

Hon. Blessing Chebundo, Chairperson, SEAPACOH  
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It came in the most succinct way when representatives of six parliamentary portfolio committees from the southern and east African countries and CSOs, professional bodies and health equity based institutions held a workshop on 'Parliamentary Alliances for Equity in Health' in South Africa in August 2003. The meeting was the first of its kind for the two regions and was organized and facilitated by the Regional Network on Equity in Health in east and southern Africa [EQUINET] and Global Equity Gauge Alliances [GEGA] and with SADC PF and other regional networks such as IDASA, SAFAIDS and others. The workshop provided an excellent opportunity for the parliamentarians to understand diverse health issues and related policy matters. The ambience generated by this workshop was good

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SEAPACOH member  
Mozambique, Tanzania

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