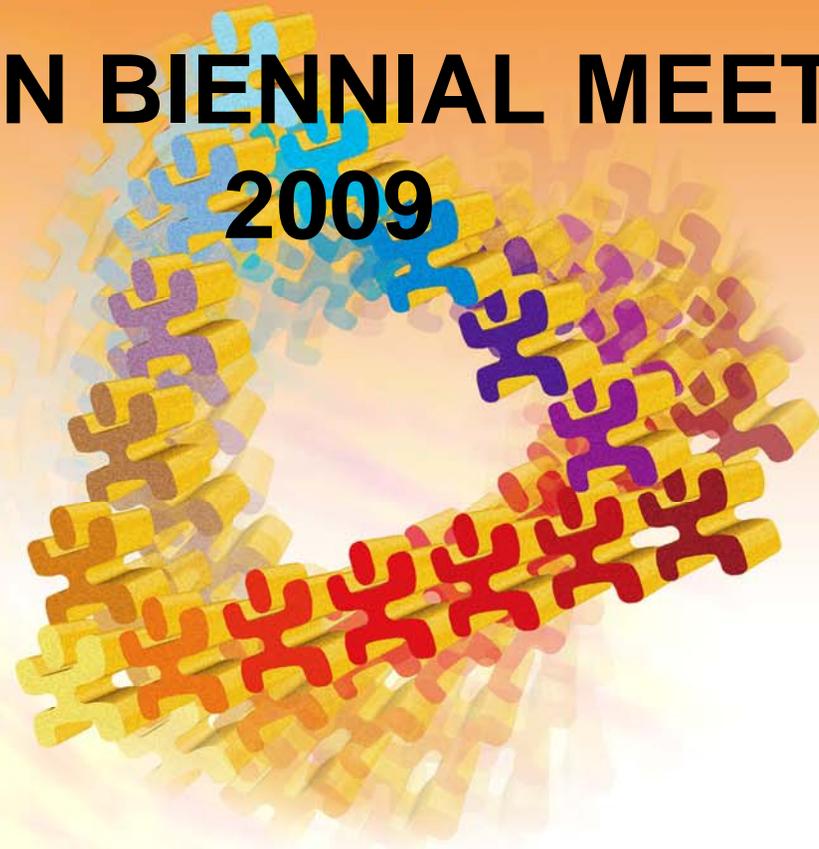




"...because the risk factors of today are the diseases of tomorrow."

CARMEN BIENNIAL MEETING

2009



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*Regional Office of the
World Health Organization*

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Collaborative Action for Risk Factor Prevention & Effective Management of Non-communicable Diseases



CARMEN Initiative

- **A network** of countries and partner organizations working together to reduce the burden of chronic diseases, their risk factors, and determinants
- **Objective:** To promote comprehensive NCD prevention & control policies and programs at national and sub-regional levels, to support achieving the *Regional Strategy on Chronic Disease Prevention and Control, including z.*
- Four lines of action:
 - Health policy and advocacy
 - Health promotion
 - Surveillance
 - Integrated management of chronic diseases and risk factors

o CARMEN Network of countries.... and Partners Forum



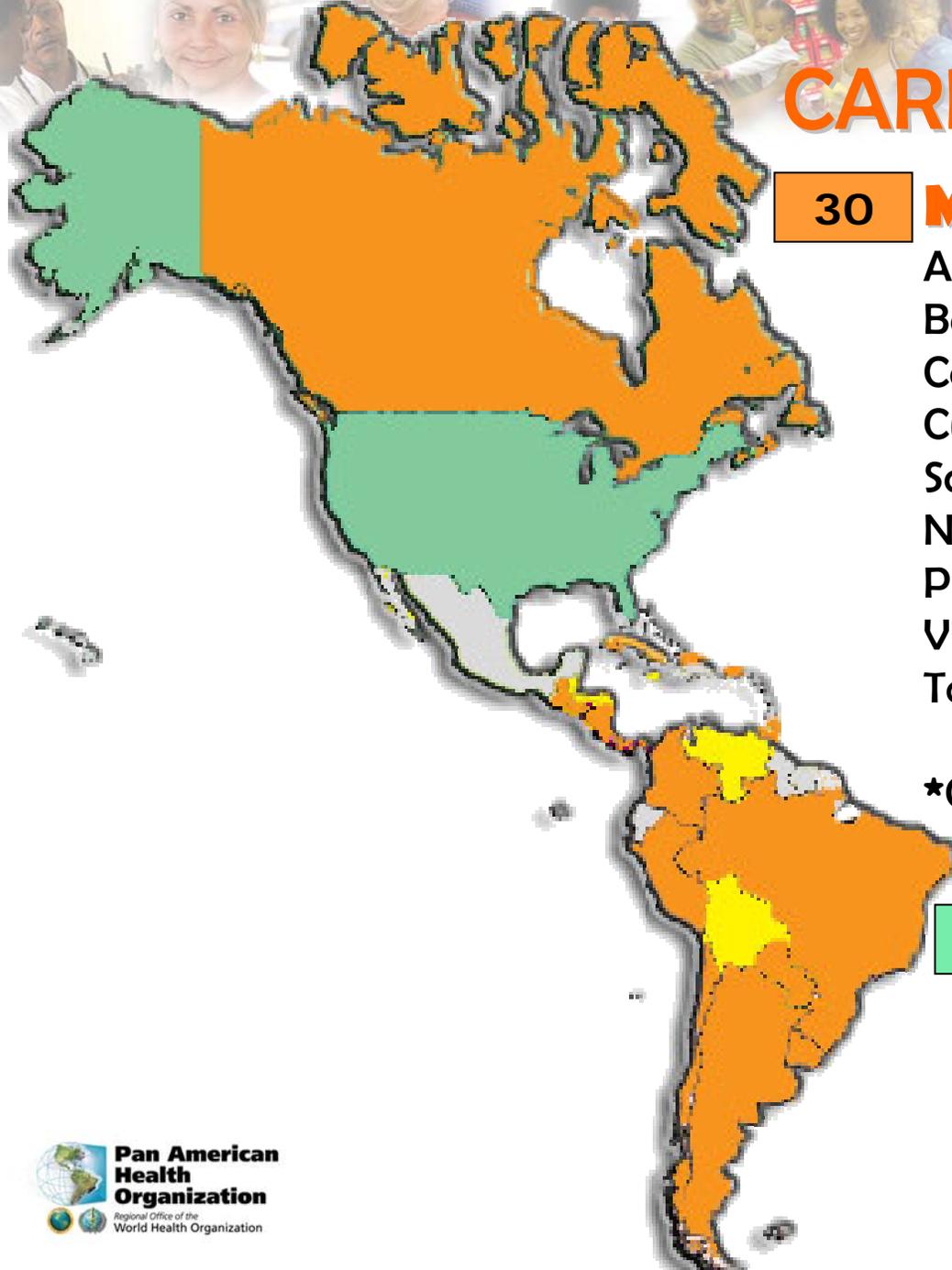
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Members

Argentina, Anguilla, Aruba, **Bahamas***, Barbados, Bolivia, Brazil, BVI, **Canada***, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Curacao, Chile, Dominica, **Ecuador***, El Salvador, **Guatemala***, Grenada, Guyana, Nicaragua, **Panama***, **Paraguay***, Peru, Puerto Rico, St Kitts & Nevis, St Lucia, St Vincent and the Grenadines, Trinidad & Tobago, Uruguay

*CARMEN management committee members



Collaborating members

InterAmerican Heart Foundation
NHLBI, CDC, PHAC, AMNET, RAFA

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE IN THE CARMEN NETWORK?

For Country Ministry of Health:

- declare chronic disease priority public health issue
- create national chronic disease program, with plan, budget, manager
- designate focal point for CARMEN network and maintain communication with the CARMEN network and secretariat (PAHO).
- conduct a situation analysis in the country and provide information to the CARMEN network and secretariat.

For Collaborating Organizations:

- appoint a focal point to maintain communication with the CARMEN Network and Secretariat.
- provide technical cooperation to the CARMEN Network.
- provide update of activities to the Network and Secretariat.



PAHO's role in CARMEN Network

Secretariat for CARMEN network, serving managerial and technical role

James Hospedales	Coordinator
Silvana Luciani	CARMEN Network, cancer
Alberto Barcelo	Disease management, diabetes
Enrique Jacoby	Diet and physical activity
Branka Legetic	Surveillance, CVD, Escuela CARMEN
Enrique Perez Flores	Surveillance, disease management
Pedro Ordunez	Health services for CVD management
Silvia Scopelliti	Partners Forum manager



CARMEN Biennial Meeting 2009

- **Purpose:** take stock and review progress with implementation of the Regional Strategy for Chronic Diseases
- **Expected Results:**
 - defined projects, activities and products for the CARMEN Network for 2010-2011
 - deeper commitments towards implementing the Regional Strategy for Chronic Diseases



CARMEN Meeting Structure

Monday:

Review status of implementation of Regional Strategy
Health promotion, including diet and physical activity

Tuesday: Disease Management
 Surveillance

Wednesday: Policy & Advocacy
 Field visits

Thursday: Working groups to define joint activities
 Partners Forum initiative