## **REGIONAL NETWORKS AFFILIATES**

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This template aims at giving an overview of the Regional Network's approach to the safe abortion/medical abortion issue, their organizational aspects, and their strategies in dealing with their advocacy mission.

	ANMA	ASAP	CLACAI	EEARC
	African Network for Medical Abortion	Asia Safe Abortion Partnership	Latin American Consortium Against Unsafe Abortion	Eastern European Alliance for Reproductive Choice
Launching	February, 2009	March, 2008	May, 2006	June, 2008
Webpage	In development	www.asap-asia.org	www.clacai.org	www.reprochoice.org
Goal	To contribute to the reduction of maternal mortality and morbidity rate in Africa arising from unsafe abortion	Promote, protect and advance women's sexual & reproductive rights and health by reducing unsafe abortion and its complications and, where legal, by promoting access to comprehensive safe abortion services	Reduce the incidence of unsafe abortion by increasing access to modern and safe technologies while respecting women's sexual & reproductive rights	Help protect women's reproductive health by advocating for their right to reproductive choice & access to safe abortion
Objectives	General: To provide a common platform to increase access to Medical Abortion in Africa	To serve as a forum for information and experience sharing, strategic thinking and planning for a collective vision aimed towards regional and international advocacy	To foster exchange of information to strengthen advocacy, research, and provision of services aimed at improving access to safe abortion	To serve as a forum for information and experience sharing, strategic thinking and planning for a collective vision aimed towards advocacy at regional and international level
Objectives	<ol> <li>Specific:         <ol> <li>Strengthen and promote the network in Africa</li> <li>Build capacity within the region to improve access to medical abortion</li> <li>Advocate for legal and policy implementation/ reform to increase access to medical abortion</li> </ol> </li> <li>Facilitate communication on medical abortion in Africa</li> <li>Conduct monitoring and evaluation</li> </ol>	1. To support members to advance the partnership goal in their country contexts through the following areas:  • law, advocacy and policy • capacity building • research and documentation • service delivery  2. To promote new technologies, including manual vacuum aspiration and medical abortion	To place the unsafe abortion issue in regional and national human rights and public health agendas     To disseminate updated information on technologies related to safe abortion, particularly medical abortion	<ol> <li>To support members to advance the partnership goal in their country contexts through the following areas:         <ul> <li>legislation, policy and advocacy</li> <li>capacity building</li> <li>research &amp; documentation</li> <li>service delivery</li> </ul> </li> <li>To promote access to medical abortion for every woman, as a safe and efficient method of pregnancy termination</li> </ol>

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Membership	<ul> <li>Any organization or individual can apply for ANMA membership if it meets the following criteria:</li> <li>Works to enhance access to safe abortion care in Africa</li> <li>Demonstrates commitment to women's right to access safe abortion care</li> <li>Subscribes to the Network's goal and overall objective</li> <li>Is willing to support , provide advice, share information, and link to other members for the benefit of the Network</li> <li>Membership is by application or recommendation by members and is voluntary</li> </ul>	Organizations & individuals that agree with the goal and objectives of the partnership and are, or intend to be, active in promoting or supporting access to comprehensive safe abortion services, including medical abortion	Individuals and institutions committed to CLACAI's mission: Researchers, providers, advocates and policy makers engaged in activities to eradicate unsafe abortion	Providers, researchers, individuals, representatives of NGOs, women's organisations promoting comprehensive reproductive choice
	47 members	89 members on list serve	134 members	82 members
	20 out of 52 countries: Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Democratic Republic of Congo, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopian, Gabon, Ghana, Kenya, Mali, Mozambique, Nigerian, South Africa, Sudan, Tanzania, Tunisia, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe	37 original members <i>(General Body)</i> 16 out of 38 countries :Australia, Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Turkey, Vietnam	14 out of 19 countries LA (out of 38 LA + Caribbean countries):  Argentina, Bolivia, Brasil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Guatemala, México, Nicaragua, Perú, Uruguay y Venezuela	(13 organizations, 69 individuals)  14 out of 29 countries (WHO):  Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belorussia Georgia, Israel ,Kyrgyzstan, Lithuania, Moldova, Poland, Romania, Russia, Turkmenistan , Ukraine, Uzbekistan
	Steering Committee	Steering Committee	Coordinating Committee	Steering Committee
	9 members (includes 1 Chairperson)	7 members (includes 1 Chairperson)	6 members	7 members
	Nominated / selected as representatives of the Africa regions: Eastern, Western, Southern, Northern and Central	Nominated / selected in their individual capacities or as representatives of organizations  Coordination	Nominated in their individual capacities <b>Advisory Board</b>	Coordination Office  1 chairperson
Covornanco	drawn from the general membership and with abortion-related expertise across sectors	1 person-coordinator	28 members from the founding members list  Executive Secretary	1 assistant
Governance		1 assistant		1 web manager
	Coordination	1 accounts officer	1 person (member of Coordinating	
	1 person – coordinator (member SC) 1 program assistant	All are part-time	Committee)  1 assistant	
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	Activities	Law, policy, advocacy	Advocacy	Activities
Lines of work	<ul> <li>Strengthening and promoting the network regionally and internationally (building capacity, generating resources, recruiting members)</li> <li>Creating partnership with other networks and Civil Society Organizations</li> <li>Collecting/Compiling/translating/disseminating basic documents in MA</li> <li>Advocating for legal and policy reform on MA</li> <li>Developing/adapting training curriculum/conducting training</li> <li>Working with partners to ensure the registration and availability of MA drugs</li> <li>Facilitating communication through various channel</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Strategic Mapping and pooling of existing resources</li> <li>Advocacy opportunities, other initiatives, allies and enemies to be identified</li> <li>Core advocacy messages developed.</li> <li>Template to be developed which members from each country can fill Information received from members</li> </ul>	Foster commitment of policy makers and health providers to develop public policies and services that guarantee women's access to comprehensive safe abortion services, including the availability of modern and safe technologies	<ul> <li>Collecting and analyzing country abortion profiles- technology available, country legislation, stakeholders, cost component, etc</li> <li>Developing EEARC website</li> <li>Developing information materials</li> <li>Participating and organizing regional and international meetings and conferences</li> <li>Developing a Memorandum to</li> <li>address the most important issues around abortion, to be used for advocacy for safe abortion</li> <li>Development of a Training curricula for abortion providers on comprehensive abortion care</li> <li>Capacity building of health care providers: ToT, introductory studies, dissemination of evidence-based teaching materials</li> <li>Development and dissemination of educational materials for the community</li> </ul>
		Research & Documentation     Mapping of research     (clinical & social science)     Website with country profiles- technology available, research capacity, stakeholders, cost component	Research Support, produce and gather scientific evidence on abortion	
		<ul> <li>Sharing data collection tools &amp; research instruments</li> <li>Aim to get together researchers to identify gaps and future directions (2009 APCRSH)</li> <li>Dissemination of research with partners on a regular basis (website, e group)</li> </ul>	Access to health care services and technologies  Improve access to comprehensive health care services and to technologies for safe abortion	
		Service Delivery  • Dissemination of standard regimen	Information, education and communication	
		<ul> <li>Disserimation of standard regimen</li> <li>Disseminate/ distribute training materials</li> <li>Profile list of pharma companies</li> <li>Gather/share IEC material</li> <li>Share M&amp;E tools for illiterate women (Nepal)</li> <li>Exchange training programs for service delivery</li> <li>Quality of care component</li> </ul>	Improve access to updated and high- quality information about safe abortion technologies among women, health providers, women's & human rights advocates	
		Training needs assessment     Collation of training curriculum, tools     Orientation and following		
		<ul> <li>Orientation and follow up</li> <li>In-depth training: technical skills, contraception counseling, gender, rights, advocacy, value clarification</li> </ul>		