



VIC Update

June-December 2014

RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

- July 14-18: VIC, in collaboration with CPTA and the Singapore International Foundation (SIF), conducted training on Postural Control as a Basis for Movement and Walking.
- July 29: VIC, in collaboration with AARWCD and LDSC, organized an event to distribute wheelchairs to PWDs at Prey Veng Center. There were 150 participants including PWDs, partners NGOs, provincial departments at Prey Veng, authorities, MoSVY, PoSVY, PWDF, and VIC staff.
- August 9: VIC Country Director, Rithy, and Program Assistant, Thoura, attended a launching ceremony of CDPO on the establishment of the radio station broadcasting called "The Voice of Persons with Disabilities."
- September 8-9: VIC Country Representative, Rithy, attended a national CBR annual workshop conducted by MoSVY.
- October 7-10: VIC, in collaboration with CPTA and the Singapore International Foundation (SIF), conducted training on Cardio-Respiratory Physiotherapy.
- November 17-21: Ms. Catalina Serna Valencia, CEO of IC/VIC, visited the Cambodia programs.
- November 17-21: VIC, in collaboration with CPTA and PWDF, organized a National Training on Adult Trauma Rehabilitation (Spine and Extremities)
- December 11: VIC, in Collaboration with CBM and CDMD, conducted training on Disability and Inclusive Development (DID) to VIC staff at Kratie Center.
- December 24-26: All POs from Kien Khleang, Prey Veng, and Kratie Centers, attended the National Congress of PO Associations (KHAPO) in Prey Veng.

VIC Becomes a LNGO

VIC was advised by our main donor, USAID, to register as a local NGO, so that we can apply to receive funding from our local USAID office in Cambodia and other local donors.

On July 28, 2014, after having submitted their application packet in late June, VIC was approved as a LNGO by the Ministry of the Interior.



Kratie Flooding

During August, one of VIC's rehabilitation centers in Kratie was forced to close because of flooding. The center was closed for 2 weeks, but there were no injuries and relatively little damage. Kratie Center is open again for business and accepting patients.



VIC Adds Suggested Contribution Model

With the support and approval of MoSVY Cambodia, IC-VIC incorporated a sliding fee model in February 2012, by asking for a monetary contribution from all the PWDs who are receiving services from the three centers.

The second step of this plan involved the creation of a Suggested Sliding Fee. This suggested contribution would be based on specific guidelines and policies developed by VIC staff.

The manuals and paperwork which delineated these policies and guidelines were completed in July. MoSVY gave approval for a six-month pilot program, which began in August. VIC is now assessing the results before moving forward.

The overall purpose of establishing this "suggested contribution" is to increase the contribution and attention of all the clients (based on the results of a poverty assessment on their living conditions) to contribute on the services within a range of acceptable percentages on the services that they are receiving from the centers.

By implementing this program, VIC helps to ensure sustainability for its centers and that poor and very poor PWDs are still able to be provided services free of charge.

Initial examinations of the pilot are still being conducted but rough data shows that the overall profit from the Suggested Contribution Plan was 129%.