

International Disability Collaborations

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International Opportunities

- International Association for the Scientific Study of Intellectual Disabilities (IASSID)
- Student , post-doc, and faculty exchanges
- Disability Studies around the world
- International declarations and task groups
- *World Report on Disabilities*
- Research collaborations



IASSID

- Special Interest Groups Roundtables
 - Aging-yearly around the world
 - Aging-September 19 and 20 in Boston
- Joint publications
 - Book series on aging and disabilities
 - *Health of Women with Intellectual Disabilities* (Walsh & Heller, 2002)
 - State of Science on Aging
 - Journals-JIDR, JPPID



Student , Post-doc, Faculty Exchanges

- Classes held together (Trinity College, Dublin)
- Student /Post-doc exchanges(Australia, UK, Spain, Germany, Canada)
- Participation in dissertation committees
- Faculty exchanges(Japan, Spain, Columbia, Australia, Israel)
- Visiting delegations (Korea, Cypress, Japan)



Disability Studies Internationally

- Summer Institute in Disability Studies (France)
- Ireland-Trinity College, Dublin
- Israel
- Australia
- UK
- Canada
- Netherlands



Toronto Declaration on Bridging Knowledge, Policy & Practice in Aging and Disability

(Bickenbach et al., 2012)

- Includes concepts, tasks, technologies and practices aimed at improving knowledge sharing and collaboration across stakeholders, organizations and fields of care and support for persons with disabilities, families, and the aging population
- Tasks of dissemination, coordination, assessment, empowerment, service delivery, management, financing and policy
- Aims to improve efficiency, equity of care, inclusion and support from person to society



Timely Opportunity for Bridging Aging/Disabilities



Bridging Knowledge, Practice & Policy Between Aging and Disability

Challenges in Bridging Aging and Disability

- Historical segmentation of service systems
- Different philosophies, terms, and definitions
- Distinct fields of knowledge and practice, limited sharing or exchange
- Protection and duplication of funds
- Missed opportunities for knowledge translation, innovative policy change, and co-funding



World Report on Disability

(World Health Organization and the World Bank, 2011)

- 15% of world population-over 1 billion people
- Challenge of disabilities in low income countries and across nations and cultures
- Example of chapter on support and assistance



Special Olympics Research Collaborations

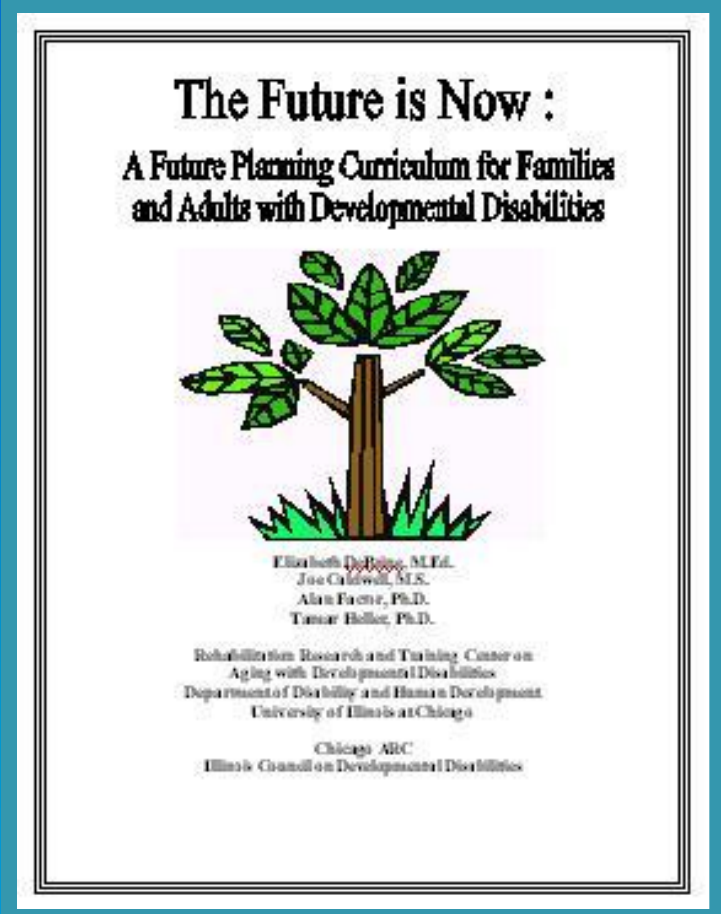
- Special Olympics Evaluation
 - Kenya, Mauritius, Belgium
 - Program Evaluation Report (Heller, Hsieh, & Badetti, 2012)



Person Centered Planning for Later Life/ The Future is Now* Curriculum

*(Factor et al., 3rd edition, 2010)

Netherlands, Belgium,
Germany, Israel, Switzerland



Future Opportunities

- International committees and conferences (AAIDD, AUCD, IASSID)
- Fulbright Scholarships
- Implementation of the UN Human Rights for People with Disabilities internationally
- Growth of Disability Studies



Who am I?

- Current LEND trainee at Cincinnati Children's Hospital
- Discipline: Psychology
- Specific interests: children with autism; ABA therapy
- International experience:
 - DRC, India, Nicaragua



UC/CCHMC Partnership



- Teseros de Dios/Bradley's House of Hope
 - Over 80 children with special needs and their families

- Medical and Developmental Assessments
- Brief Behavioral Interventions in classroom
- SLP interventions
- Program Development and Support





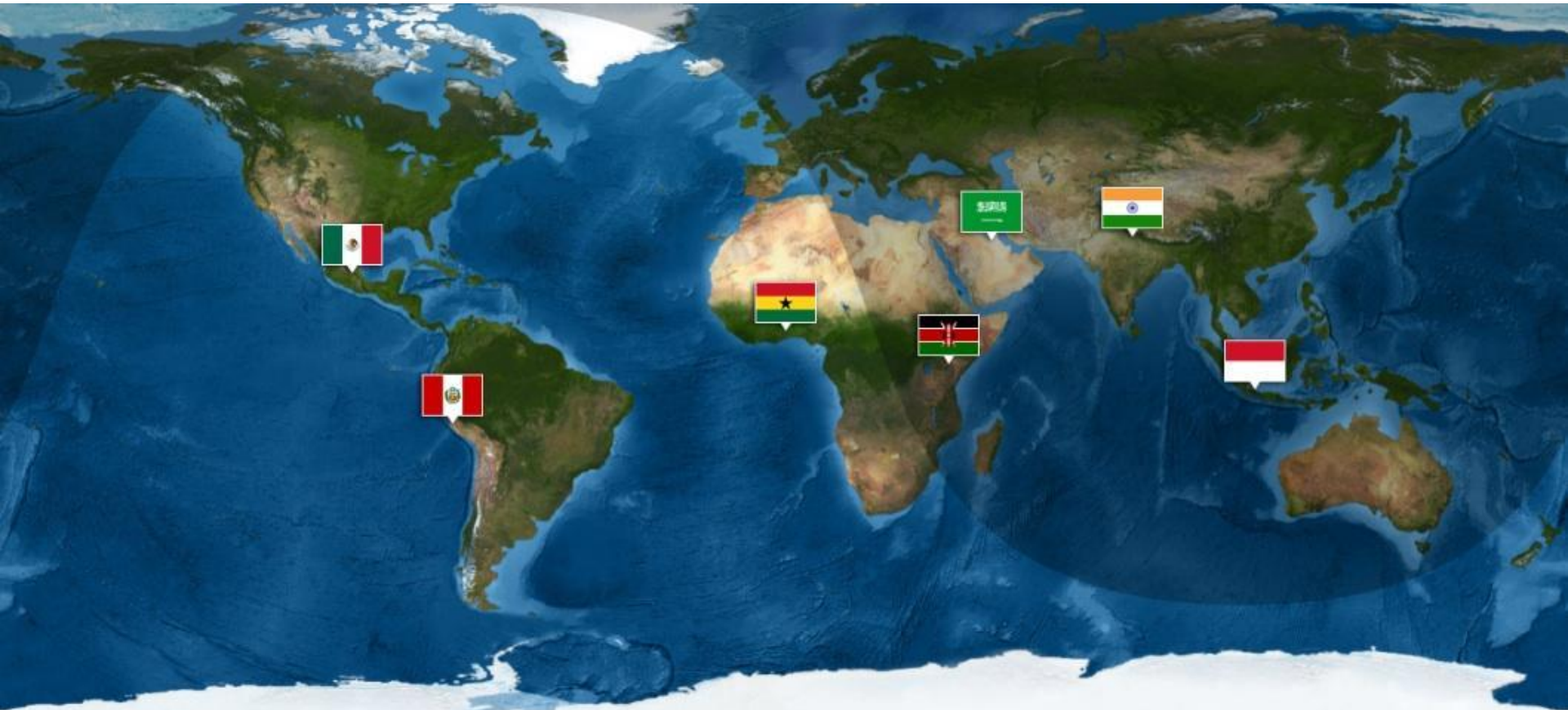
My experience

- Consultation Experience
- Working with Translators
- Visiting Schools/Orphanages
- Observing pediatricians



Global Autism Project

Creating sustainable partnerships with organizations all over the globe to serve children with autism



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 **Jakarta**
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My experience

- Providing ABA therapy to kids with autism in India
- Teacher training in India
- Brief behavioral interventions
- Parent Consultations



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SAUDI STUDENTS HOUSE IN PITTSBURGH

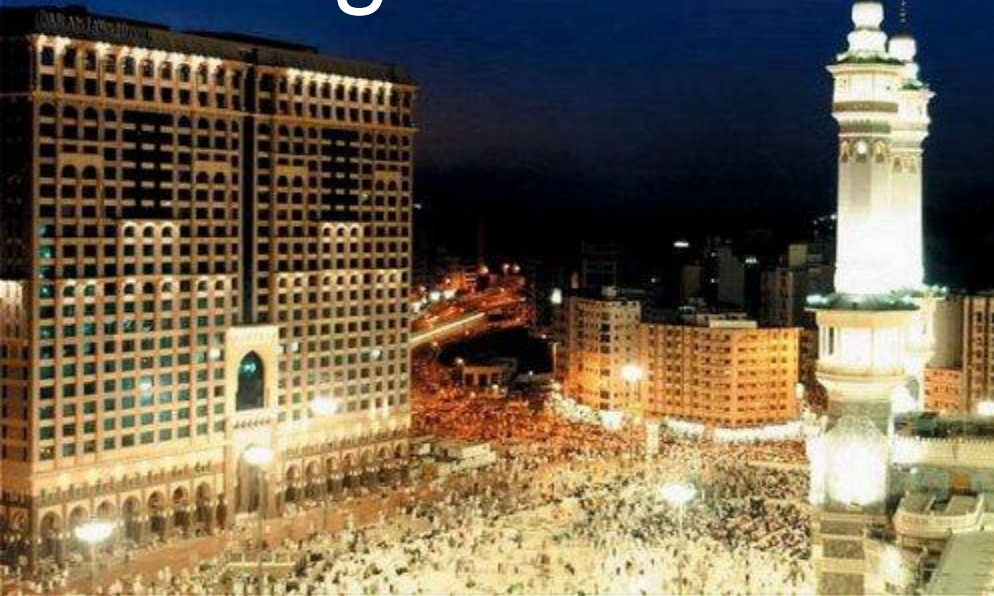
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Saudi Arabia-Location



Religious Tourism



Mekkah

Madina



Ramdan Month

3/7/2013

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IN PITTSBURGH

Religious Tourism



Hajj (Pilgrimage)



Saudi Arabia Facts

Population

26,417,599, includes
5,576,076 non-nationals
(July 2005 est.)

- Most Saudis are ethnically Arab descended from Turks, Iranians, Indonesians, Indians, Africans, and others)
- Mixed ethnic origin reside in the Hijaz region along the Red Sea coast.

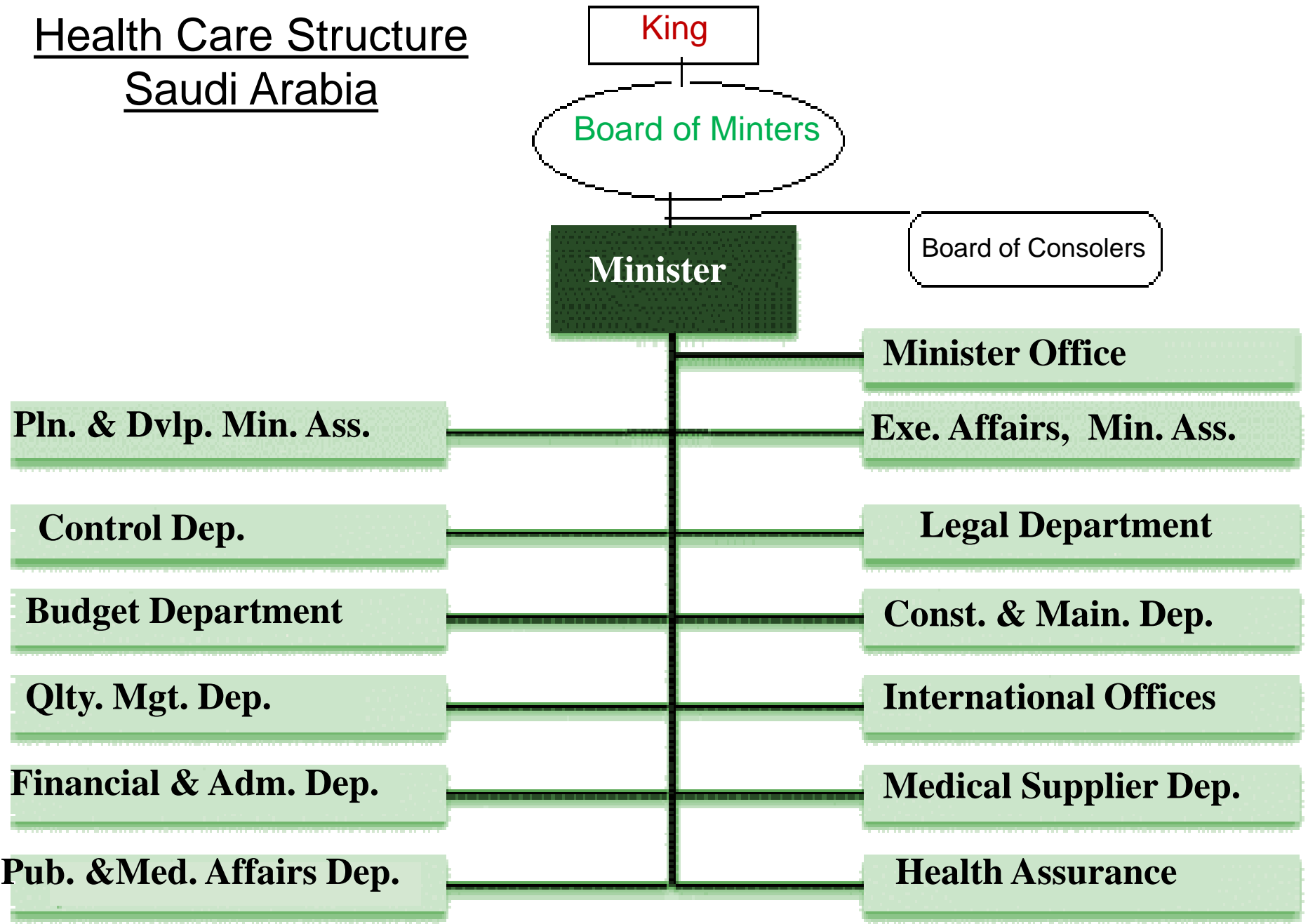


Saudi Arabia Facts

- largest country in the Middle East, is 95% desert.
- In 1937 (*near Riyadh*) large oil reserves were discovered.
- Capital City Riyadh (3.2 million)
- Currency Saudi Riyal (SAR)
- Government: Saudi Monarchy



Health Care Structure
Saudi Arabia



Comparison to US Healthcare

- US healthcare

- National Health Insurance
- 15% of GDP on healthcare
- Denial and underutilization
- Tertiary care base
- Increasing costs for healthcare

- Saudi System

- Beveridge & Out of Pocket model.
- 6.8% of total Gov't. budget on healthcare with 15% increase this year. 102 Hospital under construction.
- Long waiting lists in MOH hospitals. Quality issues.
- Full entitlement based on need.
- Shortage in health care providers

Disability Stats

- 8% of population has a disability.
- Disability prevail in men more than women.
- Hearing disability about 4.52%.
- Causes:
 - 7.34% Genetics.
 - 8.32% illness.
 - 8.8% birth injuries.
 - 9.4% Car accidents.

Government Sectors & Disability

- Ministry of Social Affairs (Disability Services)
 - Social Security Services
- Ministry of Education
 - Special Education Department.
 - Different programs for schools by disability.
- Ministry of Labor
 - Recruitment Program.
- Ministry of Higher Education
 - Lack of university accommodation



Research:

- New Natal tests June, 6th 2005.
- National disability research on children (database, geographical distribution, planning)
- Brail Language Software.
- Disability education
- Disability reasons (sickness)



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