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FOREWORD

Operational research in MSF is about the “science of implementation”. It helps bridge a gap between knowledge that is generated and how we effectively apply this knowledge into practice in diverse contexts.

A scientific publication is an important indicator of a successfully completed research study. The associated peer-review process improves the quality as well as scientific credibility.

However, publications are not the endpoint for operational research in an implementing organisation such as MSF. They serve as a useful tool for advocacy to change and are the beginning of the process to change policy and practice and ultimately improve the care we provide to our beneficiaries.

I am delighted to present this collection of MSF-OCB associated publications for the year 2013.

MSF OCB published 101 manuscripts, covering 12 broad medical topics. A considerable proportion of these publications were generated through SORT IT (Structured operational Research Training Initiative), a capacity building partnership program aimed at implementers and which has been a key element in diversifying the operational research portfolio.

All publications in this booklet are available in the attached CD and are also available free and online, at the MSF scientific web site: http://fieldresearch.msf.org.

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