

08. Addressing challenges of MDR-TB control in the countries of the former Soviet Union (FSU)

Wednesday, 29 October 2014, 09:00 - 17:00

Room 122/123



Type Workshop

Track Tuberculosis

Topic Medical management of TB and drug resistant TB

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Duration Full-day

Max attendees 80

Meeting type Open meeting

Description This initiative is built upon the successful workshop at the 2013 Union Conference in Paris. The countries of the region are implementing the Consolidated Action Plan to Prevent and Combat M/XDR-TB in the WHO European Region, 2011-2015. While FSU countries previously relied on a hospital-based model of care for TB control, an increasing number of examples have shown that ambulatory or community-based care for most patients is feasible and cost-effective in the FSU settings. This workshop will discuss achievements and challenges facing MDR-TB control programmes from a health system perspective

Target audience National TB programme managers, TB specialists, health policy-makers, academicians, TB consultants, TB specialists, nurses.

Objectives

1. To share experiences and lessons learnt in addressing challenges in MDR-TB control in FSU countries
2. To discuss challenges and next steps in adapting a health system approach to MDR-TB control in FSU countries

Expected outcome On the basis of the discussion a report will be presented that will describe best practices from pilots in the countries and lessons learnt from the region in the areas of scaling-up of MDR-TB control, community involvement and ambulatory models of TB care, participation of civil society organisations and addressing the needs of TB patients from vulnerable groups (prisoners, patients with alcohol addiction).

Keywords TB control, MDR-TB, high-burden countries, models of care

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Presentations

1. Challenges of TB/MDR-TB/HIV co-infection in Belarus
Alena Skrahina (Belarus), Varvara Solodovnikova (Belarus)
2. Defining optimal models of care for MDR-TB patients in Vladimir region
Grigory Volchenkov (Russian Federation)
3. Piloting interventions for TB/MDR-TB patients with alcohol addiction in Estonia
Manfred Danilovits (Estonia)
4. Development and implementation of a multi-functional routine TB surveillance system in the megapolis of Moscow City
Eugeny Belilovsky (Russian Federation)
5. Potential of Civil Society Organisations in addressing MDR-TB challenges in the countries of Eastern Europe
Fanny Voitzwinkler (Belgium)
6. Financing reforms as a tool for improvement of TB in-patient and out-patient services in Armenia
Hayrapetyan Armen (Armenia)
7. Scale up of programmatic management of drug-resistant TB in Kazakhstan
Abildaev (Kazakhstan)
8. Addressing challenges of TB control in the penitentiary system in Moldova
Svetlana Doltu (Moldova)