

AGENDA

1st GENERAL MEETING OF THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) ON HIV/AIDS/STI

**22-24 January 2005
Hotel Coral Hamaca
Boca Chica, Dominican Republic**

PAHO'S role in the coordination of priorities in HIV care and prevention for LAC

GENERAL OBJECTIVES
1. Present the status of PAHO's Strategic Orientations in the 3 by 5 initiative
2. Exchange experiences on the advances and challenges of countries in the region to expand access to comprehensive care and treatment including antiretroviral therapy, and to increase the prevention of HIV/AIDS transmission
3. Provide information on existing tools, methodologies, and available resources in PAHO and Member Countries, to support the regional and country efforts in the expansion of access to comprehensive care and treatment, and to increase the prevention of HIV/AIDS transmission
4. Agree on the priorities for the adequate and effective use of resources in the region and in countries
5. Introduce the Members and the objectives of the Technical Advisory Committee

Saturday, 22 January

Time	Activity	T	Methodology	Responsibilities
8: 00 – 8: 30	Registration of participants	30'		Organizers
8: 30 – 9: 00	Official opening	30'		In accordance with established protocol
9: 00 – 9: 10	Presentation of the agenda, objectives, expected results, and the methodologies to be used in the meeting	10'	Presentation	Chair: Paul Farmer Presenter: Carol Vlassoff
9: 10 – 9: 50	Introduction and presentation of the TAC Presentation of the Members Presentation of the participants	10' 10' 20'	Presentation	(1) Carol Vlassoff (2) Paul Farmer Participants
9: 50 – 10: 10	Presentation of "progress report" of the 3 by 5 initiative and of PAHO's 3 by 5 Strategic Orientations	20'	Presentation	Carol Vlassoff
10: 10 - 10: 30	Break			

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Session # 1: Expansion of access to comprehensive care and treatment					
10:30– 12:30	Panel # 1: Lessons learned:		Panel	Chair: Paul Farmer	
	Coordination with other sectors in Costa Rica Decentralizing services in Haiti Scaling up PMTCT in the Bahamas Integrating HIV/AIDS and TB services in Peru Political commitment as key to expansion of access in Chile Human rights context for scaling up care and treatment in Mexico	10' 10' 10' 10' 10' 10'		Presentations by the Directors of National HIV/AIDS Programs (NAP) Rapporteur: Amalia Del Riego	
	Conclusions	30'	Questions and Discussion	Paul Farmer	
12:30 – 2:00	Luncheon presentation on community-based approach to scaling up care and treatment Introduced by Dr. Paul Farmer, Dr. Fernet Leandre, Dr. Paul Zintl, and Dr. Jaime Bayona, Partners in Health				
Session # 2: Resources for the 3 by 5 Initiative					
2:00 – 3:30	Presentation on the operational strategy and the financial resources available in PAHO to implement the 3 by 5 strategy		20'	Presentation	Chair: Mercedes Weissenbacher Carol Vlassoff
	Presentation of technical staff available in the countries and Region:				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical resources identified by PAHO 		20'	Presentation	Amalia Del Riego
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical resources identified by the GCTH 		20'	Presentation	Mariângela Batista Galvão Simão Rapporteur: Bertha Gomez
	Conclusions	30'	Question and discussion	Mercedes Weissenbacher	
3:30 – 4:00	Break				
4:00 – 5:30	Tools Table # 1: The strengthening of health systems human resources development for 3x5 Parallel TAC Meeting		90'	Presentation to groups with open discussion	Table # 1: Rosa Maria Borrell and Bertha Gomez Rapporteur: Humberto Montiel Table # 2: Robert Shearer and Bilali Camara Rapporteur: Karoline Fonck Table # 3: Jeannette Noltenius and KJ Seung Rapporteur: Magda Palacio Table # 4: Amalia Del Riego and Julia Valderrama Rapporteur: María Almirón

5:30-6:00	General discussion and feedback: Gina Tambini			Rapporteur: Paulo Lyra
6:15 – 7:30	Round table: Challenges for interagency coordination for the implementation of the 3 by 5 strategy	75'	Round table	Chair: Carissa Etienne Participants: all Development Partners in attendance
7:30 – 8:00	Questions and discussion	30'		Rapporteur: Monica Brana
8:00	Welcome Dinner			

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Time	Session 3: Supply Management of medicines and laboratory agents			
8:30 – 10:30	Panel # 2: (1) Necessary information used by Barbados Drug Service, PAHO Collaborating Center, for the purchase of HIV medicines and diagnostics (2) Methods to estimate drug and laboratory reagents' needs in the framework of expanding access to comprehensive care: Experience of Argentina (3) Potential implications of intellectual property regulation and trade agreements in supply management of HIV/AIDS medicines and diagnostics (4) Selection of algorithms in HIV/AIDS diagnosis and the implications for cost management	15'	Panel	Chair: Brandon Bain (1) Maryam Hinds (1) Gabriela Hamilton (2) Jorge Bermúdez (3) TBA (4) TBA Rapporteur: James Fitzgerald
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	Conclusions	30'	Questions and discussion	Brendan Bain
10:30-11:00	Break			
11:00-12:30	Tools Table # 2 : Monitoring and Evaluation Parallel TAC meeting	90'	Presentation to groups with open discussion	<u>Table # 1:</u> Rafael Mazin Rapporteur: Jose Moya <u>Table # 2:</u> Bilali Camara Rapporteur: William Adu Krow <u>Table # 3:</u> Paloma Cuchi Rapporteur: Marco Suarez <u>Table # 4:</u> Amalia Del Riego Rapporteur: Enrique Vazquez
12:30 – 1:00	General discussion and feedback: Andrew Ball			Rapporteur: Julia Valderrama
1:00-2:00	Lunch Presentation: Communication tools for HIV: Paulo Lyra			

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<u>Simultaneous panels: Challenges in the strengthening of preventive responses to the transmission of HIV/AIDS:</u>				
2:00 – 4:00	<p><u>Panel # 1: Prevention of sexual transmission</u> <u>Panel # 2: Entry points for HIV/AIDS care and treatment</u></p>			
2:00 – 4:00	<p>Simultaneous panel # 1: Challenges in the strengthening of a preventive response to sexual transmission of HIV/AIDS:</p> <p>Session A: (1) Experience of El Salvador: Preventive activities for and with youth (2) Prevention in vulnerable populations: Sex workers. Experience of Suriname (3) Prevention in vulnerable populations: MSM. Experience of Colombia</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Break:</p> <p>Session B: (1) Promotion of sexual health as a strategy to prevent HIV/STI (2) Experience of ASHLAC: (a) "Supportive strategies in the prevention of HIV/AIDS in youth" (b) "Networks and prevention in HIV/AIDS" (3) Importance of developing preventive actions directed to adolescents and youth</p>	<p>10'</p> <p>10'</p> <p>10'</p> <p>10'</p> <p>10'</p> <p>10'</p> <p>10'</p>	<p>Questions and discussion</p>	<p>Chair: Jane Galvão</p> <p>(1) El Salvador: Elizabeth Rodríguez (2) Suriname: Sonja Caffé (3) Colombia: Ricardo Luque</p> <p>Rapporteur: Paulo Lyra</p> <p>(1): Rafael Mazin (2): ASHLAC: (a) Bill Smith (b) Esther Corona (3): Eli Coleman</p> <p>Rapporteur: Paloma Cuchí</p>
	Conclusions	30'	Questions and discussion	Jane Galvão
2:00 – 4:00	<p>Simultaneous panel # 2: Entry points for HIV/AIDS care and treatment: (1) Experience of Brazil in integrating IDU with HIV care (2) Experience of Honduras in integrating PMTCT with HIV care (3) Experience of Cuba in integrating STI prevention with HIV care (4) Experience of the Dominican Republic integrating TB with HIV care (5) Central American experience in integrating HIV care with domestic and sexual violence:</p>	<p>15'</p> <p>15'</p> <p>15'</p> <p>15'</p> <p>15'</p>	<p>Questions and discussion</p>	<p>Chair: Penny Hitchcock</p> <p>(1) Brazil: Mariângela Batista Galvão Simão (2) Honduras: Rosalinda Hernández (3) Cuba: Osmany Ricardo Puig (4) Dominican Republic: Belkis Marcelino (5) PAHO-CA: Diny Luciano and Sandra Jones</p> <p>Rapporteur: Julia Valderrama</p>
	Conclusions	45'	Questions and discussion	Penny Hitchcock

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4:00 – 4:30	Break			
4:30 – 5:30	<p>Tools Table # 3: Planning processes for the adequate response at the country level</p> <p>Tools Table # 4: Tools for an effective prevention of the sexual transmission of HIV/AIDS, especially in adolescents & youth</p> <p>Parallel TAC meeting</p>	60'	Presentation to groups with an open discussion	<p>Planning: Table # 1: Bertha Gomez Rapporteur: Enrique Gil</p> <p>Table # 2: Bilali Camara and Amalia Del Riego Rapporteur: Gerardo de Cosio</p> <p>Prevention: Table # 1: Rafael Mazin Rapporteur: Luis Castellanos</p> <p>Table # 2: Paloma Cuchi Rapporteur: Reynaldo Aguilar</p>
5:30 – 6:00	General discussion and feedback: Eduardo Guerrero (TBC)			Rapporteur: Paulo Lyra
7:00 – 9:00	Dinner Meeting: TAC Members with PAHO staff			

MONDAY, 24 January

Hour	Activity
8:30 – 9:30	TAC internal meeting
9:30 – 10:30	Presentation of TAC conclusions and recommendations : Mercedes Weissenbacher
10:30 - 11:00	Closing ceremony

Session # 4: Individual dialogue with the countries: Individual meetings with each country to define opportunities and priorities of technical cooperation				
11:00– 1:00	Meetings between the country teams and PAHO's HIV/AIDS Regional Program team: Country Groups # 1 & 2	2 h	11:00– 1:00	Country Groups #3 & 4 (break)
1:00– 2:00	Lunch			Lunch
Continuation of individual meetings with countries				
2:00 - 4:00	Meetings between the country teams and PAHO's HIV/AIDS Regional Program team: Country Groups # 3 & 4	2 h	2:00 - 4:00	Country groups # 1 & 2 (optional)