



**Ministry of Public Health  
General Directorate of Health Service Provision  
Directorate of Preventive Medicine and PHC  
Community Based Health Care Department (CBHC)**

**National CHWs' day celebration report**

MoPH celebrated the first ever National CHW's day across the country on 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2009. The objective of the celebration was to recognize the role of CHWs in delivering health services in Afghanistan.

The Ministry of Public Health will celebrate this national day every year on 1<sup>st</sup> of Jawza.

The ceremony was inaugurated by the speech of Dr. Faizullah Kakar, Deputy Minister for Technical Affairs. He praised the efforts of CHWs in the delivery of health services at community level and also thanked CBHC Department for good arrangement of the celebration.

Next speaker was Dr. Nadera Hayat Burhani, Deputy Minister for Health care Provision. She mentioned that CHWs are the bridge between community and health facilities in Afghanistan.

The elements of Community Based Health Care are as follows.

- Community Health Supervisors
- Community Health Workers
- Shura-e-Sehi
- Family Health Action Group

Some achievements of CBHC:

- Established 10076 health posts
- Trained 20000 CHWs (50% female and 50% male)
- Trained and hired 900 CHSs
- Established of 13500 shura-e-sehi
- Conducted National CHWs' conference
- Nominated first of Jawza as CHWs' day
- Established of Family Health Action group

The MoPH is going to train 20000 more CHWs to cover whole Afghanistan.

Mr. Peter Graaf, World Health Organization (WHO) Representative for Afghanistan, Dr. Mohammad Faiz USAID representative, Dr. Parsanna from UNFPA, and Deputy Minister of Women Affairs were the other speakers of the gathering.

A documentary film on CHWs in the community was displayed to the participants.

The slogan for the CHWs' National Day In 2009 was:

- **Let's improve our Health Status by supporting CHWs.**

At the end Ministry of Public Health appreciated all donors and BPHS implementers for supporting national CHWs' day celebration and especially thanked (USAID/Tech-Serve and HSSP, WHO, UNFPA and AMI-Salamati for their direct support for the national CHWs' day celebration.





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Welcome to National CHWs' Day Celebration







