

Oman Outreach

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ISUOG Outreach Final Project Report

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Sustaining women's access

ISUOG believes that every woman should have access to a competent and confident ultrasound professional. In order to achieve this we place sustainability at the heart of every program.

So, in collaboration with the Omani Ministry of Health, the program selected 27 trainees from nine regions across Oman. This spread ensured that almost every region had at least one practitioner participating in the training.

Of those 27 trainees, five were selected to become trainers. These local trainers, were trainees who excelled in both theoretical, practical and teaching elements throughout the course. These individuals will now conduct their own training cycle over the next two years, to train 25 other trainees from across Oman.

Through this process ISUOG aims to nationalise an OB/GYN ultrasound curriculum in Oman and continue supporting the Ministry of Health to improve the practical and theoretical knowledge of practitioners throughout the country.

Red colour show regions from which 1-2 trainees have succesfully completed ISUOG Outreach Program

Empowering trainers

From 28 trainees, five were chosen to become Phase II trainers.

These trainers are from five regions in Oman and will now go on to disseminate the knowledge and information they have gained to others in Oman.



Making an impact

Average Retention Scores (%)



These scores outline the average score achieved by trainees on the retention questions repeated over trips one, two and three. Whilst there was a minor decrease in retention in Trip 2, the steep increase in Trip 3 shows that overall trainees retained the expected knowledge from the full program.

These scores outline the average scores achieved by trainees in practical assessments. All trips show a steady increase from the precourse assessment to the postcourse. Further, there is a large increase between the practical ability in Trip 1 and Trip 3.



Making an impact

How did you find the training overall?



There was no negative feedback in regards to the overall training. 74% of trainees said they found the overall training extremely useful. One trainee noted: "All the parts were important and useful'.



The content of the course also did not receive any negative feedback. 81% of trainees were very happy with the course content. One trainee commented: 'I was lucky to be involved in this training'.

Were you happy with the content of the course?

Developing practitioners

'We became in love with the ultrasound machine, and its different knobs!'

'Definitely I have learnt a lot. I have enjoyed the lectures, I have enjoyed the practical part, and how it was organised. This definitely will add to my future career, and ultrasound technique. And, I will have definitely improved after this Outreach program!'

'Even when we went back to our region, we were in contact all the year with our groups and instructors. Our instructor keeps pushing us, encouraging us, reviewing our images, so we are in contact actually. We are never away from the Outreach program. We are in 24 hour contact with our trainers – they are always available and supportive!'



Hajar Al-Bulushi Medical Officer, Buraimi Hospital Al Buraimi, Oman

Meet our partners



Oman Ministry of Health Government Partner

With special thanks to Dr. Said Al Lamki (Director General of Primary Health Care), Dr. Nawal Al Rashdi (Director of Women's Health in Women and Child Health in Primary Health Care), Dr. Fatima Al Hinai (Director of Women and Child Health in Primary Health Care) and of course Dr. Mouza, the leader of the Outreach Project from the Royal Qabooz Hospital



ISUOG partnered with GE Healthcare through the Ministry of Health. Through this partnership the trainees had access to machines and simulators throughout the program to develop their skills. The Ministry of Health takes full ownership of their partnership with GE Healthcare for education endeavours around the country.

Meet the volunteers



Titia Cohen-Overbeek Project Lead Divya Singh Trainer





Hisham Mirghani Project Advisor Nimrah Abbasi Trainer



Valeria Angioni Trainer



Pauline Schut Trainer



Without our volunteers ISUOG could not continue to do the work it does.

Thank you.

Developing practitioners

'Mothers will benefit of course, because they will go to the right person'



'In the periphery a lot of doctors aren't well trained, so we will share that knowledge which we have learned. This will improve not only our health centre and hospital, but so that other hospitals get benefit too. Mothers will benefit of course!

'I enjoyed meeting experts from different countries, and learning so much about ultrasound and the physics, how to use the knobology of the ultrasound, doing anatomy and early gestation.

I learned too much from the ISUOG program!'

Najla Al Shabib Medical Officer, Al Mudhaibi Health Center Al Mudaybi, Omar



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