

Research Team:

Professor Anthony Zwi (a.zwi@unsw.edu.au): School of Public Health and Community Medicine (SPHCM) and Associate Dean (International), Faculty of Medicine, University of New South Wales (UNSW). Extensive experience in documenting and analysing health and health service impact, and public sector and humanitarian agency response to complex emergencies and political crises. Interest in examining trends in international assistance and how these can be most supportive of sustainable national systems. Particular concern to ensure that insights are rapidly fed back to key health sector actors to enable response in “real”-time and to promote evidence-informed policy, in part through supporting Timorese capacity to undertake health and development-related research.

Dr Joao Martins (j.martins@student.unsw.edu.au): Former Dean UnPaz and PhD student in SPHCM. Joao is an experienced physician with longstanding experience in the Timorese health sector. He is currently researching the impact of political and regime changes over the past decade on malaria control and management in Timor. Vice-Rector for academic affairs at University da Paz (Unpaz), Dili (1 July 2005 – February 2006); Dean, Faculty of Public Health, Unpaz (May 2002 – July 2005). Joao was Program Manager for Health Sector Rehabilitation and Development Program Ministry of Health, Timor-Leste (July 2003 – June 2005) and the Vice-Minister for Health in the Second Transitional Administration (September 2001 – May 2002).

Dr Nelson Martins (nelson@peaceworkspartners.org) Lecturer UnPaz & PhD Student MSHR, NT. Medical physician with 8 years working and experience in tuberculosis control program. Founding director of the National Tuberculosis Program and former member of the Interim Health Authority for East Timor. One of the early Timorese doctors that rendered medical service in the resistance movement, emergency and transitional phases of government. For the last 3.5 years Dr Nelson conducting various researches using transdisciplinary methodology to answer some of the operational research questions in Timor-Leste NTP. Organising and field implementing the first randomized control trial in Dili. Served as a medical consultant for International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease (IUATLD).

A/Professor Paul Kelly (paul.kelly@anu.edu.au): Director Masters of Applied Epidemiology Program, National Centre for Epidemiology & Population Health, The Australian National University, Canberra. Epidemiologist and Public Health Physician with over 15 years experience in tuberculosis control in developing countries and 7 years experience in East Timor. He was a key player in the formation of the current East Timorese health system after the conflict in 1999 and has been a consultant to the National TB Control Program since then. He has also been involved in capacity building for research in East Timor, co-organising the first national health research workshop in 2005, supervising 2 Timorese PhD students and co-facilitating the country's first randomized controlled trial in Dili.

Ms Natalie Grove (n.grove@unsw.edu.au): Natalie is a researcher in the School of Public Health and Community Medicine at The University of New South Wales. Her background is in occupational therapy and public health. Her current research interests focus on community health in conflict and disaster, and ethical conduct in research. She is especially interested in understanding the response of children to conflict and to developing appropriate methods of working with children to ensure that their resilience, perspectives and agency can be appreciated and built upon.

Ms Kayli Wayte (Kayli.Wayte@menzies.edu.au) Menzies School of Health Research, Charles Darwin University. Kayli is an anthropologist with a master of public health. She is currently doing a PhD on the reconstruction of the maternal health system in Timor-Leste. Her areas of expertise are qualitative research methods, medical anthropology, participatory action research and she

has a growing interest in health policy analysis. She has experience working on the ground with Indigenous communities in Australia and with technical advisors and NGOs in maternal health in Timor-Leste.

Professor Derrick Silove (d.silove@unsw.edu.au): Professor, School of Psychiatry and Centre for Population Mental Health Research. Derrick has extensive experience in researching on mental health-related issues as they affect refugees and others affected by collective violence. He has been involved in numerous activities related to psychosocial and mental health in Timor-Leste: the establishment of PRADET and mental health training and policy development, epidemiological studies of epilepsy and mental health in Timor, and an assessment of the mental health and psychosocial implications of the Timorese Truth and Reconciliation Commission (CAVR).

Professor Daniel Tarantola (d.tarantola@unsw.edu.au): Professor and Chair of Health and Human Rights at the School of Public Health and Community Medicine, working on a cross-University NewSouth Global research initiative involving the faculties of Medicine, Law and Arts and Sciences. The initiative is particularly focused on health and human rights aspects of HIV/AIDS, migration and post-conflict mitigation in the Asia/Pacific Region. Expertise from many years of working at the World Health Organization on large scale international health programmes includes: the eradication of smallpox, immunizations, development of diarrhoeal disease and acute respiratory infection control programmes, vaccines and HIV/AIDS. Current interests: Research in Health and Human Rights policies and programmes, particularly on HIV and related diseases, emerging diseases, public health emergencies, conflicts, population displacement, and vulnerable populations.

Dr Anna Whelan (a.whelan@unsw.edu.au) Senior Lecturer in the School of Public Health and Community Medicine at the University of New South Wales. Academic interest in public health and management, with a special focus on diversity health and management and models of working communities; as well as international reproductive health. Over 15 years experience working as a consultant to WHO, UNFPA, AusAID across Asia and the Pacific. Team leader of part of the global evaluation on reproductive health services for refugees in 2004 and an active member of the steering committee for the Interagency Working Group on reproductive health for refugees.

Ms Paula Gleeson (p.gleeson@unsw.edu.au): Paula is a part time research associate with the School of Public Health and Community Medicine at the University of New South Wales. Her background is in management and public health. Paula has experience in immunisation and surveillance as well as community driven projects in resource deprived or conflict environments.

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