



Supportive Environments for Healthy Communities

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The **WASHplus Project** is pleased to announce that it will begin launching some new information products and resources in the coming weeks.

Several weeks ago we sent out a survey to get input for planning WASHplus communication and knowledge sharing. Thank you to everyone who took the time to participate in the survey. We received more than 80 responses. The feedback provided was thoughtful and substantive and will be very helpful for WASHplus planning now and in the future. For those of you who are interested, you can see a summary of the survey results at: http://www.washplus.org/survey_responses-march2011.pdf

Our goal is to send out weekly updates, as suggested in the survey results. Future issues of ***WASHplus Updates*** will focus on different topics on a rotating basis, and will cover topics such as sanitation, household water treatment and storage, indoor air quality, hand washing, innovation, WASH integration with other sectors, and more. Soon you will have the option to subscribe to all or some of these.

A number of you have asked, "Whatever happened to the Environmental Health at USAID updates and Dan Campbell?" We're happy to say that Dan is with the WASHplus Project and he will reprise his earlier role and send out weekly updates that many grew to rely on. He will also keep our project website up to date. Feel free to contact Dan at dacampbell@aed.org if you have any resources from your organization that you would like to share and feature in future updates.

We welcome your feedback at any time to let us know how we can improve WASHplus communication and resources to help meet your WASH and IAQ information needs.

Our website, www.washplus.org, is under construction, but in the meantime, you can follow current news and other updates related to sanitation, indoor air quality, and urban health on these three WASHplus new feeds/blogs:

- **Sanitation Updates** <http://sanitationupdates.wordpress.com/> (maintained by the WASHplus in partnership with the IRC International Water and Sanitation Centre)

- **Indoor Air Quality Updates** <http://iapnews.wordpress.com/>
- **Urban Health Updates** <http://urbanhealthupdates.wordpress.com/>



About WASHplus - WASHplus, a five-year project funded through USAID's Bureau for Global Health, creates supportive environments for healthy households and communities by delivering high-impact interventions in water, sanitation, hygiene (WASH) as well as indoor air quality (IAQ). WASHplus uses proven, at-scale interventions to reduce diarrheal diseases and acute respiratory infections, the two top killers of children under five years of age globally. For information, visit the www.washplus.org or contact: washplus@aed.org.

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