

CARE Water News – April 2013 Bulletin

Dear Colleagues,

We are excited to share the latest edition of the CARE Water bulletin with you, which includes online events, e-courses and other resources, and an interview with Jonathan Annis, Sanitation Advisor for WASH Plus. We hope this monthly email will help keep you up-to-date on happenings in the sector and we would love to receive your contributions for inclusion in subsequent bulletins. Please send any interesting documents, videos, photos, articles, opinion pieces, or other news highlighting your work in water to sgloor@care.org.

Around the CARE World



World Water Day Simulcast Panel Event

The recording of the World Water Day Simulcast Panel Event, held in Atlanta on April 9th, is now available online. The event was moderated by Jeffrey P. Koplan, Vice President for Global Health at Emory University and former Director of the CDC, with panelists Christine Moe, Director of the Center for Global Safe Water at Emory University; David Addiss, Director of the Children Without Worms Program at the Task Force for Global Health; and Lourdes Mindreau, Program Coordinator of Integrated Water Resources Management at CARE Peru.

[Watch it on YouTube](#)



Get to know Jonathan Annis, Sanitation Advisor for WASH Plus

How did you become interested in water issues?

I'm an environmental engineer by training. I decided in my third year at university to join the Peace Corps with the hope of working on water issues in Africa.

What is the most interesting part of your job? Why?

Honestly, I'm still trying to understand my job! Eventually I'd like to support CARE COs to integrate the state of the art in WASH programming into our projects. I'd like to influence USAID to think more broadly about sustainability issues.

Have you worked with CARE in the past? In what capacity?

Before coming to Washington I worked for CARE Madagascar as the Technical Coordinator for the USAID-funded RANO HamPivoatra Project.

What do you feel are the largest challenges confronting the WASH sector in West Africa in the next 5 years?

Urban and rural sanitation, introducing sustainable service delivery models to the poorest households and most marginalized communities, developing models to finance the long term costs of maintaining rural water supplies.

What is your favorite regional dish/meal?

Ravitoto which is a traditional dish from Madagascar made with pounded cassava leaves and pork

	<p><i>What is your favorite jet lag remedy?</i> Keep a good book handy</p> <p><i>If you could have a significant impact on one WASH-related behavior, which would you choose? Why?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ <u>Open defecation</u> - fixed point defecation is the most effective WASH behaviour for reducing diarrheal disease. ○ Handwashing ○ Safe water storage ○ Water treatment ○ Water conservation <p><i>Which is your favorite toilet or sanitation technology?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ PeePoo ✓ <u>ArborLoo</u> - Very low cost and adds tangible value to a homestead in communities that have no cultural or social barriers to planting a tree on top of full latrine pit. ○ Biogas toilet ○ Urine diverting toilet
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Other Updates

WASH in Schools Distance Course

Emory University's 5th WASH in Schools distance course will be held from June 2013 to November 2013. The application is open until the end of April 2013. The course objectives are: 1) Identify critical planning activities, such as assessing current school WASH conditions and existing capacity; 2) Collaborate with key stakeholders at local, district, and national level; 3) Select appropriate behavior change approaches and child-friendly facilities; and 4) Establish school data management and information systems to engender accountability and sustainability.

[More information](#)

Handwashing with Soap Toolkit

The Water and Sanitation Program (WSP) has launched a new toolkit, intended for water, sanitation and hygiene, public health and other development practitioners who use behavior change strategies to promote the critical need for handwashing with soap. Throughout the four modules, users of the toolkit can access narrated instructional presentations, research briefs, working papers and other tools.

[Access the toolkit](#)

Integrated Global Action Plan for the Prevention and Control of Pneumonia and Diarrhea

Last week, the World Health Organization and UNICEF launched the Integrated Global Action Plan for the Prevention and Control of Pneumonia and Diarrhea (GAPPD), the first-ever simultaneous effort to protect children from pneumonia and diarrhea. The cohesive approach brings together critical services and interventions to create health environments, promotes practices known to protect children from disease and ensures that every child has access to proven and appropriate preventive and treatment measures.

[Read the plan](#)

E-Course: What does it take to scale up rural sanitation?

The Water, Engineering and Development Centre (WEDC) at Loughborough University, in partnership with the Water and Sanitation Program (WSP) of the World Bank, have designed a free self-paced online course for those faced with the

issues of scaling-up sanitation in rural areas throughout the developing world. Each section of the three part course takes approximately one hour to study, excluding associated reading.

[Register here](#)

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