



Quality Assurance: A Pacific Regional Approach

Future of Health Care in the Insular Areas Summit: A Leaders Summit

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OCEANIA COMMUNITY HEALTH

- Hawaii-Based 501 (c) 3 Founded in 2002 by members of the Hawaii Community
- Mission:
 - To empower island communities to cultivate the wide determinants of their island's health. These determinants include health care, culture, environment, economics and education.
- Vision:
 - To help island communities make measured and sustained improvements in their health and inspire a greater awareness of health throughout the Pacific.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Efforts to strengthen the ability of Pacific communities to take ownership in their health.
- Focused in Yap, Federated States of Micronesia including:
 - 1) Facilitated a community's construction of an island health center
 - 2) Instructors for ongoing health professional development in Yap including quality assurance training for outer island health assistants.
 - 3) Enabled community response to Dengue outbreak.
 - 4) Provided obstetrical training to Yap Health Providers

FUTURE PROJECTS

- House-to-house health survey of the entire outer island communities of Yap.
- Promotion of home-grown efforts to promote health such as the implementation of the quality assurance program for Yap's outer island health dispensaries.

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- Hawaii- COMPACT IMPACT Task Force
- DOE- Special Medical Care for Victims of US Nuclear Weapons Testing in Pacific
- NCI Pacific Cancer Initiative

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- CDC Pacific Center for Excellence to Eliminate Health Disparities (Breast and Cervical Cancer)
- CDC Regional Pacific Comprehensive Cancer Planning and Implementation
- CDC Pacific Regional Cancer Registry

Hospital Sanitation: Why is the hospital dirty?

- Funds
- Health Priorities
- Organization and Management
- Health Work Force Training
- Reflects System Challenges

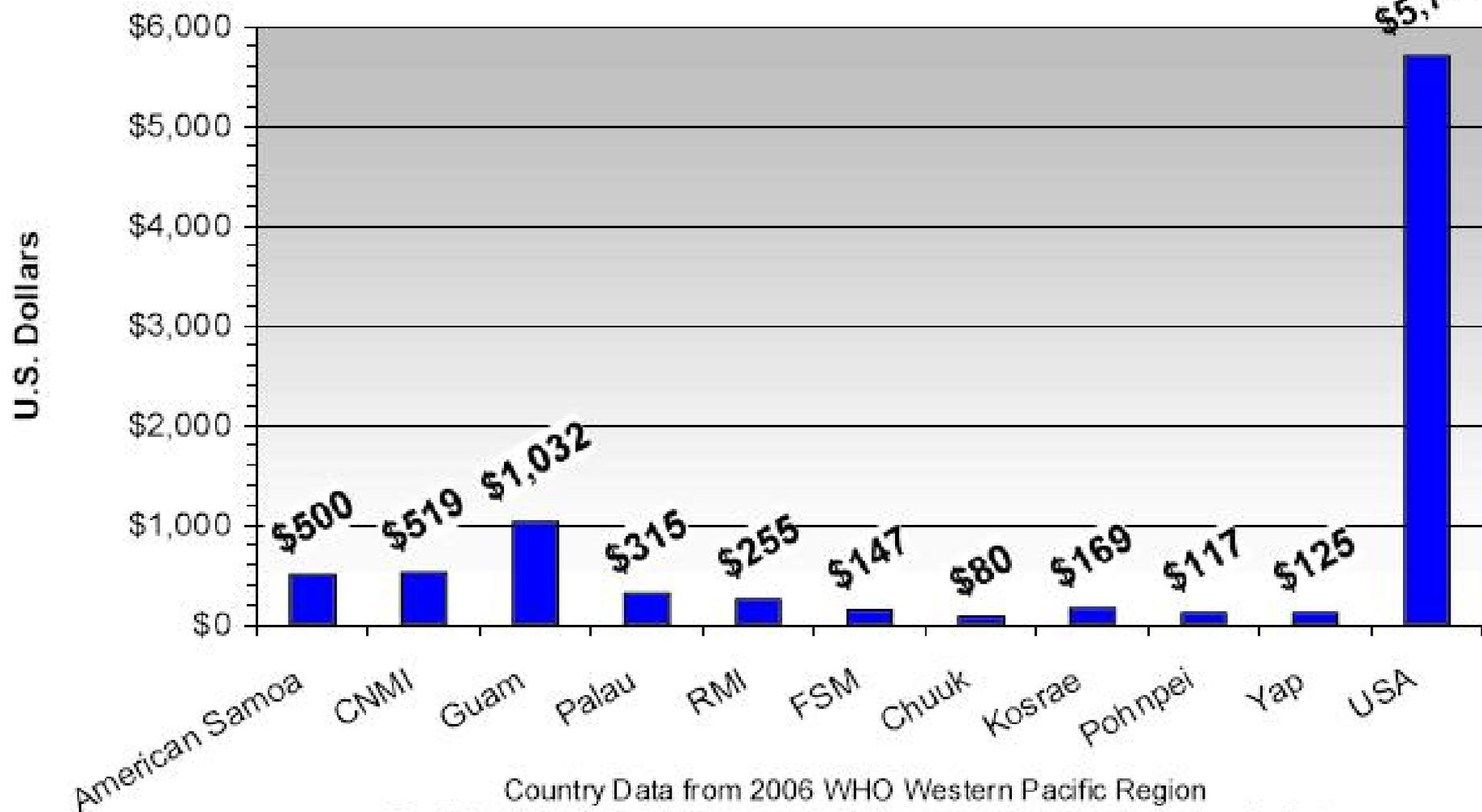
Hospital Operations

- US Per Acute Bed- \$1100- \$1400 / day
- FSM – \$45 /bed/day
- US Community Hospital Housekeeping
 - 3-6% of operations costs
- US Community Hospital Maintenance
 - 4% of operations

Health Care Costs

- WGH Hospital
 - 35 acute beds
 - 42 million dollars operating budget
- RMI 15-16 million health care budget
 - Entire health care system
 - 135 acute beds
- Chuuk 7 million
 - Entire health care system

Per Capita Total Expenditures in Health

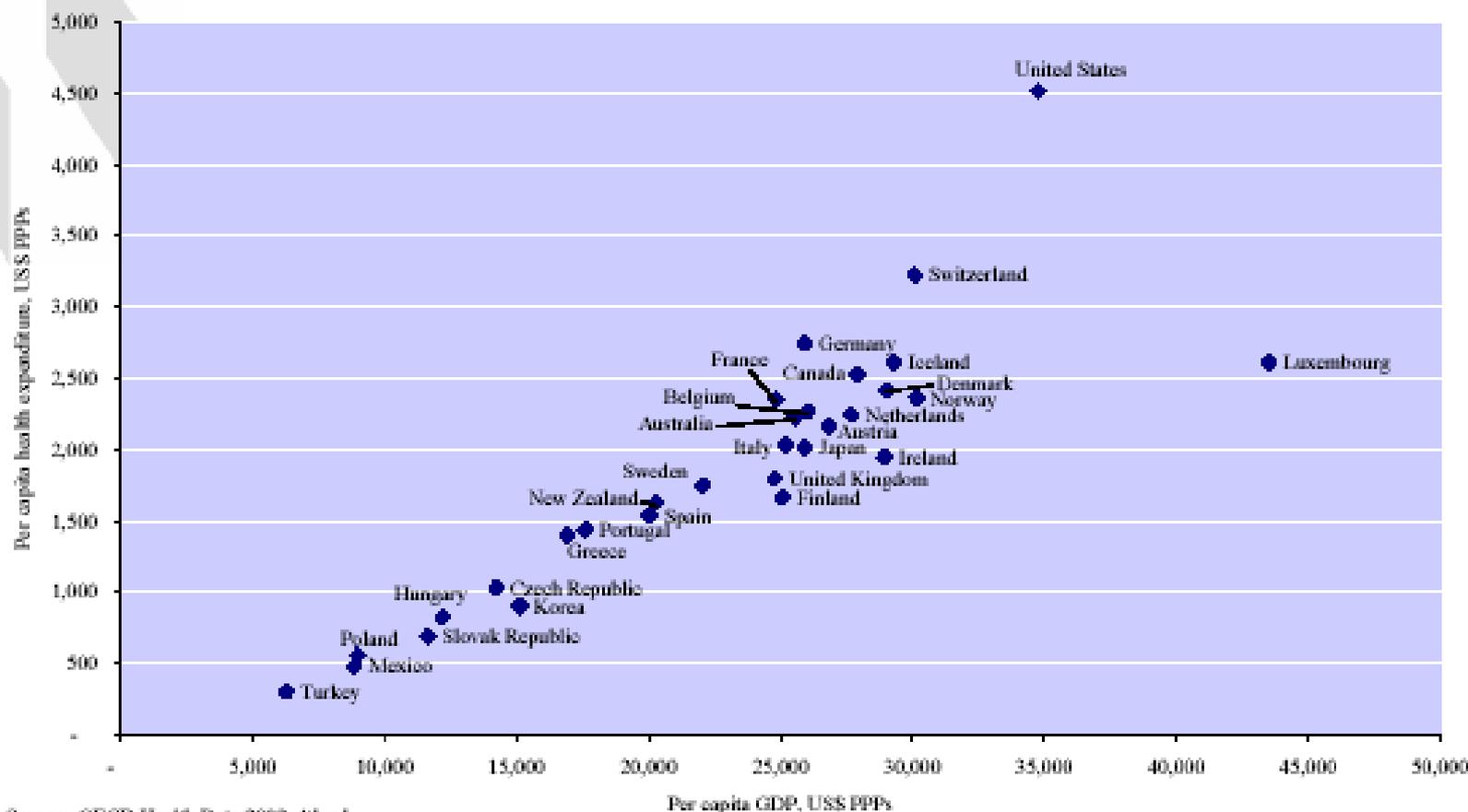


Country Data from 2006 WHO Western Pacific Region
Statistical Table 2. Socioeconomic Indicators <http://www.wpro.who.int>
FSM State Data from the FSM Census 2000



Per capita health spending and GDP, 2000

Figure 1. Per capita GDP and per capita health expenditure, 2000



Source: OECD Health Data 2002, 4th ed.

Quality Assurance

- Using performance data to improve a health system
- Organization
 - Interdependence of Systems
 - Interdependence of Partners
- Capacity
 - Absorptive Capacity
 - Financial & Human Resources

Standard of Care

First Step

- Define: Standard of Care
 - What's Desirable? What's Possible?
- Create Priorities
- Align Expectations
 - People, Plans. Interfacing Countries
- Coordinate Resources
 - Pacific Centric

Components of QA



REQUEST

- **Battle objective:** Standard of Care
- **Weapons :** Financial Resources & TA
- **Trained Soldiers:** Health Workforce (HRH)
- **Allies:** Partnerships (Fed, State, VA)
- **Battle Plan:** Integrating / Measuring/
Performance is QA
- **Command Center:** PIHOA-
Ministers/Directors of Health



IMPACT

- US Resources Can Make A Real Difference in Sustainable Development

Thank You

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