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A Community Based Primary Healthcare Approach to Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) in Rural Nicaragua

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A Ministry of Sharing Health and Hope

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- "In Nicaragua, a doctor shouldn't just be a doctor; a doctor must also be a teacher."
- Work alongside communities to improve health, education, and development
- Through partnerships AMOS seeks:
 - Health for all people
 - A world where no child dies of a preventable disease
 - Effective and empowering health care





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What is Community Based Primary Health Care?

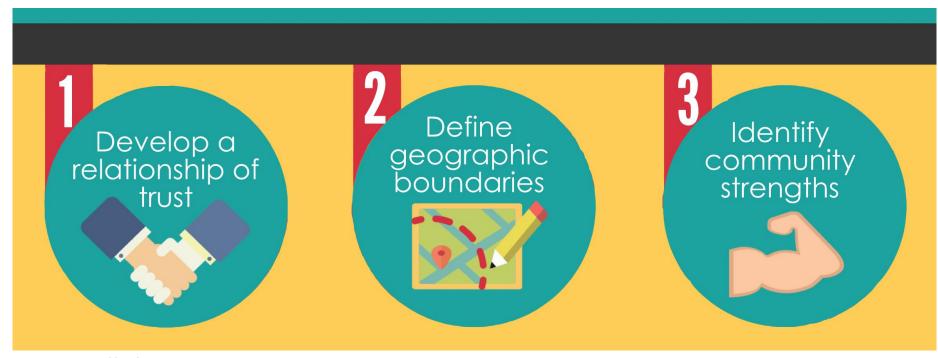
- Health is a fundamental human right
- Inter-sectoral development
- Community Participation
- Requires and promotes self-reliance
- Community participation in planning, organization, operation, and control of primary health care



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AMOS Community Based Primary Healthcare Model

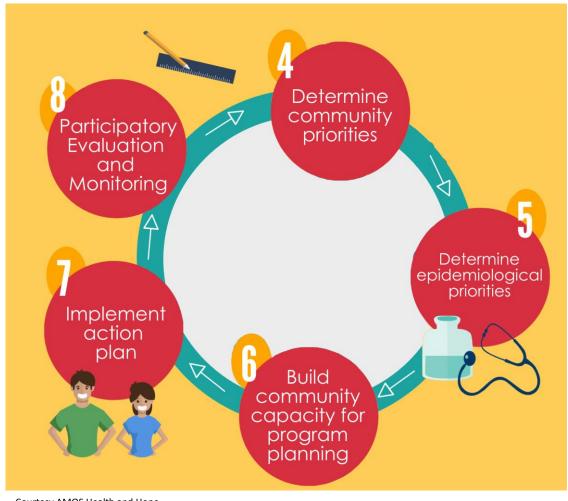




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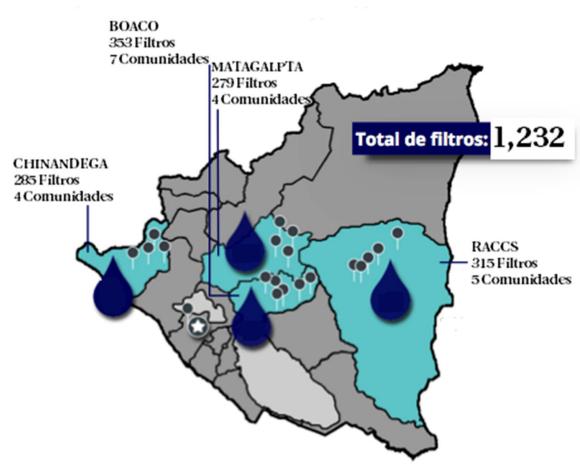


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AMOS' Scope

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- Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH)
- Maternal Care
- Child Care
- Holistic Health
- Clinic Care
- Community Development
- Lay Epidemiology
- Environmental Health



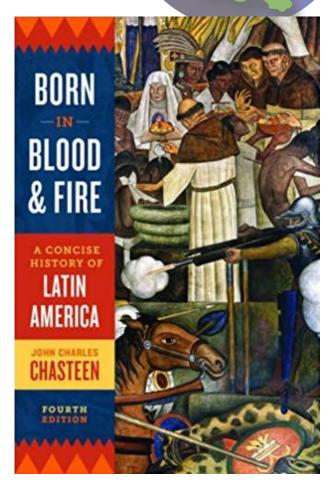




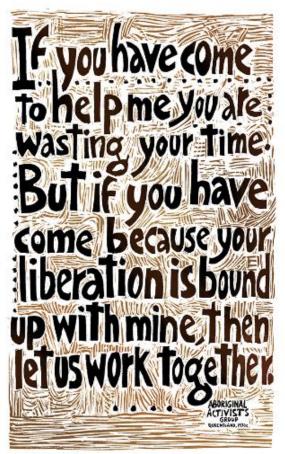
- Nicaraguan cultural and historical orientation, intercultural development
- Introduction to critical theory, power and privilege, and critical consciousness; finding out social location
- Analysis of current models for global rural health care
- Burden of disease and AMOS interventions
- Millennium Development Goals (MDG's), Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's), Global Economics, and Neoliberal Policies: Impact on Nicaragua
- Introduction to CBPHC: History, Alma Ata, and Nicaragua; Introduction to Community Based Participatory Research (CBPR) Principles and Methodology
- A Review of Social Determinants of Health

- Introduction to Community Empowerment: Theory and Philosophy
- Development of public health skills through survey administration workshops
- Material validation
- Monitoring and evaluation, curriculum development, exposure to fieldwork and rural health care setting
- Child and maternal health interventions
- Clean water interventions
- Technical report, donor report, and community report development and presentation
- Cultural and Narrative Humility, Debrief, and Faith and Health

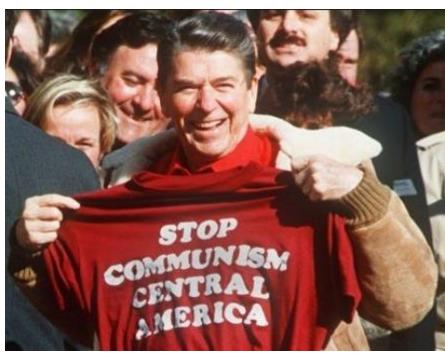
- Ensure that missionary work, along with any public health intervention, does good and not harm
- We must still be concerned with forces like power, prejudice, and poverty – these too constitute forms of violence, as they cause people harm
- Even when approached with the best intentions, we can strip communities, especially indigenous ones, of their own cultures and practices
- Ethical public health work can and should provide another way



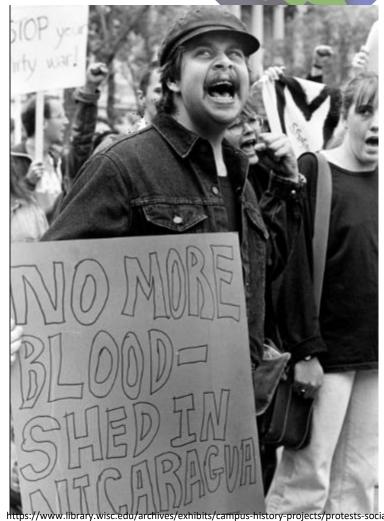




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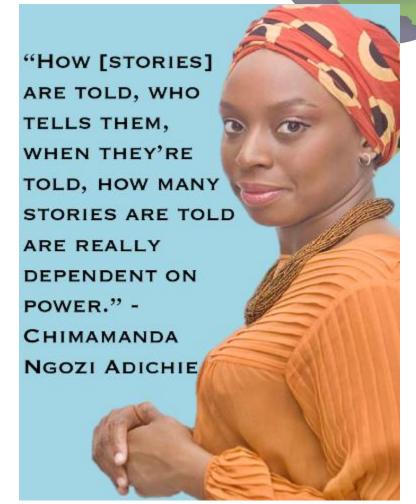
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Is Cultural Competence Enough?

- What makes you competent in a culture?
 - Language
 - History
 - Social Norms
 - Cultural Activities
- How to practice cultural humility?
 - Lifelong learning and critical selfreflection
 - Puts parties in a mutually beneficial relationship and attempts to diminish damaging power dynamics
 - Institutional accountability



WASH in Nicaragua

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- Nicaragua is 1 of 3 Latin American countries that is off track in the sanitation Millennium Development Goals
- Nicaragua has less than 50% rural sanitation coverage





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Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH)



- Personal hygiene
- Home hygiene
- Use and management of water
- Use and management of latrines
- Proper waste management
- Protection of water sources and the environment



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Water Promotors







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Monitoring and Evaluation: Knowledge, attitude, and practice (KAP) and water filter surveys





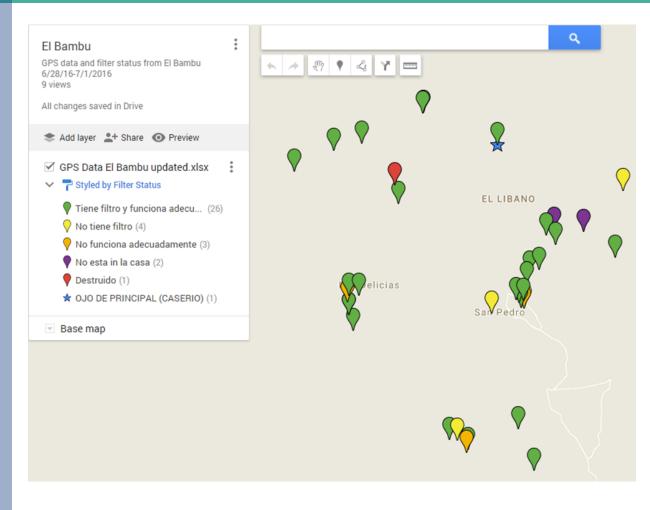


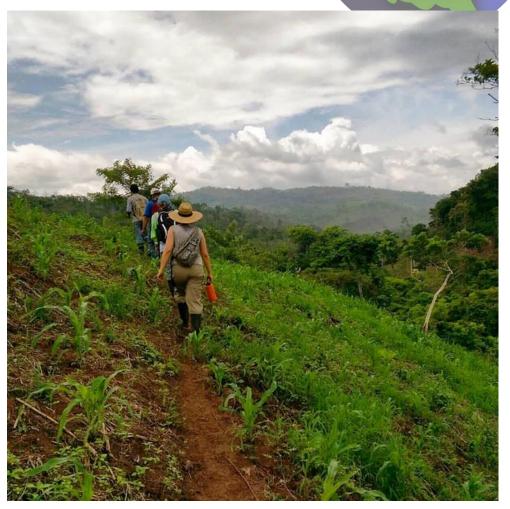
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Monitoring and Evaluation: Geotagging





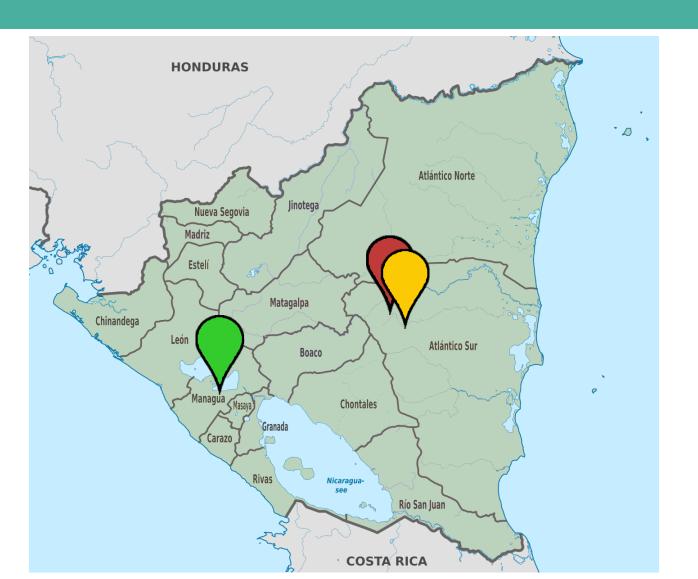


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Logic Model Goals

- 80% of the families that live in the communities Banco de Sikia receive visits by the Water Promoters
- 80% of the houses checked had an adequate place to wash their hands
- 50% of the houses have gates in the main entrance and in the kitchen to block the access of animals to the inside of the house
- 80% of the houses provide proper maintenance to latrines
- 80% of the families properly remove the waste generated in their homes
- 80% of families that live in Banco de Sikia have a water filter or practice some method to improve water quality
- 80% reduction of recontamination of filtered water stored in recipients

My projects





El Bambu Training and Baseline Data





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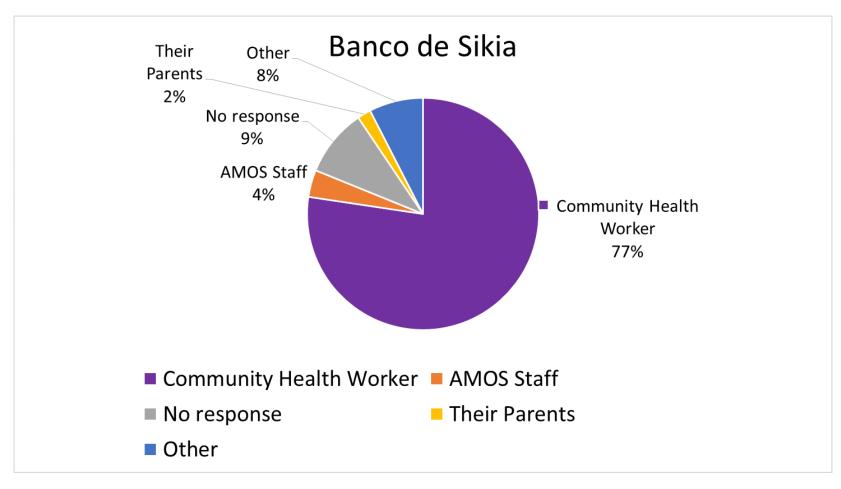






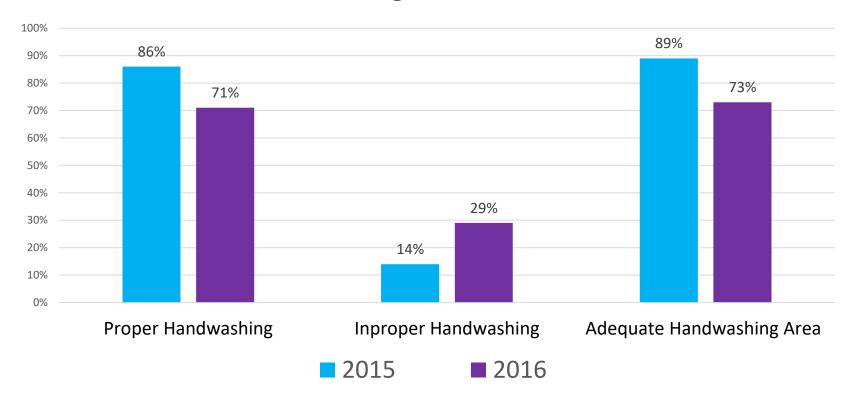
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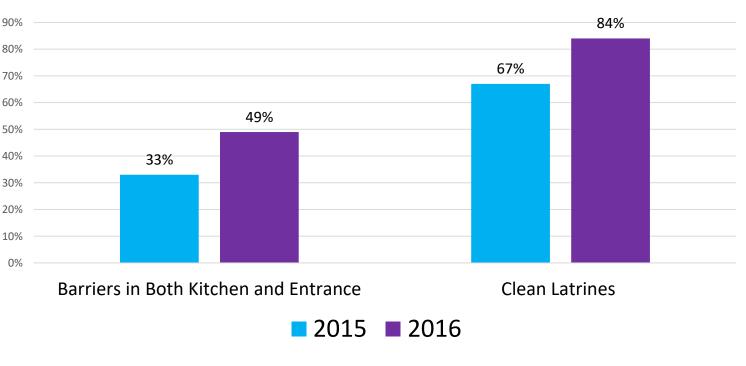
Handwashing in Banco de Sikia



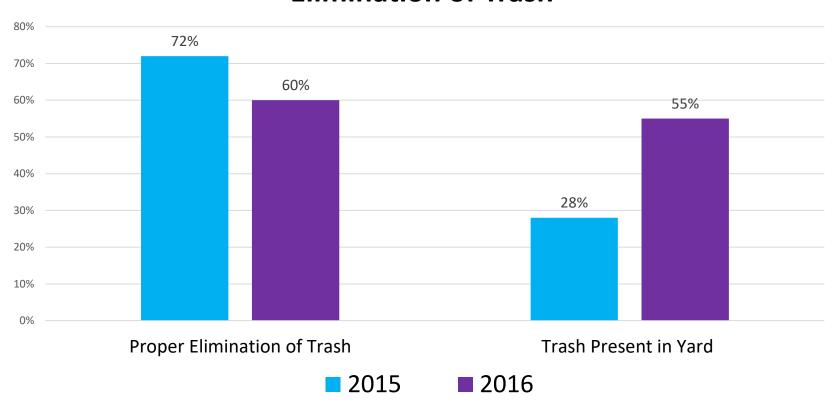


Barriers to Households and Cleanliness of Latrines





Elimination of Trash



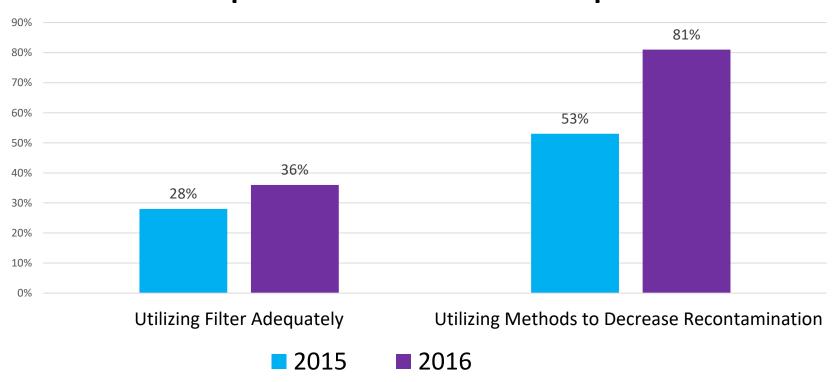




Method of Disinfection	Percent Change from 2015	Overall p-value
Chlorine	75% decrease in use from	
	2015	
Filter	76% increase in use from	<0.001
	2015	
Sedimentation	2% increase in use from	
	2015	
No Method Used	78% decrease from 2015	



Adequate use of Filters and Recipients





Banco de Sikia Community Report





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Conclusions

"If you give me a fish you have fed me for a day.

If you teach me to fish, then you have fed me until the river is contaminated or the shoreline is seized for development.

But if you teach me to organize then whatever the challenge I can join together with my Peers and we will fashion our own solution.

- Working with Organizations and Social Change



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MPH Foundational Competencies

- Evaluate policies for their impact on public health and health equity
- Apply awareness of cultural values and practices to the design or implementation of public health policies or programs
- Compare the organization, structure and function of health care, public health and regulatory systems across national and international settings
- Discuss the means by which structural bias, social inequities and racism undermine health and create challenges to achieving health equity at organizational, community and societal levels
- Assess population needs, assets and capacities that affect communities' health



MPH Foundational Competencies

- Interpret results of data analysis for public health research, policy or practice
- Communicate audience-appropriate public health content, both in writing and through oral presentation
- Apply principles of leadership, governance and management, which include creating a vision, empowering others, fostering collaboration and guiding decision making
- Apply negotiation and mediation skills to address organizational or community challenges
- Perform effectively on interprofessional teams



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