

39. Engaging communities of special risk groups in conflict affected communities

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Room 111



Type Sponsored Core Symposium

Track Tuberculosis

Topic TB in special populations and institutions

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Description During conflict situations such as war or extensive social turmoil, essential survival resources are lacking, basic services are disrupted and social and community networks are affected by fear and hatred. Specific TB affected groups, either pre-existing or created by the conflict, such as minorities, displaced, refugees or people in congregate settings, including armed personnel and factories, are even more affected. Opportunities to engage communities in TB control present specific challenges and adopt specific forms in time of conflict or immediately after.

Target audience Clinicians, NTP staff and managers, voluntary workers with experience (or interest) in TB control in conflict zones, international officials and media staff covering conflicts

Objectives

1. To present results of programmes focused on engaging key TB affected populations under conflict.
2. To identify lessons learned from TB activities in conflict zones while engaging high risk population.
3. To enhance the understanding of how conflict and its aftermath affects the deployment of services.

Keywords Conflict zones; Fragile states; war; social conflict; deployment of TB activities.

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Presentations

09:15 - 09:30 How could TB control be organised within an open conflict?
Akmal Nasrat (Afghanistan)

09:35 - 09:50 Garments TB screening in Bangladesh during worker unrest and management reluctance
Khurshid-e-khoda Talukder (Bangladesh)

09:55 - 10:10 High prevalence of TB/HIV and Rifampicin-resistant TB among military populations of Eastern Democratic Republic of Congo
Emmanuel Andre (Belgium)

10:15 - 10:30 Challenges and opportunities of building tuberculosis control in a newly defined health system after over 20 years of civil war
Calixte Minani (South Sudan, Republic of)

10:35 - 10:50 A Step towards universal access to TB services in a tribal area
Subrata Das (India)

10:55 - 11:15 TB control in conflict affected communities: The case of Sierra Leone and Ivory Coast
Kelly (Sierra Leone), Olivier Weil (France)