

Minutes 13 March 2018 13.00 – 14.30

Participants:

David Sam, Melf J. Kühl, Christine Ødegaard, Jovita Amurwon, Marit Hafting, Angela Akol, Ingunn M.S. Engebretsen

Presentation:

Angela Akol presented her PhD topic: Exploring access to mental health services, based on her qualitative and quantitative studies conducted in Uganda.

A discussion on the mhGAP initiative and the use of traditional healers in mental health in Uganda followed.

Other issues:

- The GMHRG has been granted 20 000 NOK for group activities in 2018
- Information on joint applications: Globvac 2018:
Ingunn M.S. Engebretsen presented the application on child alcoholism with Ugandan partners
- Information on the Save the Children Finland collaboration: Studies of parenting interventions in the Philippines, Nepal, India, Somaliland and Zambia with GMHRG members: Ane-Marthe Solheim Skar, Patrick O'Loughlin, Ingunn M. S. Engebretsen
- Brief presentation by David Sam about collaboration plans with Buthan colleagues.
- Web-page:
We struggle to keep our web-page alive and updated. There have even been some technical hick-ups. 1 news article is published:
<http://www.uib.no/en/rg/gmh/116038/long-term-collaboration-cambodia>
Christine Ødegaard will write some of the news and Solomon Gebremenskel will assist with some of the technical issues.

Next Meeting Items:

- A colleague from Buthan will be invited from CIH to our next meeting in May; Buthan was recognized as particularly interesting country in terms of GMH.
- Ketil Ødegaard will also be invited to talk about the Psychiatry project at Zanzibar
- Further discuss Cambodia cooperation ideas.

Next meeting: Lunch meeting 4 May at 12.00-13.30.