RESPONSIBILITIES OF AN AREA PEACE CORPS MEDICAL OFFICER

Area Peace Corps Medical Officers (APCMO) support the PCMOs Physician(s) or Nurse(s) in the countries in which they are based as well as in one or more neighboring countries. This support involves visiting the neighboring post(s) at least every quarter for a minimum of one week to:

- Orient/train new personnel and/or provide in-service training and education;
- Review routine treatment plans for common and endemic illnesses;
- Provide consultation for difficult diagnostic problems;
- Perform annual and termination physical examinations, as necessary;
- Ensure Assure that medical policies and procedures are followed and that the overall health care program is administered effectively and economically;
- Visit medical consultants and facilities used by the PCMO, and assist in making recommendations;
- Make periodic site visits to assess the preventive component of the health care program;
- Identify problems and assist the PCMO in taking remedial action solving them;
- Assist the PCMO in upgrading his/her diagnostic and management skills; and
- Assist in contract negotiations.