



# PUBLIC-PRIVATE MIX (PPM) WORKING GROUP MINI-MEET

20 May 2021

13:00H to 15:00H CET

## BACKGROUND

A special Mini-Meet of the Working Group on Public-Private Mix for TB Prevention and Care (PPM Working Group) will be held virtually on 20 May 2021 from 13:00H-15:30H. The Mini-Meet will be held in an interactive format.

Engaging with all health providers through public private mix (PPM) approaches is essential to reach the approximately 3 million people with TB who miss out on access to quality care each year, due to either underreporting or underdiagnosis. These gaps are more pronounced in high TB burden countries where the private sector dominates the provision of health care or where a large proportion of health care providers in the public sector are not linked with national TB programmes. In March 2021, WHO reported that COVID-19 related disruptions have severely impacted over 84 countries including the PPM priority countries with 1.4 million fewer people estimated to have received TB care in 2020 than in 2019 - a reduction of 21% from 2019. Closing these gaps will require the systematic engagement of all care providers in efforts to end TB.

The PPM Working Group Mini-Meet will:

- Review and discuss the updated landscape analysis on private sector engagement in TB prevention and care efforts across seven PPM priority countries. The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on PPM progress will also be highlighted.
- Share findings from a rapid assessment of 15 intermediary agencies undertaken by the TB-PPM Learning Network on how COVID-19 has affected their efforts and steps taken to mitigate its impact on their programs and on private providers operating under their PPM schemes.
- Identify key solutions to accelerate PPM efforts and get progress back-on-track in countries to reach the missing millions.

### About the PPM Working Group:

*Under the umbrella of the global Working Group on Public-Private Mix (PPM) for TB Care and Prevention of the Stop TB Partnership - that is hosted by the World Health Organization (WHO), countries have been provided support to enhance collaboration between NTPs and diverse public, voluntary, corporate and private health care providers for TB care in different settings. The PPM Working Group members include national TB programme managers, policy makers, representatives from the private sector, academia, field experts, international technical partners and development agencies.*

## Provisional Agenda

<b>20 May 2021</b>		
<i>Session I: Opening</i>		
13:00 – 13:15	Welcome remarks	<b>T. Kasaeva</b> , WHO Director <b>M. Pai</b> , Chair of the PPM Working Group <b>W. Wells</b> , USAID, Vice Chair of the PPM Working Group <b>S.S Lal</b> , Vice Chair of the PPM Working Group
13:15 – 13:20	TB survivor/ Civil society	<b>Paran Sarimita Winarni</b> , WHO Civil Society Taskforce on TB
<b>VIRTUAL PPM WORKING GROUP SNAPSHOT</b> (5 minutes) – Icebreaker Activity - Yi Wang		
<b>Session II: Exploring the landscape on private sector engagement</b> <b>Chair: HM. Dias, WHO/HQ</b> <i>Seven of the highest Tuberculosis (TB)-burden countries (Bangladesh, India, Indonesia, Myanmar, Nigeria, Pakistan, and the Philippines), also known as the “Big Seven” priority countries for Public Private Mix (PPM), account for 60% of the global missing cases . This session will overview the landscape of private sector engagement on four PPM priority countries and the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.</i>		
13:30 – 13:40	Overview of the updated landscape analysis on private sector engagement	<b>G. Stallworthy</b>
13:40 – 14:30	<b>Country Landscape Roundtable</b> Private sector landscape: Trends in engagement and the impact of COVID-19  <b>SPECIAL SPOTLIGHT:</b> Transforming the PPM landscape through the Global Fund Catalytic fund/Strategic Initiative and CR19RM to reach the missing millions  Scaling up innovative approaches through TBREACH to engage the private sector  <b>Interactive Q&amp;A through online platform</b>	<b>C. Garfin</b> , NTP Manager, Philippines <b>I.Pambudi</b> , NTP Manager, Indonesia <b>R. Rao</b> , NTP, India <b>C. Anyaike</b> , NTP manager Nigeria  <b>M.Yassin</b> , Global Fund  <b>J.Creswell</b> , Stop TB Partnership

## Session III: PPM COVID19 Assessment: How has COVID-19 impacted the PPM work?

**Chair: W.Wells, USAID**

COVID-19 is predicted to set back the progress in ending TB by over a decade. In a rapid assessment, representatives of 15 intermediary agencies from seven countries that are considered the highest priority for Public-Private-Mix (PPM) in TB care (the Big Seven) shared the impact of COVID-19 and efforts taken to mitigate the impact on their programs and on private providers operating under their PPM scheme. This round table discusses key findings with speakers sharing their experience during pandemic, their adaptations and the opportunities for PPM beyond COVID-19.

14:30 – 15:10	<p><b>Introduction to the COVID-19 PPM Assessment</b></p> <p><b>Intermediary Agency Roundtable</b> Special assessment of 15 intermediary agencies from seven PPM priority countries</p>	<p><b>P. Heitkamp/ J. Kinton, TB PPM Learning Network</b></p> <p>- <b>T. Ali</b>, IHVN, Nigeria - <b>S. Ahmed</b>, icddr,b, Bangladesh - <b>R. Ananthakrishnan</b>, REACH, India - <b>A. Rashid</b>, Pakistan</p>
15:10 – 15:15	<b>LAUNCH: PPM COVID-19 and TB Assessment Brief</b>	A. Stukalova
15:15 – 15:25	<b>Rapid fire feedback: Quick wins and solutions to get back on track in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic</b>	<b>S.S. Lal</b> , PPM Working Group Vice Chair
15:25 – 15:30	<b>Closing and thanks</b>	<b>M. Pai and HM. Dias</b>