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## **Annie George Named Group Director, Health and Development for ICRW's Asia Regional Office**

NEW DELHI, India, June 27 – Annie George will join ICRW's Asia Regional Office as group director for health and development on July 14. As director, George will serve as the technical lead for ICRW's research portfolio on HIV and AIDS, gender-based violence, and maternal health and nutrition. She also will help design and implement a global program strategy to expand ICRW's health and development agenda worldwide.

George brings more than 12 years of experience in international development to her new position. Before joining ICRW, George served as the India study director on Project Parivartan, a three-year project supported by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation that worked with sex workers in six Indian states. George also worked at the World Health Organization where she served as a consultant for various units including the Unit for Reproductive Health Technical Support; the Unit for Social and Behavioral Studies and Support, Global Programme on AIDS; and the Unit on Women, Health and Development in the South Asia Regional Office.

"With Annie's extensive experience and capabilities, ICRW's continued growth in health and development programs and research will be better poised to make an impact in the region," says Asia Regional Office director Ravi Verma.

George holds a Ph.D. in sociology from the University of California, San Francisco; an Masters of Public Health from University of California, Berkeley; and a master's in social work from the Tata Institute of Social Sciences in Mumbai, India.

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