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**Field visits to PHC
Best Practices**

Friday 8 December 202
Montevideo





In the framework of the National Forum on Primary Health Care (PHC), field visits will be facilitated for Forum participants. This will provide a setting to be exposed to lessons learnt by local actors and their either longstanding and/or innovative experiences working in PHC.



1) Sayago Health Center. Addressing Sexual Diversity as Public Policy

Location: Montevideo

Summary: The Sayago Health Center is part of ASSE's¹ metropolitan network of Primary Attention. It provides primary health services with attention to sexual diversity in an integrated manner, also being connected to the Pereyra Rossell Hospital center. The purpose of the practice is to achieve, in a health system perspective, real access and responses to the healthcare needs of the LGBTIQ+ community. The practice showcases the work done over 14 years in which the relevant health services have gone from being outside of the health system to being incorporated, in specific actions, having trained staff and a national reach, with both public and private services.

Chaperone: Dr. Marcela Schenck. PAHO/WHO

Local Contact Persons: Dr. Daniel Marques y Dr. Victoria Novoa. ASSE

Time of Departure: 09.00 AM

2) 2) Policlínica San Bautista. Rural Women

Location: San Bautista, Canelones Department

Summary: The rural policlinic, part of ASSE, in San Bautista provides health services to the local community and hosts a teaching unit of the Faculty of Medicine of UDELAR². The general objective of the practice has been, since 2012, to establish and maintain a space for critical reflection for rural women, through group work on women's health in an integrated approach, emphasizing gender and rights' perspectives. Furthermore, a sexual and reproductive health space has been created to complete integral health services to affiliated women. The experiences from the practice demonstrate that women are powerful agents of change and Health Creators

Chaperone: Dr. Rosario Berterretche, PAHO/WHO

Local Contact Persons: Dr. Marcela Cuadrado y Martin Olivera. ASSE

Time of Departure: 08.00 AM

1 - ASSE. Administración de Servicios de Salud de Estado Main public health provider of the Sistema Nacional Integrado de Salud (SNIS).

2 - Universidad de la República. The country's largest university. Public.

3) Tiraparé Polyclinic. Integrated health service provision to deaf persons, based on the PHC model, with an inclusive rights point of view

Location: Montevideo

Summary: Tiraparé Polyclinic of Montevideo has been a pioneer in implementing innovative health services, with full inclusion of deaf persons. The objective of this practice has been to improve the accessibility, quality, efficiency, and efficacy of the service provision to deaf persons, as rights holders, emphasizing inclusiveness, intersectionality and non-discrimination as key tenets in their strive for equity and equality. With basis in science, acts of promotion, prevention, treatment and rehabilitation for deaf persons and users of sign language that fall within the coverage of ASSE.

Chaperone: M.Sc., Cecilia Muxi, PAHO/WHO

Local Contact Persons: Dr. Virginia Cardozo y Verónica Sánchez, Health Division, Montevideo Town Council

Time of Departure: 09.00 AM

4) SIPIAV Barros Blancos: Interdisciplinarity to prevent and treat situations of violence

Location: Barros Blancos, Canelones Department

Summary: The practice generated in the Civic Center Dr. Salvador Allende is both intersectoral and interdisciplinary. The team members of Center have 15 years of field experience with addressing violence in an integrated and interinstitutional perspective, overcoming challenges of coordination such approaches face. In addition, the Centre hosts a Teaching Unit called Canelones al Este and in this such an interinstitutional effort has its seat: the Integral System of Protection Against Violence of the Infancy and Youth (SIPIAV for its acronym in Spanish).

Chaperone: M.Sc., Are Izquierdo Skjaer, PAHO/WHO

Local Contact Persons. Dr. Julio Braidá and prof. Elizabeth Olavarría, Faculty of Medicine, UDELAR.

Time of Departure: 08.00 AM

5) Health Center Giordano: Accessibility and resoluteness in Mental Health in a network and local perspective

Location: Montevideo

Summary: The Giordano is the oldest Health Center providing primary health care services under the ASSE umbrella. It is connected to Misurraco Health center, and others. The practice provides a revision of Mental Health service provision models, proposing new modalities of attention, with a broader understanding and enactment of “the assistance” beyond the four walls of the clinic, crosscutting medical specialties and pushing for a holistic approach to mental health attention and services.

Chaperone: Psy.D. Camila Solis, PAHO/WHO

Local Contact Persons: Psy.D. Gonzalo de Pascua and Psy.D. Ana Monza. ASSE.

Time of Departure: 09.00 AM

6) SACUDE Center. Human Resources development for PHC and social determinants for health conditions

Location: Montevideo

Summary: The Municipal complex, SACUDE, is a social community-based project aiming at improving the quality of life of residents in Casavalle, Montevideo. It promotes community participation in Cuenca de Casavalle and D municipality, emphasizing a rights-based and social equity approach for individual and collective transformation for the residents. The area is attended by a neighbourhood policlinic in which Udelar has a teaching unit. Together, they carry out PHC services with a strong community anchorage and giving social determinants of health special attention in both service provision and in the teaching.

Chaperone: Dr. Wilson Benia, PAHO/WHO

Local Contact Persons: Dr. Ariel Díaz, Faculty of Medicine, UDELAR

Time of Departure: 09.00 AM

Practical notes:

- The visits require prior registration.

[The registration can be done by completing this form:](#)

- Maximum capacity for each visit: 12 persons
- Rendezvous point for departure: Main entrance of Hotel Radisson, Plaza Independencia
- Maximum estimated time at venue: approx. three (3) hours
- Transport time to/from venues: variable, depending on distance and traffic conditions.

- Basic, common agenda at all venues:
 - o Presentation by local team
 - o Description of experiences and good practices of PHC
 - o Tour of the premises



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