

Status of retooling task force's workplan for the year 2008 15-16 January 2008

AGENDA

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- 1) RTF response to the action items proposed by the TB community during the Cape Town session on retooling.
- 2) Consensus on the retooling priorities for new drugs, diagnostics and vaccines during the next 6 months; RTF responsibilities defined.
- 3) Work plan for retooling of new diagnostics.

Tuesday 15 January (Chair: Vinand Nantulya)

- 8h30 Welcome coffee
- 9h00 Welcome (Marcos Espinal, Executive Secretary, Stop TB Partnership)
- 9h10 Discussion of agenda (Christy, Vinand)
- 9h15 Review of the recommendations from Cape Town and decisions on next steps (Christy)
- a) Consensus on definitions for adoption, introduction and implementation (David Lee)
 - b) Discussion of the role of business sector in retooling (Jean-François)
- 10h20 Coffee break
- 10h40 Continued discussion
- 11h15 Vaccine focus: discussion of retooling priorities for next 6 months (Jenifer)
including proposed response to recommendations 2, 5, 7 and 8
- 12h00 Lunch break
- 14h00 Drugs focus: discussion of retooling priorities for next 6 months (Barbara)
including proposed response to recommendations 2, 5, 7 and 8
- 14h45 Stakeholder engagement plan: discussion of next steps for field test and dissemination (David Lee)
- 15h20 Coffee break
- 15h40 Diagnostic checklist: discussion on dissemination (Andy)
- 16h10 Other priorities to be addressed by RTF: brainstorming
- 17h00 Close

Wednesday 16 January (Chair: Christy Hanson)

Session 1: Open session

- 8h30 Welcome coffee
- 9h00 Opening
- 9h15 Summary of the work plan of the New Diagnostics Working Group (Andy)
- 9h30 Role of WHO in promoting policy change and retooling - Lesotho case study (Mario)
- 10h00 FIND: Progress and retooling needs as perceived by developers (Giorgio)
- 10h20 Coffee break
- 10h40 Discussion of diagnostics-related retooling needs as perceived by the countries (Saidi Egwaga)
- 11h00 MSF: Considerations for retooling other diagnostic technologies (Francis)
- 11h20 Summary of diagnostics-related retooling needs as perceived by DEWG, TB/HIV WG, MDR-TB working group and lab sub-group (panel: Leopold, Haileysus, Karin)
- 12h00 Continuum from development to implementation, proposed roles for partners and the RTF (Andy)
- 12h30 Lunch

Session 2: RTF internal work planning

- 14h00 Discussion of membership/involvement for diagnostics focused work
 - a) Should developers be engaged (when, how?)?
 - b) Commitment of small group to work on retooling for diagnostics.
 - c) Consensus on role of wider RTF and external partners.
- 14h30 Priorities for action: discussion, work planning
(note: Proposal by Andy to serve as starting point for discussion)
- 15h30 Coffee break
- 15h45 Continued work planning
- 17h00 Presentation of priorities to Marcos/Mario