

Lunch-time seminar

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Estimating Mortality

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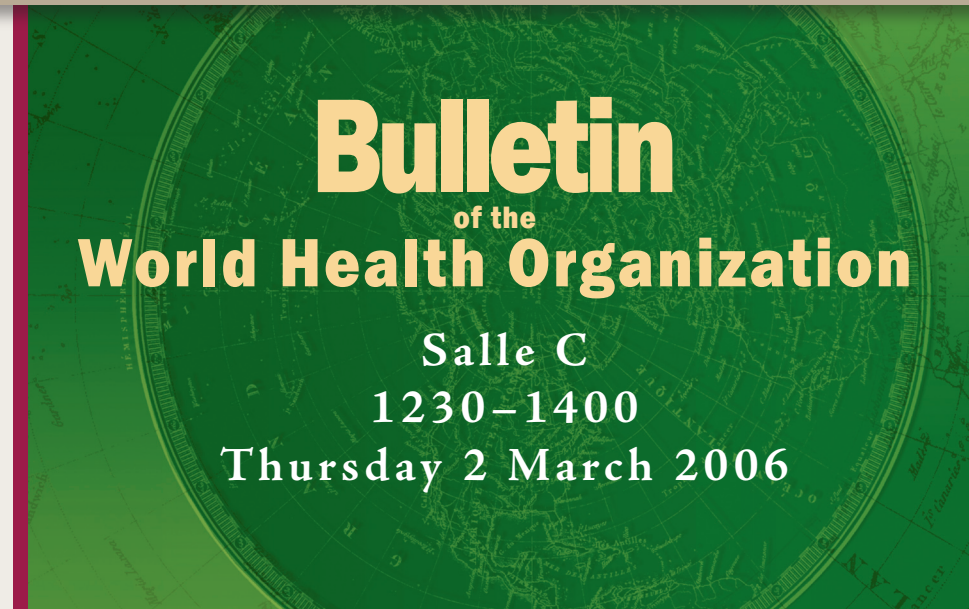
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Demands for death data are increasing, but how can we deliver?

Developing countries are struggling with growing demands for data to monitor progress towards the MDGs. Mortality data are key to this endeavour because countries and global initiatives need these data to receive and assess performance-based funding. New tools and methods for collecting mortality data are now available and more resources are being spent on gathering health information.

WHO has a great opportunity to help countries to improve mortality and cause-of-death estimates.