



FOCUS OF THE YOUTH GROUPS

- Eastern Samar - Climate Change
- North Cotabato [IDS] peace between Christians and Moslems, HIV/AIDS, drugs and alcoholism
- Laguna [Red Hat]- youth spirituality strengthened
- Metro Manila [PE ME PAMACQ] - passing of the Reproductive Health bill

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Pinoy Youth Competence is born!



PinoyCompetence National CLCP Youth Knowledge Fair

28-29 May 2011
Manila Grand Opera Hotel
Doroteo Jose, Sta. Cruz,
Manila, PHILIPPINES

Pinoy Youth Competence is the emerging strength of PinoyC. Four youth organizations, 20 young people, and seven adult companions converged to share their CLCP journey, experiences, and plans on ways forward. They sealed their commitments with their colored hand cut outs on how they will personally contribute to the sustainability of their goals

Coming to the Knowledge Fair

The scheduling of the Youth Knowledge Fair was no easy task as organizers are not in a position to predict when weather will pose a challenge. For many of those who travelled from the southern islands of the Philippines, this was their first time to be away from their parents and loved ones. It was also their first time to be in the capital city of the

country. The young people were filled with mixed emotions: excitement, hopeful, and yet with concerns. It was a miracle indeed that they were able to come.

Typhoon Chedeng was skirting through Eastern Samar. In Cotabato, the flood was waist deep. The van could not cross the flood so the

delegation from Midsayap, North Cotabato took a bus and reached the airport one hour before take off. The weather in Manila was fine and the effects of Chedeng was not felt.

Parents were immediately informed of the safe arrivals. Back home their parents are proud that they are part of this journey.

Hearts of Hopes and Concerns



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The **concerns** of the participants were varied and in many ways similar. Most revolved around family they left behind. One had a birthday today but she came and left her children behind. A wife is about to give birth to their first child, for one, it was his first time to leave his wife. Two worried about the meals of siblings. One dropped the household survey he was conducting. One left behind his

pets and plants. Others were concerned about natural, national, and local issues: passing of RH bill, disasters due to climate change, rise in juvenile delinquencies, end of project support, flood, rise in cases of STI/HIV/AIDS, spiritual growth of the youth, community in cruising sites are getting younger, finances, and employment.

Hopes ranged from personal to communal — examples are

hope that: participants will be able to connect to each other; PAMACQ becomes successful in minimizing cases of HIV; peaceful and chaotic-free Mindanao; unity among Muslim Lumads and Christians; PinoyC and the youth continue to journey with other communities; more youth engaged and introduced to CLCP; grow in a ministry to disciple the youth; government addresses the concerns of the youth; and for the youth to serve God first.



PE ME PAMACQ: Kent, Chin, Yda, JonJon, Joan, Jay

PEER EDUCATORS MOVEMENT FOR EMPOWERMENT—PAMACQ

PE ME PAMAC-Q peer educators aim to: (i) increase awareness of young people (15-27 yo) on STI, HIV and AIDS and (ii) increase access to HIV-related services among this age group in Pasay, Manila, Caloocan, and Quezon City. Having been trained on ACP and CLCP by an NGO, the peer educators continue to facilitate HIV prevention and treatment to youth groups in

Metro Manila in the Philippines by tapping on their own resources and without much external support. **From a beneficiary of a project, they are now managing 100% on their own.** Target clients are freelance sex workers, out of school youth, men who have sex with men, and young girls. Yda de Guia, President of PAMACQ, shared that as much as possible, their group

would rather raise their own funds and decide on how the money will be used to continue their advocacy. They do not want to be strapped to the dictates and mandates of donor agencies. PAMACQ youth are active on the ning and other social networks related to CLCP. During the Knowledge Fair, they facilitated many of the interactive ice breakers.

“Churches are part of the solution.”
Red HIV and AIDS Team



Red HAT — Laguna

Red Hat - a faith-based group focused on Millennium Development Goal #6—Combat HIV/AIDS. AIDS competence activities summarized: Educate, Embrace, Engage.

Educate. Red HAT is increasing knowledge about HIV through awareness campaigns in schools, churches, and community groups to decrease risky behavior, and combat stigma.

Embrace. People living with HIV and AIDS are our friends, partners and the experts about HIV. We try to embrace the special needs of the positive community.

Engage. Potential peer educators among high school students are engaged and equipped to facilitate awareness campaigns in their schools.

Stigma and HIV Workshop: Bacolod 5-6 July, Manila 8-9 July 2011



Be a champion: Prevent the spread of HIV
BA, Kristel, Gladys, Thea, Joseph, Andrew

Eastern Samar Youth

Eastern Samar group was led by Dr. Jennefer Picardal of DepEd and alternative educator Abner Aclao. Eastern Samar's journey with PinoyC began with Caca Carillo's introduction of ACP in September 2008 that led to their being invited to the National Review in Manila the following month. Eastern Samar held the 1st ARH Youth Summit (May 2009) attended by Student Leaders, SK Officials, OSY, and Gay Community. In October 2009; Youth camp (October 2009). They formed a

mobile theatre as a vehicle to promote ARH concepts and advocacies. The Pink Brigade was a platform for MSMs to respond against STI/HIV/AIDS using ACP tools. The group acknowledged the support of UNFPA in the implementation of their activities.

Dr. Jen Picardal shared the challenges of the group with donor support towards its end, with 27 health programs on the pipeline facing no funds. She immediately

registered with the online virtual communities and was accepted into the Asia Pacific Competence.



(Standing left to right) Charidel Pajanustan, **Dr. Jennefer Picardal**, Jessa Mae Lavado, Airrish Ramos, (Seated front left to right) Dharel Apelado, **Abner Aclao**, Sharra Grace Daz

Integral Development Services — Cotabato

IDS presented their action plans— outputs of the CLCP training two weeks ago. Recognizing community strengths and partners they can tap, Akmad Isla, Community Leader of the Imelda Village Homeowners' Association presented the action plan for Imelda Village. They focused on community peace between Moslems and Christians as well as community

involvement in rectifying negative impressions on their Poblacion. High school senior Amor Canarejo presented their youth action plan which aims to strengthen and capacitate the youth to be spiritually, socially and morally competent for the welfare of youth in the municipality of Midsayap and later in PPALMA areas. One of the activities is a Summer Camp in May 2012.



(Above) Akmad; (Left standing) Walter, Amor, Karl, Jaybon; (Left seated) **Chellah, Steve**

Event Summary

Day One was for self introduction, knowing about the focus of the groups, the journey of PinoyC and how it evolved from applying ACP for HIV to CLCP for community concerns. Each youth group presented its journey and how CLCP was used. Eastern Samar began its journey with PinoyC 2008 National Learning Event, Red Hat 2009

National Review, PAMACQ 2010 PinoyC Launch Meeting; IDS North Cotabato 2011 CLCP training in Mindanao. IDS led the prayer over meals

Day Two: Red HAT led the morning prayers, IDS presented its action plan for Imelda Village, a Moslem-Christian village. Girlie Enrera synthesized the group journeys and

strengths. IDS, being the newest in the group, looked up to Red Hat for guidance in the spiritual development of the youth. Eastern Samar offered to share modules on ARH; PAMACQ to share energizers and small learning experiences. Joy Pavico presented tools for proposal preparation. Jay Caparida showed the virtual social networks: PinoyCompetence group page on ning and facebook, PAMACQ website, yahoo email groups.

A skype call to Rituu of CAD heralded the plans of focus of the youth groups.

Myrna Maglahus engaged the young people into plenary and commitment setting. Abner led the group into closing with a PinoyC dance.

Socialization activities to strengthen the team included a birthday greeting for Yda, and a Gay Beauty Pageant which highlighted responses to questions on HIV awareness.

PEER ED ME PAMACQ JOURNEY



EASTERN SAMAR JOURNEY

“CLCP was used in the implementation of the Adolescent Reproductive Health program” - Eastern Samar



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Integral Development Services —
North Cotabato



Red HAT —
Laguna

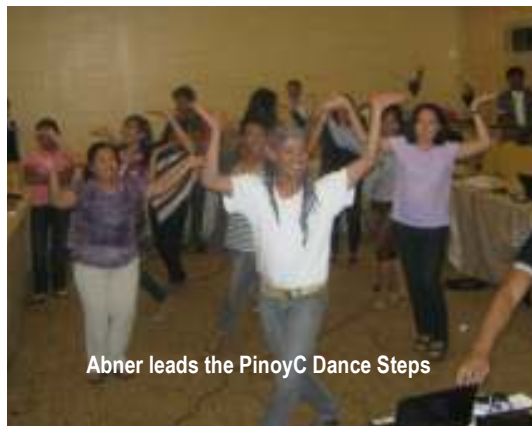
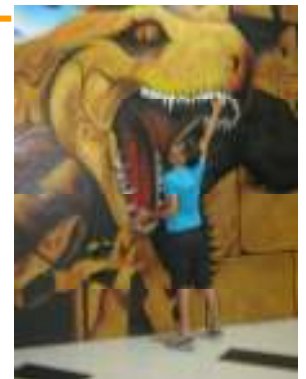


Eastern Samar Youth



PE ME PAMACQ

Some R&R



Abner leads the PinoyC Dance Steps



Skype call to Asia Pacific Competence

Rituu Nanda organized a conference call for Pinoy Youth Competence and CAD Dr. Rafique and Joma. The experience of connecting to people from other countries was an exciting experience.



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*A society where people are one,
A world where nations are one*

PinoyCompetence — individuals and nongovernment organizations who believe in the strengths of individuals and communities to stimulate, motivate, and support communities to address issues and concerns on HIV/AIDS and community concerns in the Philippines. They play a facilitating role in putting in place a national structure and a National Support Team (NST) that propagate the Community Life Competence Process (CLCP) at the national, regional, local, and community levels. The **Center for Environment and Sustainable Development Foundation, Inc. (CESD)** serves as the host for the national support team. Three staff members serve as focal points for regional clusters and learning hubs, and a growing group of facilitators to respond to invitations to propagate CLCP.

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