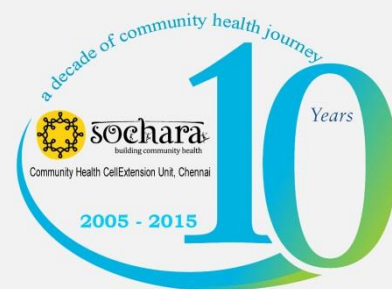




CONFERENCES



As per the objectives of SOCHARA, the unit always utilised all opportunities and spaces to build awareness on community health approaches and disseminate the learnings of the process. Few important presentations at national and international conferences by the team are given below.



Year 2008 - 2009

International People's Health University, Savar: One of the team members participated in a two week course on Right to Health organised by People's Health Movement in Savar, Bangladesh.



Year 2010 - 2011

National dissemination workshop of the Community Monitoring Process pilot phase, Delhi: The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare had organised a workshop for all the states involved in this process. The team presented the learnings of Tamil Nadu experiences.

3rd National Bioethics Conference, Delhi: SOCHARA team presented the learning and issues arising out of the Community Monitoring of the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) from the experiences of Tamil Nadu.

National conference of institutionalizing social accountability practices: Methods, tools, Issues and Challenges, Ahmedabad: The team presented the experience of community monitoring and planning processes as a tool to bring accountability in health systems in the conference organised by UNNATI (a working group in social accountability mechanisms).

Prince Mahidol Conference, Thailand: A team member participated in the First Global Forum on Health Information System 2010 in Bangkok to know the Thailand public health system's health information network and system.

South India Consultation on Harmonizing Women's Right to Abortion and Prevention of Sex Selection/Sex Selective Abortion, Chennai: The team developed a detailed position paper on community health approaches and comprehensiveness of health care to reduce sex selective abortion and circulated for consultation.



Year 2011 - 2012

Third National Health Assembly of Thailand, Bangkok: One of the team members was invited to take part in the Third National Health Assembly in 2012, in which he presented about participatory mechanisms as tool to build accountable health systems.



Community accountability practitioners meeting, Johannesburg: Community of Practitioners on Social Accountability and Health (COPASAH) convened a meeting in which a team member gave inputs on the conceptual model, the development of the tools and the assessment/evaluation of the process aspects from the experiences of Community Action for Health in Tamil Nadu.

National level consultation Universal Health Care, Delhi: A SOCHARA team member presented his views on “community participation and UHC” in a national level consultation of Universal Health Care.



Year 2012 - 2013

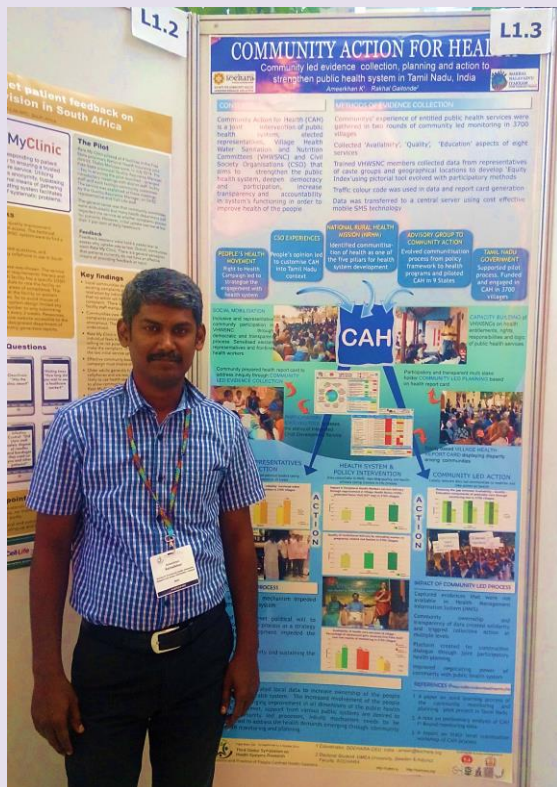
Workshop for community monitoring practitioners, Istanbul: A SOCHARA team member attended 3 days capacity building workshop for community monitoring practitioners in Istanbul organised by the Open Society Foundation in which he shared experience of community monitoring and planning in Tamil Nadu.

Emerging Voices, Beijing: A team member attended the Emerging Voices workshop at Beijing as a part of 2nd Health Systems Research Symposium.

Third Global People’s Health Assembly, Cape Town: SOCHARA team presented a paper on the strategies of community mobilisation towards achieving Health for All.



Year 2013 - 2015



National level training on Community Action for Health, Delhi: In 2013, Advisory Group on Community Action for Health (AGCA) organised a training program for all the state nodal officers and senior bureaucrats of NRHM. SOCHARA team members were invited to share their experiences of CAH in Tamil Nadu.

3rd Global Health System Conference, Cape Town: In 2014, SOCHARA presented a poster on the findings of CAH process in Tamil Nadu.

National consultation on Community Action for Health, Delhi: In 2014, AGCA organized a national consultation on CAH, in which the team members presented the learning of CAH in Tamil Nadu.

National workshop on Social Justice and Health, Bangalore: SOCHARA hosted a national workshop on social justice and health in

Bangalore in which the team members presented their views on “civil society’s experience in strengthening the public health system”.

