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WHO 60th anniversary commemorative volume

This month’s cover is of a classic public health poster on yaws, a disease that still exists in isolated tropical communities. In an editorial (499) and an interview (507–508), Kingsley Asiedu, from WHO’s Department of Control of Neglected Tropical Diseases, talks about past failures to eradicate yaws and what is needed now.

In an editorial (498), WHO’s Director-General and two foreign ministers report on progress made in analysing the relationship between health and foreign policy. Gary Humphreys (501–502) reports on the recent WHO initiative to encourage surgeons across the world to use safety checklists when they operate on patients.

Call for papers: Jane Wallace et al. (500) invite contributions to the upcoming Bulletin theme issue on communication in public health.

Early loss to programme for HIV-infected patients

Martin WG Brinkhof et al. (559–567) analyse the increasing problem of early loss of patients on antiretroviral treatment programmes.

Translating knowledge into practice

Cynthia Cordero et al. (524–534) demonstrate how selected health research funding agencies promote the translation of their research into policy and practice.

Future demand and supply

Richard Scheffler et al. (516–523) forecast the global shortage of physicians for 2015.

Finance for tuberculosis

Katherine Floyd & Andrea Pantoja (568–576) estimate the financial resources needed to meet tuberculosis control goals set for 2015.