ROADMAP HIV & TB-HIV

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WEDNESDAY, 29 October 2014
9:00 - 17:00
Course No. 07: Project management – Room 127
Course No. 03: Innovative and effective training for community workers – Room 129
Workshop No. 01: Operational research skills in one day – Room 113
17:30-19:00, Auditorium
Plenary:
Sir John Crofton Memorial Lecture: "The role of legislative advocacy for TB and other lung health conditions” Speaker: Nick Herbert (UK)
"Old disease, new ambitions: Zero TB deaths in our lifetime" Speaker: Dr Aaron Motsoaledi (South Africa)
"The role of communities in the management and care of persons living with tuberculosis, HIV and other lung health issues” Speaker: Ria Grant (South Africa)

THURSDAY, 30 October 2014
Symposium No. 06: Empirical treatment for TB among HIV-positive people: who, when, how? Update on trials in progress
8:00 - 10:00 – Room 115
Empirical TB treatment (i.e. starting TB treatment without bacteriological confirmation) is widely practiced, particularly for HIV-positive people, among whom traditional diagnostic tests have inadequate sensitivity. However, the evidence base to define conditions under which the benefits of empirical treatment outweigh the risks is lacking. Several trials are underway to address this question. In this symposium we will discuss the relevance of empirical treatment, outline studies in progress which address this question and discuss implications for policy and practice.

Poster discussion session No. 09: HIV/TB programme links: hand in hand screening for TB and HIV
10:15-11:15

Plenary:
"WHO’s new End TB Strategy 2016-2035" Speaker: Mukund Upilekar (Switzerland)
"New models of lung health and diabetes care for the poor accessing private providers in Asia" Speaker: Aamir Khan (Pakistan)
11:30-12:30, Auditorium

Oral abstract presentation session No. 02: Screening / Testing / Diagnostics in TB-HIV
12:45-14:15 – Room 117

Symposium No. 14: Outstanding issues in HIV/AIDS
14:30 - 16:30 – Room 117
Despite World Health Organization's recommendation about the use of Xpert MTB/RIF as the initial diagnostic test among people living with HIV/AIDS, many national programmes continue to include sputum smear microscopy in the TB diagnostic algorithm for PLHIV. Despite the limited protective effect against development of TB, WHO recommends 6 months of IPT among PLHIV with no clear recommendation about repeat course of IPT. WHO provisionally recommends longer duration of IPT among PLHIV. These two issues remain outstanding at the programme level and will be discussed extensively at this symposium.
FRIDAY, 31 October 2014

Poster discussion No. 31: Inextricably linked: integrating TB and HIV care
10:15-11:15

Plenary:
"Past and future examples of community engagement" Speaker: Mark Dybul (Switzerland)
"Robert Koch Lecture on TB vaccines development" Speaker: Stefan H E Kaufmann (Germany)
11:30-12:30, Auditorium

Oral abstract presentation session No. 17: Prophylactic therapies
12:45-14:15 – Room 116

Symposium No. 28: Adolescent TB, TB-HIV and MDR-TB: Addressing a vulnerable population with unique needs using innovative solutions
14:30 - 16:30 – Room 112
Adolescents with TB typically present with adult-type disease, but represent a vulnerable population that falls between child and adult TB control efforts. They face unique challenges of TB exposure, adherence, retention and support, and also face the risk of MDR-TB and TB/HIV coinfection. Efforts are needed to understand the epidemiology, disease manifestations and best means of treating and supporting this vulnerable population.

For Union members and interested delegates: Union HIV Scientific Section Meeting
16:45-18:15 – Room 114

SATURDAY, 1 November 2014

Symposium No. 37: TB/HIV Late-breaker session
9:15 - 11:15 – Room: 112

Plenary:
"Panel discussion: Community driven solutions: present perspectives and future vision" Speakers: Patrick Nsamba Mata (Democratic Republic of Congo), Edith Garba (Nigeria), Mesake Navugona (Fiji), Oleksandr Kulchenko (Ukraine)
11:30-12:30, Auditorium

Poster discussion session No. 50: Treatment, management and diagnosis: a potpourri of TB and HIV issues
12:45-13:45

Symposium No. 49: Developing a roadmap for integration of TB-HIV activities in maternal and child health settings
14:00 - 16:00 – Room 113
This session will summarise the epidemiology, importance, strategies, current practice and challenges to integrating TB-HIV services in MCH settings.

If you are not a member, you can join The Union today at www.theunion.org or at the Membership stand in The Union Village at the Barcelona 2014 conference.

The Union HIV Section
The HIV Scientific Section was created in November 2007 with the goal of providing more opportunities for members with an interest in HIV and TB to be active in the organisation. The Section has been very active in recent years, and has grown to 96 members. It aims to increase collaboration/cooperation between the TB and HIV communities in order to better address the dual epidemic and its principal work is to develop a scientific programme for the annual conference, encourage information exchange amongst members and vote in the General Assembly. We hope you will join us in the HIV section.

The current HIV Section officers are:
Chair: Anand Date
Vice-Chair: Jeroen Van Gorkom
Programme Secretary
Secretary: Keren Middelkoop
Contact the officers at HIV-section@theunion.org

Wim Vandevelde will end his mandate as Chair at the 45th Union World Conference in Barcelona and Keren Middelkoop will take up the position. Colleen Daniels, who was recently elected as the new Secretary, will start her mandate in Barcelona.