

## XXII Technical Advisory Group on Vaccine-preventable Diseases (TAG) Meeting

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Room C  
1-2 July 2014

*“Vaccination: Your best shot!”*

### PAHO Technical Advisory Group on Vaccine-preventable Diseases (TAG):

Originally established in 1985 to set forth evidence-based strategies for polio eradication, the PAHO Regional Technical Advisory Group (TAG) has presided 21 meetings. TAG functions as the leading regional forum to review and promote regional goals and strategies for immunization. Specifically, the TAG reviews national immunization program progress and results, assists in the identification of research needs, and oversees the progress of research efforts in course. It has progressively expanded its mandate to the current aim of strengthening the immunization policy dialogue among key stakeholders in the Americas involved in efforts to control vaccine-preventable diseases.

Tuesday, July 1		
8:00	Breakfast for TAG Members and Invited members of the Secretariat, Delegate’s Lounge	
Inaugural Session		
9:00	Welcome and opening remarks	Francisco Becerra PAHO Assistant Director
		Peter Figueroa TAG Chairman, a.i.
9:15	Reflections and remembrance of Dr. Ciro de Quadros	Jon Kim Andrus PAHO Deputy Director
9:30	Update on the progress of regional implementation of the Global Vaccine Action Plan (GVAP)	Cuauhtémoc Ruiz Matus Immunization, PAHO
9:50	Introduction to the topics of the day	
Polio Endgame Update For information		
10:00	Update on the implementation of the Polio Eradication and Endgame Strategic Plan (2013-2018) in the Americas	Cristina Pedreira Immunization, PAHO
10:20	Discussion	
10:45	Coffee break in the lobby	
HPV Vaccination in the Americas *For decision		

<b>For TAG consideration:</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is the progress in HPV vaccine introduction in the Americas adequate?</li> <li>Are the global updated recommendations on HPV immunization schedules applicable to the Americas?</li> </ul>		
<b>11:15</b>	Progress on HPV vaccine introduction in the Americas	Andrea Vicari <b>Immunization, PAHO</b>
<b>11:35</b>	SAGE recommendations on HPV immunization schedules	Andrea Vicari <b>Immunization, PAHO</b>
<b>12:05</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	
<b>12:45</b>	<b>Lunch (TAG Members and invited members of the Secretariat meet in the Delegate's Lounge)</b>	
<b>Influenza Vaccination For information</b>		
<b>14:15</b>	Update on Influenza vaccine use and the REVELAC-i Network in the Americas	Alba Maria Roperio <b>Immunization, PAHO</b>
<b>14:35</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	
<b>Update on Cholera Vaccination in the Americas For information</b>		
<b>14:55</b>	Cholera vaccination in the Americas	Andrea Vicari <b>Immunization, PAHO</b>
<b>15:20</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	
<b>15:45</b>	<b>Coffee break in lobby</b>	
<b>Update on Measles, Rubella and Congenital Rubella Syndrome Elimination For information</b>		
<b>16:15</b>	Status of the documentation and verification process: Measles, rubella and congenital rubella syndrome elimination	Pamela Bravo <b>Immunization, PAHO</b>
<b>16:35</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	
<b>Immunization Award</b>		
<b>17:00</b>	Review of candidates	Jennifer Sanwogou <b>Immunization, PAHO</b>
<b>17:15</b>	<b>Announcement of award recipient</b>	Peter Figueroa <b>TAG Chairman, a.i.</b>
<b>17:30</b>	<b>End of day</b>	
<b><u>Wednesday, July 2</u></b>		
<b>8:00</b>	<b>Breakfast for TAG Members and Invited members of the Secretariat, Delegate's Lounge</b>	
<b>9:00</b>	Introduction to the topics of the day	Cuahtémoc Ruiz Matus <b>Immunization, PAHO</b>
<b>Update on the use of Pertussis vaccines *For decision</b>		
<b>For TAG consideration:</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Should countries using DTaP modify or adjust their vaccination schedule?</li> </ul>		
<b>9:15</b>	Recommendations from SAGE on pertussis-containing vaccine use	Cristina Pedreira <b>Immunization, PAHO</b>
<b>9:35</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	

Update on the PAHO Revolving Fund For information		
10:05	PAHO Revolving Fund updates	Daniel Rodriguez Immunization, PAHO
10:25	Discussion	
10:45	Coffee break in lobby	
Update on Immunization Data Quality and Electronic Immunization Registries For information		
11:45	Update on immunization data quality and progress on scaling-up the use of electronic immunization registries in the Region	Carolina Danovaro Immunization, PAHO
12:05	Discussion	
12:30	Lunch (TAG Members and invited members of the Secretariat meet in the Delegate's Lounge)	
PCV vaccination in adults *For decision		
For TAG consideration:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Should PCV vaccination be recommended for adults?</li> </ul>		
14:00	Evidence on pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (PCV) use in adults	Lucia Oliveira Immunization, PAHO
14:20	Discussion	
15:05	Coffee break in lobby	
Agenda for Operational Research in the Regional Program of the Americas For information		
15:35	Tools for improving the effective management of immunization programs at all levels	Martha Velandia/Cara Janusz Immunization, PAHO
15:50	Discussion	
PAHO TAG – Terms of Reference and Procedures For information		
16:15	Proposed revisions and timeline for implementation	Cuahtémoc Ruiz Matus Immunization, PAHO
16:30	Discussion	
Closing ceremony – TAG 2014		
16:45	Review of TAG 2014 recommendations	Peter Figueroa TAG Chairman, a.i.
17:15	Closing remarks	Jon Kim Andrus PAHO Deputy Director
17:30	End of day	