

HIV/TB Collaborative Activities – Implement, Integrate and Scale Up to Prevent TB Deaths in People Living with HIV!

Skills Building Workshop for Managers of National HIV and TB Programmes

Tuesday 24 July 2012, 14:30 – 18:00

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Location: Mini Room 7

Despite being preventable and curable, tuberculosis (TB) accounted for a quarter of HIV deaths in 2010. In 2004 WHO released its *Interim Policy on collaborative TB/HIV* activities, providing guidance on addressing the joint disease burden. By the end of 2010 the policy had been adopted by more than 170 countries and its implementation saved nearly a million lives. However, progress in implementation and scale-up of the different policy components varies considerably. This interactive workshop aims to accelerate the global scale-up of collaborative activities to address HIV-associated TB through exchange of experience and best practice between different regions and countries. National HIV and TB Programme Managers will discuss the latest evidence, bottlenecks to implementation and share experience in scale-up, focusing on improved diagnosis, the 'Three I's for HIV/TB' and early initiation of antiretroviral therapy. It will conclude with an open discussion and debate around the challenges in implementation and measures needed for national scale-up.

Agenda

PART 1 Introduction		
14:30	Objectives and directions	Haileyesus Getahun, Switzerland
Part 2: Thematic presentations focusing on overcoming barriers/bottlenecks and		
key factors for success		
Moderators: Amy Bloom, United States and Joseph Sitienei, Kenya		
14:35	Implementing what's new in the TB/HIV policy: practical innovations from Rwanda	M Gasana, Rwanda
14:50	Nationwide scale-up of collaborative TB/HIV activities and Xpert: Secrets to South Africa's success	D Mametja, South Africa
15:05	The Three I's for HIV/TB and rolling out IPT beyond pilot	BB Rewari, India
15:20	Nationwide scale-up of collaborative TB/HIV activities in China: challenges and opportunities	X Gang, People's Republic of China
15:35	Questions and discussion about presentations	
15:40	Break	
Moderators: Bess Miller, United States and David Mametja, South Africa		
15:55	Integration of collaborative TB/HIV activities with harm reduction services	M Zelenskaya, Ukraine
16:10	HIV testing and expansion of ART for TB patients: Bottlenecks, challenges and enablers for scale-up in Guyana	J. Mohanlall, Guyana
16:25	HIV testing and expansion of ART for TB patients: Bottlenecks, challenges and enablers for scale-up in Kenya	J Sitienei, Kenya
16:40	Questions and discussion about presentations	
Part 3: Open discussion, debate and conclusion		
Moderators: Haileyesus Getahun, Switzerland and Mean Chhi Vun, Cambodia		
16:45	Rapporteur summary	Delphine Sculier
17:00	Verbal commentary: Civil society perspective	Blessina Kumar
17:10	Open discussion and debate	
17:55	Wrap-up	Haileyesus Getahun
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