23. QMS implementation and accreditation of TB laboratories

Friday, 31 October 2014, 08:00 - 10:10

Room 114

Type: Symposium
Track: TB Bacteriology and Immunology

Topic: TB laboratories: quality management and TB laboratories’ network

Description: The improvement of the quality of services in public laboratories is actually high priority in many countries. The Stepwise Laboratory Improving Process Towards Accreditation (SLIPTA) framework, aimed at achieving the ISO 15189 standards, was implemented in Public Health laboratories in WHO regions, leading to laboratory accreditation and certification and promoting country ownership and sustainability of the laboratory Quality Management System (QMS). To compliment this framework targeting TB Lab networks, The Global Laboratory Initiative (GLI) has developed a QMS to guide TB laboratories.

Target audience: The laboratory staff interested in the implementation of innovative tools (SLMTA, GLI – QMS for quality management of TB laboratories).

Objectives:
1. Share experiences in the process of accreditation of TB laboratories
2. Platform to showcase countries’ experiences
3. Provide solutions to attendants
4. Accreditation and its pivotal role in strengthening TB treatment and control efforts

Keywords: Quality Management System; accreditation; quality assurance.

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Presentations:
08:00 - 08:15 SLIPTA programme, SLMTA, and GLI TB tools complementarity in strengthening laboratory management system
Alaine Umubyeyi Nyaruhirira (South Africa)

08:15 - 08:30 Strengthening laboratory management toward accreditation programme: transforming the lab landscape in developing countries and customisation for labs
Heidemarie Albert (South Africa)

08:30 - 08:45 Implementation of quality management system towards accreditation: the SLIPTA experience
Talkmore Maruta (Zimbabwe)

08:45 - 09:00 GLI/ QMS tool: updates and uptake
Stella Van Beers (Netherlands)

09:00 - 09:15 Practical issues and challenges in implementation QMS for TB laboratories in Central Asian Republics
Marija Joncevska (Macedonia, Yugoslav Rep.)

09:15 - 09:30 Process of accreditation of TB laboratories in Kazakhstan
Bekzat Toksanbaeva (Kazakhstan)

09:30 - 09:45 The road to achievement of ISO 15189 accreditation
Moses Joloba (Uganda)

09:45 - 10:00 Discussion