

Announcement

Breastfeeding Advocacy and Practice

A Regional Outreach Course by the Infant Feeding Consortium, From the Institute of Child Health, London, and the World Alliance for Breastfeeding Action (WABA)

> 26 February to 9 March 2007 City Bayview Hotel Penang, Malaysia

In response to repeated requests for in-depth training on breastfeeding and related aspects of young child feeding to be made available regionally, WABA and the Infant Feeding Consortium are introducing a 2-week course in Penang. Short practical courses are widely used and successful, but the need for more advanced training for doctors and other senior health professionals has not been met.

The course is specially designed for doctors and other senior health professionals from the region who are responsible nationally or locally for:

- clinical care of mothers and infants
- teaching short courses
- pre-service curricula for health professionals
- advocacy and policy development
- implementation of programmes such as the BFHI.

The Infant Feeding Consortium directs the 4-week course Breastfeeding: Practice and Policy at the Institute of Child Health, London, and they will be responsible for organising the Penang course in collaboration with WABA. Teaching will be conducted mainly in English, with some use of the Malay language. The cost, including accommodation (twin-share basis) and meals (excluding dinner) for the two week duration and essential materials will be US\$2,450. This does not cover travel costs.

If you or your colleagues might be interested in applying, or would like to know more about the course, please send your name, professional position, and contact details to WABA at waba@streamyx.com. More details will be made available shortly.