

# 07. Community engagement and relief of suffering in palliative care

Thursday, 30 October 2014, 08:00 - 10:00

Room 116



**Type** Symposium

**Track** Civil Society

**Topic** Community outreach

**Description** The integration of palliative care into mainstream DR-TB services is enhanced through increased community participation. Palliative care programmes are most effective when they are rooted in the communities they serve and people are more engaged in the care of seriously ill TB patients. How this can be achieved is through increased family support and through increased volunteerism and home based care worker involvement. Examples of community based organisations that have succeeded in doing this will be presented.

**Target audience** Managers of TB programmes, clinicians, community organisers, community based organisations.

**Objectives**

1. To identify strategies for increasing community involvement in TB care and relief of suffering
2. To understand how to modify existing TB programmes to better engage community members
3. To describe how palliative care can complement DR-TB care
4. To understand how the use of home based care workers and volunteers can be enhanced in DR TB care

**Keywords** Suffering; MDR-TB; XDR-TB; palliative care; community; volunteers; home-based care workers

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**Chair(s)** Ernesto Jaramillo (Switzerland), Stephen Connor (USA)

**Presentations**

**08:00 - 08:10** Palliative care in drug-resistant TB: guiding principles  
Stephen Connor (USA)

**08:15 - 08:30** Community based palliative care and TB care in the Nairobi slum communities  
Owiti Anne (Kenya)

**08:35 - 08:50** Community based care for DR-TB patients in South Africa  
Refiloe Matji (South Africa)

**08:55 - 09:10** Community engagement in a mainstream TB programme: how palliative care enhances community involvement  
Liga Kuksa (Latvia)

**09:15 - 09:25** The inseparable work of caring and curing: a community-based model of integrated TB treatment  
Irena Gelmanova (Russian Federation)

**09:30 - 09:45** Community involvement in DR-TB care in Viet Nam  
Eric Krakauer (USA)

**09:50 - 10:00** Discussion