

Social Marketing for Public Health. 2022 Implementation

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Social marketing @ USF

- The University of South Florida has been at the forefront of social marketing research applied to health for decades
- Since 2014, USF has been home to the World Health Organization Collaborating Center on Social Marketing and Social Change thanks to the support of the Pan American Health Organization
- Collaborated with PAHO on several projects to increase capacity in the use of social marketing to address NCDs

WHO Collaborating Center for Social Marketing

- Mission: To address the growing problem with non-communicable diseases by capitalizing on the strengths of social marketing coupled with social change strategies.
- The center focuses its activities around three pillars:
 - Training
 - Technical assistance
 - Capacity building & knowledge Exchange

Previous Collaborations

- Social marketing courses at USF
- Social Marketing Conference and Training Academy
- CARMEN Virtual Public Health Course
- International Development Research Centre (IDRC) project with five country partners in Latin America
- PAHO Virtual Campus for Public Health



Social Marketing

An approach to behavior change that uses traditional marketing tools to promote sustainable and positive social change

Humancentered Researchguided Marketing techniques

Social good

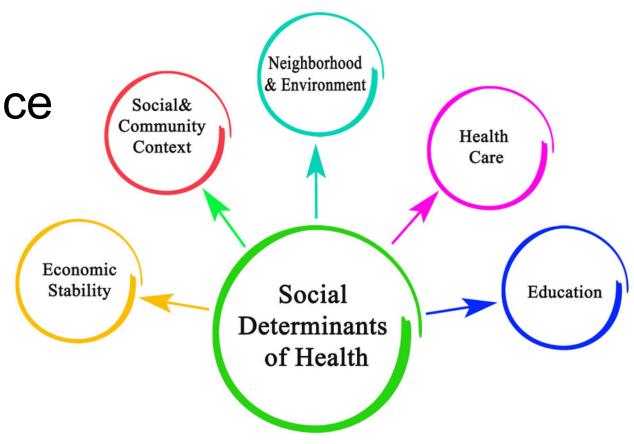
Distinctive Features

- Listening/Research
- Gain insights:
 - Select behavioral target
 - Segment priority population
 - Understand competition (What they are doing currently)
 - Develop integrated marketing mix (4 Ps of marketing)



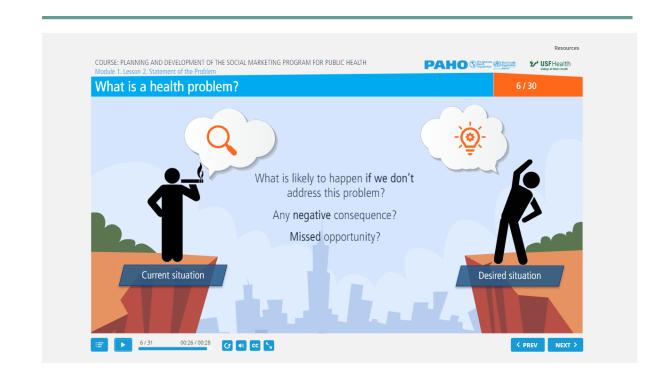
Social Determinants of Health

- System-based
- Understanding influence and influencers
- Population
 - Individual
 - Stakeholders
 - Decision-makers



Social Marketing: Education Not the Solution

- Social marketing moves beyond public awareness to behavior change.
- Social marketing can be used to:
 - Decrease demand for salt and high salt products
 - Generate demand for low sodium or salt alternatives
 - Influence decision makers, thus the policy environment



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Program on Social Marketing for Public Health

- This interactive multi-course curriculum prepares professionals in public health to use social marketing as a program development approach to achieve behavior change
- Participants: PAHO and partners' personnel, no prior experience in social marketing required



Course Implementation: July 2022- June 2023

Structure of the course

- Language-based groups
 - Spanish Latin America

English – Caribbean



Technical Assistance for 2022 Cohort









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Curriculum comprises 5 courses, each with 4-8 lessons that are interactive, practical and based on the experience of social marketers around the globe.

Course 1 - Social marketing for public health

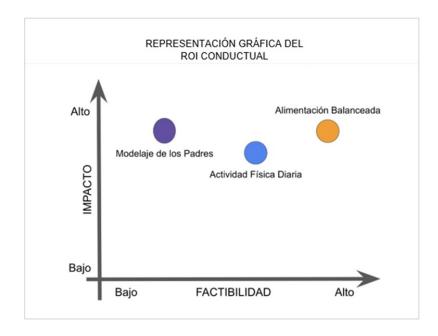
Courses with technical assistance provided:

- July 2022 –December 20222
 - Course 2 Initial planning in social marketing.
 - Course 3 Social marketing & communication strategy
 - Conducting/Analyzing/Synthesizing formative research
- January- June 2023
 - Course 4 Program development & implementation
 - Course 5 Monitoring and evaluation



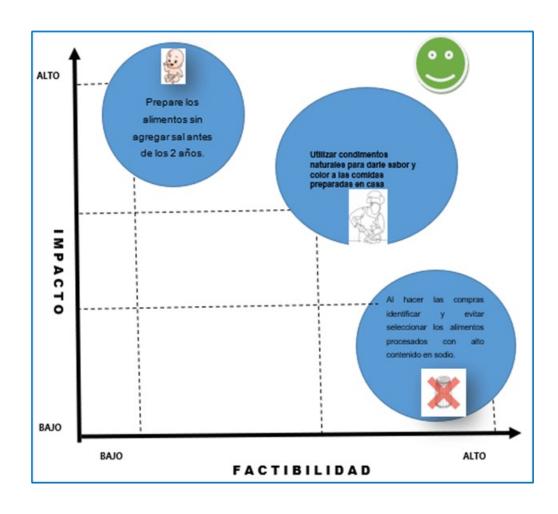
Latin America

Country	Problem	Behavioral focus	Audience
Uruguay	Obesity in primary school children	Decreased consumption of ultra-processed products	5th and 6th-grade elementary schoolchildren
Costa Rica	Obesity in the school-age population	Decreased consumption of sugar-sweetened beverages	Adolescents 12 to 17 years old in school
Paraguay	Overweight and obesity in the adult population (health officials)	Promote active pause in adults	Health officials
Panama	NCDs (hypertension)	Decrease salt/sodium intake	Ministry of Health staff and officials
Chile	School obesity	Promote the use of active mobility to commute to school	Primary schoolchildren
LATAM(Bolivia)	Cervical cancer prevention in the female population	Promote the acceptance of the Human Papilloma Virus vaccine among adolescent schoolgirls	Parents with older vaccinated children
Puerto Rico	School obesity	Promote the consumption of fruits and vegetables and increase physical activity through a school club	Schoolchildren of 6 to 12 years old
Bazil (Team A)	Excessive alcohol consumption in adolescents	Promote the control of alcoholic beverages in places frequented by adolescents.	Adolescents 14 to 17 years old in school





PUERTO RICO - Example of Return on Investment on increasing physical activity for children 6-12 years old



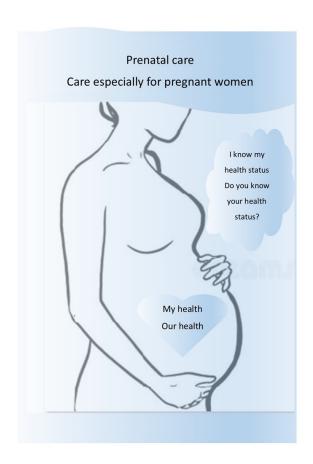
PANAMA- Example of Return on Investment for behavior change to decrease staff sodium intake at the Ministry of Health.

Caribbean Region

Country	Problem	Behavioral focus	Audience
Aruba	Tackle salt intake in women working at hotel resorts	Preparing healthier meals at home with less salt and more vegetables and fruit.	Women 25-64 who work at the Hilton Resorts across Aruba, Saint Maartin,
Bahamas	Decreasing high blood pressure in adults to decrease chances of stroke and heart attacks	Reducing salt intake in the daily diet	Royal Bahamas Defense Force officers (Marines)
Barbados	High prevalence of NCDs in Barbados related to a sedentary workforce	Increase physical activity in the workplace	Ministry of Health
Dominica	High obesity rates in children	Decrease the consumption of sugar- sweetened drinks	Parents of children 3-5 years old
Haiti	High blood pressure in men and women	Decrease salt intake and increase salt substitutes	Women who cook at home
Suriname	Early detection of hypertension in pregnant women	Get women screened for prenatal checkups.	Women attending from the Medical Mission
Trinidad and Tobago	Harmful use of alcohol among adolescents aged 16-18 in Trinidad	Encourage adolescents aged 16-18 years in Trinidad to consume less alcohol through education and awareness	Students who are due to graduate in 2023 and their families



BAHAMAS Reduce Salt intake in diet



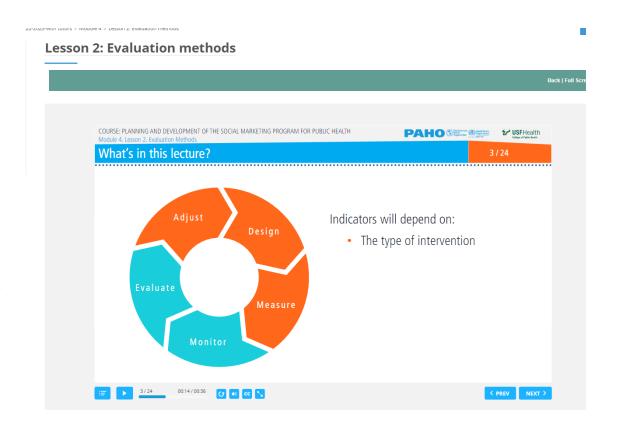
SURINAME Early detection of hypertension



TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO Encourage less alcohol consumption In teenagers

Outcome

- 80 hours of course engagement
- 15 assignments submitted by each team
- Six months of weekly office hours
- Over 20 one-on-one country cohort meetings with tutors
- Over 15 course-specific resources sent to cohorts as technical support separate to course resources
- 14 Social Marketing Strategy Formation Workbooks created.
- Certificates: 17 people from Caribbean Region and 12 from Latin America





Moving beyond planning: Implementation (Aruba & Puerto Rico)

Technical Assistance on Funded Programs

- Puerto Rico and Aruba/St Maarten received funding to execute their social marketing campaigns
- USF provided bi-weekly technical assistance to support their tactical plans
- Panel discussion will showcase their work



Lessons Learned

- Formative research was added to the course to fill the gap between theory and practice
- In the future, we recommend more time to complete modules 1 and 2 to accommodate research in the field

 Balance of work and course commitment is necessary from supervising staff to enable to course participants to better benefit from the course contents and activities

Upcoming activities:

- Creation of a social marketing toolkit/manual focusing on salt reduction
 - The manual aims to support the user in creating a social marketing campaign
 - The manual will follow the online course structure with case studies and templates
 - The manual serves to support the increased use of social marketing in the region to support salt reduction initiatives



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