Be inspired, inspire others, learn about Child and Adolescent Mental Health!
Host The iCAMH Training in your country

What:
IACAPAP is offering psychiatrists, pediatricians, and their residents from low and middle income countries a free training course leading to the WHO and IACAPAP accredited "iCAMH (international child and adolescent mental health) Certificate of Basic Child Psychiatry".

Why:
Child and adolescent mental health problems are common, serious and treatable. However, the gap between those needing care and those receiving it is huge, particularly in low resource settings. Thanks to IACAPAP and WHO initiatives (mhGAP, IACAPAP textbook and MOOC, MSc programmes etc.) this is beginning to change and slowly child mental health problems are being addressed in some parts of the world. While the few child mental health professionals in these settings are busy addressing clinical needs and building up services, there often remains a lack of experienced clinical teachers and trainers.

Who is being trained:
The training is aimed at highly qualified 2nd line professionals, like pediatricians and general psychiatrists (and their residents), with some prior knowledge of CAMH (e.g. having passed the MOOC). After the iCAMH training, these clinicians will be able to act as multipliers and supervisors to other clinicians wishing to learn about child and adolescent mental health.

How?
You are from a low or middle income country in need of more CAMH training. You lobby amongst your colleagues, professional organizations, or university faculties etc. for pediatricians, general psychiatrists and/or their senior trainees to participate at the iCAMH MOOC (see IACAPAP website). Once there are 10 or more colleagues in one area who passed the MOOC you have the capacity to host an iCAMH training.

What does hosting involve?
You need to organize a suitable training venue and at least 10 qualified participants. They must complete the MOOC as well as some additional clinical assignments (case reports and/or videos of local patients), which will be used during the training. We recommend you link the training to a local university, professional body, health department or NGO to assist with the organization and some costs. The training requires about 24-30 hours face to face teaching over 4 to 6 days, as well as some time for reading and preparation. You will also be responsible to copy some course materials in advance (DVD with resources, photocopies etc), which will be mailed to you.

IACAPAP will match you with a junior and senior trainer and you will need to make detailed arrangements with each other. Make arrangements well in advance (6-9 months). In some instances you will need to provide a letter of invitation from your organization for a visa (IACAPAP will also provide a letter of support). During the stay you will host the trainers. You are responsible for local transport, meals and accommodation, which can be in the home of a colleague. Make your colleagues feel welcome and show them how you work in your country.

You will not pay for the trainers time or flight costs and the course should be offered to participants at no or minimal cost. The aim is increasing knowledge and understanding for CAMH because: There is no child health without child mental health.

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