

34. Supervision or support? A debate panel on challenges around DOT and patient-centered care

Friday, 31 October 2014, 14:30 - 16:30

Room 116



Type Symposium

Track Nurses and Allied Professionals (TB, HIV, Tobacco and Lung Health)

Topic Treatment adherence

Description Directly observed treatment might be understood as directly observing patients taking their drugs. But we also know that treatment support demands more than treatment supervision. The variety of concepts discussed in theory and strategies applied in the daily basis of health services and communities need to be brought to light. This symposium aims to raise a debate on strategies of treatment support for TB patients, clarifying concepts around DOT, adherence, social protection and comprehensive care.

Target audience Nurses, social workers, medical doctors, health educators, TB programme managers, community groups, civil society representatives, researchers and policymakers.

Objectives

1. To clarify issues regarding treatment adherence strategies under a patient-centered care perspective
2. To engage professionals in a debate on the challenges of translating policies into practices
3. To empower nurses, social workers and other professionals in achieving comprehensive care for TB patients

Keywords Patient-centered care; directly observed therapy; primary health care; nurses and allied professionals

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Presentations

14:30 - 14:50 Treatment support in South Africa: TB/HIV Care Association experiences
Celestine Jaftha (South Africa), Maria Grant (South Africa)

14:55 - 15:10 An ethical reflection on DOT: supervision X support
Justin Denholm (Australia)

15:15 - 15:30 Engaging communities: BRAC innovative strategies to TB treatment in Bangladesh
Mohamed Akramul Islam (Bangladesh)

15:35 - 15:50 Delivering TB treatment in the Rocinha community, Rio de Janeiro: nurses' perspective on DOT in Brazil
Fabiana Assumpção De Souza (Brazil)

15:55 - 16:10 A patient's voice on TB-MDR treatment: a long path to the cure
Chibuikwe Amaechi (Nigeria)

16:15 - 16:30 WHO perspective on treatment support strategies
Ernesto Jaramillo (Switzerland)