

GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR CONDUCTING INTERNATIONAL HEALTH ACTIVITIES

FACILITATOR GUIDE FOR EXECUTIVE/BOARD FORMATION

(12 – 15 MINUTES)

Objectives: Participants will be able to

- Name the guiding principles for conducting international health activities.
- Explain “A Modern Day Parable” in light of Catholic social teaching.

General guidelines for the Facilitator:

- The Facilitator should be familiar with the contents of the booklet *Guiding Principles for Conducting International Health Activities*, as this is the document on which the learning will be based.
- The Facilitator should be familiar with Parable of the Sowing found in Matthew 13:1-23, Mark 4:3-20, Luke 8:4-15.
- The Facilitator should be familiar with the video “A Modern Day Parable” (4 min) and how to play it for an audience.
- In preparation for this session it would be beneficial for the Facilitator to become familiar with several of CHA’s international outreach resources including: *Short-Term Medical Mission Trips: Recommendations for Practice*; *Disaster Response: Considerations for Catholic Health Care*; *Responsible Redistribution of Medical Supplies & Equipment – Leading Practices for Hospitals & Health Systems*. These resources and more are available at <https://www.chausa.org/internationaloutreach/resources>.
- Please note: there is a facilitator guide for leading a more developed, longer process at www.chausa.org/guidingprinciples.
- The Video, A Modern Day Parable, can be accessed at www.chausa.org/guidingprinciples.

Outline of Session	Content	Facilitator Actions/ Opportunities for Discussion
Welcome and Purpose (2 minutes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International health projects call for careful consideration. • They should not be entered into lightly but assessed and evaluated against the principles that have been developed through careful research. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ask the group to turn to pages 2 – 3 in the booklet. 2. Point out the six guiding principles and say the six aloud. 3. Explanations for each principle are provided in the booklet.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guiding principles are found in the booklet, pages 2 – 3. 	
Show the Video, “A Modern Day Parable” (4 minutes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduce and show the video. Mention that It is adapted from the familiar <i>Parable of the Sowing</i> found in the Gospels. 	Note that pages 4 – 5 of the booklet contain the parable.
Reflect on the video message (4 – 6 minutes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion 	<p>After the video has played, these questions can be asked to lead into discussion. (Depending on time available and the interest of the group, one or more of the questions can be discussed.)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> What are your initial reactions to this parable? Intellectually? Emotionally? Spiritually? Can you see yourself in this parable? With whom do you identify? Did it surprise you or arouse your curiosity?
Conclusion and Reflection (1 – 2 minutes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inform the group that there is a 45 – 60 minute educational module based on this video and its message. Groups who are considering international projects are the intended audience for the longer session. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pope Francis is quoted on inside back cover of the booklet. Invite one of the group to read the whole quote as a concluding reflection.
If there is time, questions can be invited.		Do you have further thoughts before we close? Any questions?