



Scaling-up the implementation of collaborative TB/HIV activities in the Region of the Americas

7 - 8 July 2011, Panama City, Panama

General Objective:

To share regional and global experiences and best practices for greater political advocacy, resource mobilization and scale-up in the implementation of collaborative TB/HIV activities and integration of TB and HIV services in the Region of the Americas.

Specific objectives:

1. To share regional and global experience, best practices and lessons learnt to scale-up collaborative TB/HIV activities, integration of TB and HIV services and the multisectoral approach to TB/HIV in the Region of the Americas, strengthening partners' involvement.
2. To discuss key measures that will scale-up the implementation of collaborative TB/HIV activities in countries of the Americas with emphasis on improved TB and HIV diagnosis, the Three I's for HIV/TB, specific clinical aspects, and TB/HIV in special populations.
3. To share examples of civil society engagement in the implementation of collaborative TB/HIV activities and to discuss key actions to strengthen partnership between national TB and AIDS programmes and civil society.

Tentative Agenda

Thursday 7 July, 2011

08:00 - 08:15	Registration	
08:15 - 08:45	Opening Remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Joaquín Molina - PAHO/WHO Representative in Panama ▪ Cesar Núñez - UNAIDS RST Latin America ▪ Ezio Santos-Filho - Civil Society representative ▪ Haileyesus Getahun - TB/HIV Working Group ▪ Marcos Espinal - Manager of Health Surveillance and Disease and Prevention and Control, PAHO Washington ▪ Frankin Vergara - Panama's Health Minister 	
08:45 - 09:00	Objectives, administrative issues and presentation of participants	Rafael López
<i>Session 1: TB/HIV Context</i> <i>Chair: Massimo Ghidinelli Rapporteur: Támara Mancero</i>		
09:00 - 09:15	Global TB/HIV situation	Haileyesus Getahun

09:15 - 09:30	TB/HIV situation in the Americas	Mirtha del Granado
09:30 - 09:45	Report on previous day meetings: - VII Regional Meeting on TB/HIV Collaborative Activities - Civil society capacity building workshop	Omar Sued Ezio Santos-Filho
09:45 - 10:00	HIV testing - challenges and opportunities in Latin America and the Caribbean	Rolando Cedillos
10:00 - 10:15	ART in TB patients – State of the art	Néstor Sosa
10:15 - 10:30	Discussion	All
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break	
11:00 - 11:25	Experience gained so far with the implementation of Xpert MTB/RIF for rapid diagnosis of HIV associated TB and MDR-TB <i>Including verbal commentary from civil society (5 min)</i>	Pamela Nabeta Ezio Santos-Filho
11:25 - 11:40	MDR-TB in people living with HIV	Domingo Palmero
11:40 - 12:00	Discussion	All
<i>Session 2: Reducing the burden of TB among people living with HIV: the Three I's for HIV/TB</i> <i>Chair: Mónica Thormann Rapporteur: Marcelo Vila</i>		
12:00 - 12:15	Overview of the new WHO guidelines on ICF/IPT for people living with HIV and operational considerations	Haileyesus Getahun
12:15 - 12:45	Experiences of scaling-up IPT: - Cambodia - Brazil	Mean Chi Vun Denise Arakaki Eveline Vale
12:45 - 13:00	Discussion	All
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 - 14:20	Infection Control policy	Rafael López
14:20 - 14:40	Implementing effective Infection control measures in health care facilities and prisons	Martin Yagui
14:40 - 15:00	WHO-ILO-UNAIDS policy guidelines on TB and HIV and health workers	Ana Catalina Ramírez
15:00 - 15:15	Discussion on Infection Control in TB/HIV settings	All
15:15 - 15:45	Coffee break	
<i>Session 3: Sharing experiences among countries, partners and civil society</i> <i>Chair: Edith Alarcón Rapporteur: Mario Gudiel</i>		
15:45-16:00	Introduction to market place	Maybel Hernández Consuelo Alonzo

16:00-17:00	Marketplace: Countries, partners and civil society presenting progress and challenges in scaling-up of TB/HIV activities	All
17:00-17:30	Discussion	All

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<p><i>Session 4: TB/HIV in special populations</i> <i>Chair: Natalia Machuca Rapporteur: Victor Mejía</i></p>		
08:30 - 08:50	Childhood TB: prevention, diagnosis and treatment of TB in HIV infected children	Celia Christie-Samuels
08:50 - 09:10	Collaborative TB/HIV services for prisoners and people who use drugs	José Vila del Castillo
09:10 - 09:40	Experiences in addressing TB/HIV in prisons: - Honduras - Perú	Leonel Avila José Best
09:40 - 10:00	HIV and TB among people who use drugs: experience from Vancouver	Rolando Barrios
10:00 - 10:30	Discussion on special populations	All
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break	
11:00 - 12:00	Panel: Community support for TB/HIV management in special and difficult to reach populations	Violeta Ross and Civil Society representatives
<p><i>Session 5: Identifying key actions to scale-up TB/HIV collaboration</i> <i>Chair: Rolando Cedillos Rapporteur: Mónica Guardo</i></p>		
12:00 - 12:15	Introduction to group work	Omar Sued
12:15 - 13:00	Group work	All
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 - 15:00	Group work continue	All
15:00 - 15:30	Feedback from group work	Groups' rapporteurs
15:30 - 16:00	Coffee break	
16:00 - 16:45	Discussion for consensus on declaration of the meeting	All
16:45 - 17:00	Closing and next steps	Haileyesus Getahun Massimo Ghidinelli Mirtha del Granado