



Agenda

IIIrd Regional Meeting on TB/HIV Collaborative Activities

(San Salvador, 24–26 April 2006)

Objectives

- Analyze implementation strategies in the [Guidelines for HIV Surveillance among Tuberculosis Patients](#), according to the needs and resources of each country.
- Share experiences among the countries on TB/HIV comprehensive care, with emphasis on counseling and voluntary testing for TB patients.
- Follow up on action plans developed in the [IInd Meeting on TB/HIV Collaboration](#) held in Mexico City in September 2004.
- Get to know the experience of El Salvador in implementing TB/HIV collaborative activities through visits to various health facilities.

Monday, 24 April

| Time | Activity | Person(s) presenting |
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| 8:00 – 8:30 | Arrival and registration of participants | PAHO-EI Salvador |
| 8:30 – 9:00 | Welcome | Dr. Eduardo Guerrero, PWR-EI Salvador; Representative from the Ministry of Health |
| 9:00 – 9:30 | Workshop objectives and methodology Introduction of participants | Dr. Mirtha del Granado, PAHO Regional Advisor on Tuberculosis |
| 9:40 -10:00 | TB/HIV: Challenges and responses for TB control at the global level | Dr. Rafael López Olarte, WHO <i>Stop TB</i> Department |
| 10:00 – 10:15 | Status of the HIV/AIDS epidemic in the Americas | Dr. Rafael Mazín, PAHO AIDS Unit |
| 10:15 - 10:30 | Regional Plan on HIV/AIDS: A framework for interprogrammatic collaboration | Dr. M. Dolores Pérez, PWR- Honduras, Acceso Universal |
| 10:30 – 10:45 | Epidemiological situation of tuberculosis and TB/HIV co-infection in the Americas | Dr. Mirtha del Granado, PAHO Regional Advisor on Tuberculosis |
| 10:45 – 11:00 | Discussion on preceding sessions | <i>Moderator:</i> Dr. Gerardo de Cosío, PWR-EI Salvador |
| 11:00-11:15 | Break | |

Objective 1: Analyze implementation strategies in the *Guidelines for HIV Surveillance among Tuberculosis Patients*

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| | Round-table discussion on epidemiological surveillance | <i>Moderator:</i> Dr. Pilar Ramón Pardo, PAHO Regional Program on TB |
| 11:15 - 11:35 | Methodology for surveillance of TB/HIV co-infection | Dr. Victor Mejía, CDC, CAP |
| 11:35-11:55 | Presentation of the <i>Guidelines for HIV Surveillance among Tuberculosis Patients</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Challenges for its implementation • Comments and questions | Dr. Pilar Ramón-Pardo, PAHO Regional Program on Tuberculosis |
| 11:55-12:45 | Presentation of selected experiences in the epidemiological surveillance of TB/HIV co-infection; Discussion | Uruguay, Honduras, Panama |
| 12:45 – 14:00 | Lunch | |
| 14:00 – 15:30 | Panel discussion on challenges for the surveillance of TB/HIV prevalence among TB patients in the Regional of the Americas (difficulties in practice) | <i>Moderator:</i> Dra Mirtha del Granado <i>Expert panel:</i> CDC, Dr. Rafael Mazín |
| 14:00-14:30 | Rapid testing: Relevance of primary care. Use in screening and diagnostics. | Dr. Rafael Mazín |
| 14:30 – 15:30 | Country experiences in using rapid testing, following by discussion and comments. | Brazil, Costa Rica, Venezuela |
| 15:30 – 15:50 | Break | |
| 15:50 – 17:00 | Diagnosing tuberculosis in patients with HIV: Methods for rapid diagnosis, use of TSTs; Discussion with experts and participants | Dr. Rafael López Olarte |

Tuesday 25 April**Objective 2: Get to know the experience of El Salvador in implementing TB/HIV collaborative activities**

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| 8:00 – 8:30 | Presentation by El Salvador: Implementation of TB/HIV collaborative activities; Practical orientation for field trip to health facilities | National TB and AIDS Programs (NTP and NAP) of El Salvador |
| 8:30 – 11:30 | Field trip | NTP and NAP of El Salvador |
| 11:30- 12:30 | Presentation of the conclusions from the field trip | <i>Moderator:</i> To be determined |
| 12:30 – 13:45 | Lunch | |

Objective 3: HIV counseling for patients with TB

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| 13:45-15:00 | Round-table discussion: Education and counseling HIV counseling Counseling for patients with TB CDC experience with HIV counseling for TB patients Counseling guide for patients with tuberculosis; Discussion and comments | <i>Moderator:</i> Dr. Rafael Mazín Peru Dr. Victor Mejía Dr. Alfonso Tenorio |
| 15:00 – 15:30 | Break | |

Objective 4: Follow up on action plans Developer at the IInd Meeting on TB/HIV Collaboration, Mexico City, 2004

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| 15:30 – 16:30 | Country progress in TB/HIV collaborative activities, with emphasis on comprehensive care | <i>Moderator:</i> Dr. Rafael López Olarte |
| | * <i>Introduction:</i> Dr Vary Jacquet | |
| | * Argentina | |
| | * Dominican Republic | |
| | * Guatemala | |
| | * Belize | |
| | * Mexico | |
| | * Guyana | |
| 16:30 – 17:00 | Drugs and supplies: Challenges and opportunities for TB/HIV collaboration; The PAHO Strategic Fund for Essential Drugs | Pending confirmation |

**Wednesday 26 April****Objective 5: Develop action plans for 2006–2007**

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| 8:15 – 8:30 | Methodology for the working groups | Dr. Rafael López Olarte |
| 8:30 – 11:30 | Working groups: TB/HIV collaboration plans | All countries |
| 10:00 – 10:15 | Break (determined by each group) | |
| 11:30 - 12:30 | Summary of the country working groups (interventions, 2 slides per country) | <i>Moderator:</i> Dr. Rafael López Olarte |
| 12:30 - 13:00 | Agreements from the meeting, handing out of certificates, closure | Dr. Mirtha del Granado |
| 13:00 – 14:00 | Lunch | |

