

Announcements

Dr. K. Srinath Reddy is the new IndiaCLEN president succeeding Dr. Maniyalath Narendranathan. Formal handing-over ceremonies were held at the XIIth IndiaCLEN Regional Meeting held last September 2001.

Dr. Wang Jialiang is the new Chair of the Clinical Epidemiology Association of China. He was designated by the association and the Chinese Medical Association at the VIIth Regional Meeting of ChinaCLEN last November 2001.

Diego Rosselli, MD, EdM, MSc, faculty member of the CERTC at Javeriana University, Bogota, Colombia and INCLEN Career Scientist Awardee (1999 - 2001), will assume the position of Dean of the School of Medicine, Universidad Militar Nueva Granada, Bogota, Colombia, beginning February 2002. Dr. Rosselli brings with him an A-track record for research and medical education. As INCLEN career scientist, he completed and published researches on neuroepidemiology, tobacco and smoking, health policy, and education.

Dr. Antonio L. Dans, Professor at the Department of Medicine and Clinical Epidemiology, University of the Philippines-College of Medicine, is the recipient of the 2001 Dean's Award for Innovation in Medical Education for the project: **A Philippine Model for Evidence-Based Medicine in a Residency Training Program**.

Dr. Jacinto Blas V. Mantaring III, Associate Professor of the Department of Clinical Epidemiology, University of the Philippines-College of Medicine, is one of the recipients of the Faculty Award for Innovation in Medical Education. He is recognized for the project **"The Use of the Virtual Pet (Tamagochi) for Teaching Research Methods"**.

Adrean Yang, from Manila, Philippines joined the INCLEN Executive Office as the Database Systems Supervisor last October 2001, replacing Charissa Patacsil who joined a progressive Philippine telecommunications company in the Philippines.

Another useful health social sciences textbook has been published entitled: ***Applying Health Social Science: Best Practice in the Developing World***, edited by **Nick Higginbotham, Roberto Briceno-Leon** and **Nancy Johnson**. Ten case studies exemplifying some of the best practices in health social sciences in developing countries from Africa, Latin America and Asia are presented in the book. Each case study addresses the critical question of how social/behavioral science approaches can make a difference in improving significant health problems such as AIDS, STDs, heart disease, smoking, psychological stress, people's reliance on traditional healers and their use of both indigenous and modern types of medicine. The book is a valuable resource for policymakers, planners and foundations supporting international health development, as well as INCLEN faculty, scholars and public health practitioners.

Une santé branchée sur la recherche: Perspectives du Conseil de la recherche en santé pour le develop-pement, the French version of the book **"Forging Links for Health Research: Perspectives from the Council on Health Research for Development"** edited by **Victor Neufeld and Nancy Johnson** has been published. This book, written by a team of international experts, records the contribution of health research to the equity dimension of development and suggests what must be done in the research arena to ensure a healthy future for all. It is unique in its combination of evocative human stories and expert insight from international health researchers. The book will be of interest to academicians, researchers, students, and

policymakers in public health, epidemiology, health sciences, international health, and development studies; professionals in donor organizations, and health care workers interested in international affairs and Third World development.

The Norwegian branch of the Nordic Cochrane Center will host the **10th Cochrane Colloquium at the Stavanger Forum in Norway on July 31-August 3, 2002**. The aims of the 10th Colloquium are to help review groups achieve the aims of the collaboration and to celebrate the 10th year of the collaboration. The Colloquium will focus on quality, productivity and sustainability.

Dr. Ernesto Domingo, first sponsor of the Department of Clinical Epidemiology (DCE) of the University of the Philippines (UP) and former Board member of INCLIN, Inc., poses for posterity in the above photograph with the past and present Directors of the DCE-UP during a testimonial dinner for him. Dr. Domingo retired from UP on June 28, 2001. Asked what his great achievement in UP was, Dr. Domingo stated with great conviction: "The establishment of the CEU at the University."