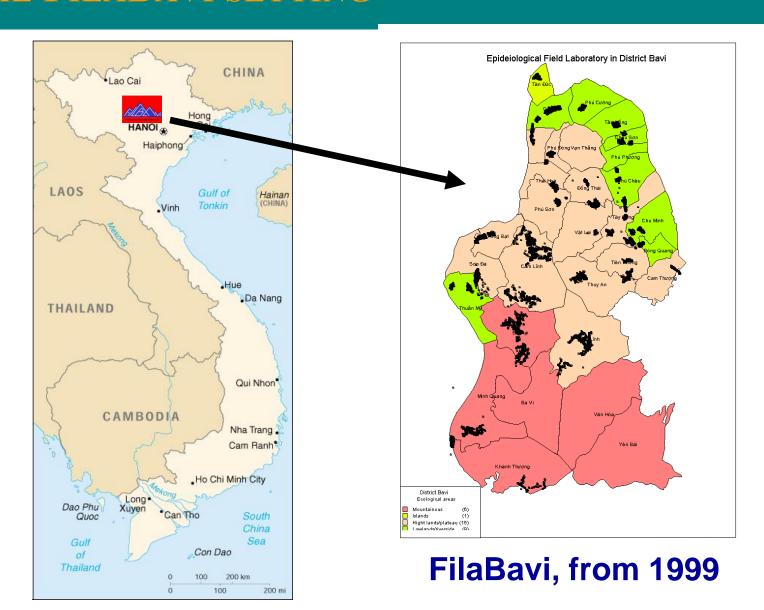
OVERVIEW OF HEALTH & DEMOGRAPHIC SURVEILLANCE SITES IN VIETNAM CAPACITY STRENGTHENING & TRAINING ACTIVITIES

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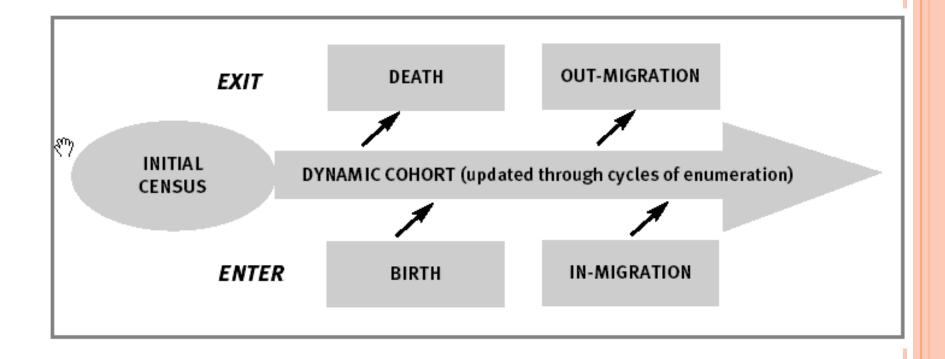
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THE FILABAVI SETTING



FILABAVI HDSS

- A longitudinal population based surveillance system
- An open cohort



DEFINING CHARACTERISTICS OF HDSS

- A geographically-defined population
- Under a continuous health & demographic monitoring
- With a timely production of data on births, deaths, migrations, ect...
- **■ Epidemiological transition on health & demographic**

GENERAL AIMS OF HDSS

- To generate basic health data for health planning and policy making
- To develop a platform for research and training on community health

SAMPLING

Bavi district (352 clusters)

Cluster Random Sampling (Stratified by geographical areas)

FilaBavi (71 clusters)

All households

14,500 households 56,000 persons

DATA COLLECTION

- Baseline survey + 7 re-census (repeated every 2 yrs)
- 56 quarterly follow up surveys

- => Database of 50,000 person-years
- **■** Specific studies
 - => 50 sub-studies

BASELINE INFORMATION

- Household level: Socio-economic status: housing status, income, expenditures, land ownership, assets; distance to health care facilities ...
- Individual level: Age, sex, marital status, ethnicity, religion, education, occupation, ...

FOLLOW UP EVENTS

- **■** Birth
- Death
- Pregnancy
- In/out-migration
- **■** Marital event
- Reported illness & health care practice

RESEARCH TOPICS

- **Epidemiology: communicable diseases/NCDs**
- Mortality/Verbal autopsy
- Health care utilisation and equity in health
- **Health Economics**
- Rational use of drugs/antibiotics
- **■** Reproductive health
- Adult health and aging

STRUCTURE OF HUMAN RESOURCES

Steering board

7 members



Scientific committee

8 members (2 Assoc Prof, 3 PhD, 3 MA)



Field office

Data manager (2); Field manager (1); Data entry clertk (3)

Field investigator (6); Field surveyor (40)

TRAINING ACTIVITIES

- **■** Training for field workers at Filabavi
- Training on data collection on baseline survey and follow-up.
- Re-training on data collection on every re-census
- Training on data collection for specific studies
- Training on data entry

TRAINING ACTIVITIES

- **■**Capacity strengthening for staffs of Filabavi
- Sent staffs to training workshop organized by Hanoi Medical University (epidemiology, good, family health promotion, clinical practice, ethical in research, etc); INDEPTH network (i-share, etc); collaborative institutions (grant writing, project management, etc)
- Sent staffs for further study(PhD, Master)

TRAINING ACTIVITIES

- **■**Capacity building in general
- Filabavi serves as a setting for epidemiological training for students (undergraduate and graduate), PhD candidate, doctors and health workers, etc
- Dissertation (up to 2012): 23 PhDs, 27 Masters, 12 Bachelors
- About 150 articles published on international journals and about 70 articles published on Vietnamese journals

TRAINING POLICY

- **■** Long term commitment
- Provide all-sided capacity building

FUNDING

- SIDA/SAREC (Health System Research Project PhD, Master
- **■INDEPTH** network short training, Master)
- EC (African/Asian Regional Capacity development Project) short training

CHALLENGES

- **■** Short-term funding
- Not clear career development plan
- **■** Continuous training for junior staffs
- Huge dataset has not been used

FUTURE PLAN

- Maintain the normal activities of Filabavi => need support in grant writing training
- Increase high-trained staffs (Master & PhD level)
- Produce scientific articles/reports to raise the voice to policy makers => need support in scientific research (data analysis, statistics, research method, ect)

THANK YOU