Komuniti Lukautim Ol Meri Project engaged men, women and mostly children to say 'no' to violence. The event had full participation from the ward councillor, local level government magistrate, and community leaders, showing their solidarity to prevent gender based violence (GBV) in the province. The children led the march around the village holding posters with key messages that emphasized the 2017 theme "Leave No One Behind: Stop Violence Against Women and Children". One of the children also wrote a poem and read it to the whole village. This event gave a platform for local GBV advocacy initiatives in future as the community was very supportive.

Peer Educators motivated to reach targets

In an effort to show appreciation of FHI 360's exceptional Peer Educators, each month the team will receive a certificate of recognition to award their work with key populations. It is hoped that the award will motivate them to strive to do their best to achieve their weekly and monthly targets, for the number of key populations and other priority populations that they reach, refer, and who successfully complete referrals. The FHI 360 outreach component recognizes best performance by Peer Educators; the first criteria for the award is having the highest number of successful referrals in the reporting month. In October 2017, Cathy Alu was awarded Best



Performing Peer Educator. Totaling up 34 successful referrals, she had the highest number of referrals for the month

| Elizabeth Tama

Meet the team | Moses Vinakawa – Office Helper



"My role involves maintaining the cleanliness of the whole office in Port Moresby. As a prominent person in the office I get the opportunity to meet people with different skills and different backgrounds which I love. I get to know them and interact with them as part of the team. I am very grateful to FHI 360 because in 2016 they recognized my five years of service. As an elderly in my community, I promote the work that FHI 360 is doing to my family and friends who are impressed about what the organization is doing in PNG."

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