



World TB Day Event

Friday March 23, 2007
9:30 am – 12 pm, 2nd Floor, Room A
Pan American Health Organization
525 23rd Street, NW
Washington, D.C.

In honor of World TB Day, the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), the Global Health Council (GHC) and the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) invite you to join us for a panel discussion to launch the World Health Organization's *2007 Report on Global Tuberculosis Control*. The report will highlight progress made toward the WHO and STOP TB targets of 70% case detection and 85% cure rates. Although TB is a preventable and curable disease, it remains a global emergency.

Following a discussion on the report, a noted documentary that was premiered at SILVERDOCS—the American Film Institute and Discovery Channel Documentary Film Festival—will be shown *'The Voyage of the Women of Zartale'*

Set against the striking vistas of Afghanistan, Burka-cloaked women walk for hours to reach a health clinic to treat their tuberculosis. As the women fight for their lives, the medical tent provides a space for both the men and women to experience modern medicine, gossip about loved ones, and debate the role of women in their society.

Agenda

- 9:30 a.m. Welcome by Dr. Carissa Etienne, Assistant Director, PAHO
- 9:35 a.m. Opening statement by Nicole Bates, Director, Government Relations, GHC
- 9:40 a.m. Irene Koek, Chief, Infectious Diseases Division, USAID and Chair of the *Stop TB Partnership*, Coordinating Board
A brief update on the World Health Organization's *2007 Report on Global Tuberculosis Control*
- 9:50 a.m. Dr. Jarbas Barbosa da Silva, Area Manager, Health Surveillance and Disease Management, PAHO.
The TB situation in the Americas: Reaching the MDGs on TB
- 10:00 a.m. Questions and Answers
- 10:20 a.m. Showing of the documentary *'The Voyage of the Women of Zartale'*

