

15. Systematic screening for active TB: from guideline to implementation

Thursday, 30 October 2014, 14:30 - 16:30

Room 115



Type Symposium

Track Tuberculosis

Topic Other

Description In 2013, WHO issued guidelines on systematic screening for active TB that stressed the need for country adaptation and prioritisation based on national and local situation assessments. Several countries have started to operationalise those guidelines, developed draft national screening strategies and implementing screening in selected risk groups. In this symposium, selected country case studies will be presented. A web-based tool to help prioritise risk groups for screening and help choose screening algorithms will also be presented, as well as a draft operational manual.

Target audience National TB programmes, health care workers, public health experts, researchers and policy-makers

Objectives

1. To share country experiences of the process to develop national TB screening strategies
2. To present early results from the implementation of national TB screening strategies in selected countries
3. To present tools for the planning and implementation of systematic TB screening

Keywords Tuberculosis; screening; risk groups

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Presentations

14:30 - 14:45 Screening for TB in risk groups in Cambodia
Tan Eang Mao (Cambodia), Tonsing (Cambodia)

14:50 - 15:05 Screening for TB in risk groups in Myanmar
Thandar Lwin (Myanmar)

15:10 - 15:25 Screening for TB in risk groups in Uzbekistan
Susan Van Den Hof (Netherlands)

15:30 - 15:45 Screening for TB in risk groups in Ghana
Frank Adae Bonsu (Ghana), Pedro Guillermo Suarez (USA)

15:50 - 16:05 Tool for screening prioritisation
Cecily Miller (USA)

16:10 - 16:25 Operational guide for systematic TB screening
Knut Lonnroth (Switzerland)