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COMING UP NEXT MONTH:

Our last training workshop for 2023 will be held in the first week of December when Technical Lead, Shan Huang visits Kokopo again. She will conduct a revision workshop, highlighting ways to improve service delivery using the tools provided by the project such as the growth charts, height measurement devices and educational toys.

Shan will also take part in the December CNAG (Community Nutrition Advocacy Group) meeting and meet these members in person to thank them for their efforts this year.

GROW PROJECT UPDATE

For the Community Engagement this month at Rieit Ward, Sinivit LLG in Pomio District. Onawuta Kesuwao (GROW Project Officer) has been very busy in planning and organizing the first Parent Group Session at Rieit Ward. The parent group session will be held in zone I first before moving to other zones, this will be the first out of 3 parent group sessions that is planned for zone I. We have already secured a venue (Rieit United Church) that will be used to carry out this event that was planned for November. However, due to security reasons at Warangoi and also because schools in Rieit ward are winding down their academic year and hosting several graduation ceremonies in the week initially proposed to hold this event. The parent group session is likely to be moved to early next year.

The November Nutrition Advocacy Working Group meeting was held with Moses Bogandri announcing his departure from his service at the Provincial Health Authority and introducing his successor Ashwin Lau. We take this opportunity to sincerely thank Moses for his valuable contributions to not only the GROW project but to Burnet's work in East New Britain over many years. We welcome Ashwin in this new role and look forward to another rewarding partnership.

Project Lead Lisa Davidson visited the GROW team in Kokopo to assist with planning for 2024. Stay tuned for exciting things to come next year!

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