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Training

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Grid of Essential Texts - last updated September 2007

Essential Texts	Essential Texts	Essential Texts	Essential Texts
Programme manager?	Essential Texts	Essential Texts	Essential Texts
Medical Specialist	Essential Texts	Essential Texts	Essential Texts
General medical doctor	Essential Texts	Essential Texts	Essential Texts
Nurse or paramedic	Essential Texts	Essential Texts	Essential Texts
Primary health care worker/volunteer	Essential Texts	Essential Texts	Essential Texts
Laboratory technician	Essential Texts	Essential Texts	Essential Texts
Physical rehabilitation worker	Essential Texts	Essential Texts	Essential Texts
Social rehabilitation worker	Essential Texts	Essential Texts	Essential Texts
Shoe maker	Essential Texts	Essential Texts	Essential Texts
Non-medical programme collaborator	Essential Texts	Essential Texts	Essential Texts
General public	Essential Texts	Essential Texts	Essential Texts

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Essential texts 1. Eleven target groups

- Programme manager
- Medical Specialist
- General medical doctor
- Nurse or paramedic
- Primary health care worker/volunteer
- Laboratory technician
- Physical rehabilitation worker
- Social rehabilitation worker
- Shoe maker
- Non-medical programme collaborator
- General public

Essential texts 2. Four areas of knowledge

- Clinical/technical – basic
 - Clinical/technical – advanced
 - POD
 - Social aspects
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- 44 spaces (several are not required)
 - 20 books/guides and 10 textbook chapters
 - Of 32 active boxes, 3 are currently blank

Essential texts

3. Three gaps

- Basic clinical guide for the primary health-care worker or volunteer
 - Guide to Eliminate Leprosy (WHO)
- Basic clinical guide for the general public
 - Health education/advocacy/publicity material
- POD guide for the general public
 - 'I can do it myself' by Hugh Cross (WHO)

Essential texts

Proposals for the next four years

- No new books
- Learning Guides and other ILEP publications can be updated, as necessary
- Update the List of Essential Texts, especially with more general publications which include sections on leprosy

Training activities

- Courses for national programme managers on implementing the Global Strategy (2006-10)
- In-country orientation for field staff
- Physicians and other staff at referral level:
 - Local workshops and seminars
 - Dermatology and other professional societies
 - International courses (ALERT)
 - Postgraduate training
- Clinicians with research interest and capability

Challenges for the ITC

- Keep the list of Essential Texts up-to-date
- Advise on appropriate training strategies:
 - For national program managers
 - For dermatologists and other specialists
 - For physicians and nurses at referral centers
 - For health workers in peripheral units