Session N.00293  
**09. Establishing community MDR-TB programmes**

**Thursday, 03 December 2015, 13:00 - 16:00**  
**Room MR 1.42**

**Type of session**  
Post-graduate Course

**Track**  
Drug-resistant TB care and treatment, including trials

**Track2 (optional)**  
Patient-centred care

**Duration**  
Half-day

**Max attendees**  
75

**Description**  
This course will provide practical information regarding decentralised community-based MDR-TB treatment programmes. Topics will provide participants information related to successful design, implementation and monitoring of community MDR-TB services based on population needs. The course will cover planning and budgeting, provider/personnel training, information and data sharing, adherence and retention in care, use of technology, and quality assurance. The outcome will be a stronger understanding of the elements to provide effective, patient-centered decentralised MDR-TB treatment.

**Target audience**  
1. Policy-makers  
2. TB and MDR-TB programme managers  
3. TB and MDR-TB clinicians and nurses

**Objectives**  
1. Describe detailed steps to design, plan and run a programme for community-based management of MDR TB  
2. Provide practical examples of the initiation of community based MDR-TB services in a variety of contexts  
3. Describe approaches to improve patient-centred care for MDR TB patients

**Keywords**  
Programmatic Management of Multidrug-resistant TB (PMDT); community-based; patient-centred care

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**Chair(s)**  
Refiloe Matji (South Africa), Paul Daru (Bangladesh)

**Presentations**

1. Designing a community-based MDR-TB programme: key considerations  
   Refiloe Matji (South Africa)

2. Developing community support cadres for MDR-TB treatment in Indonesia  
   Esty Febriani (Indonesia)

3. Approaches to working with private providers to improve access to MDR-TB services in local communities in Georgia  
   Tamar Gabunia (Georgia)

4. Strengthening referral linkages and follow-up in decentralised MDR-TB systems of care  
   Robert Makombe (South Africa)

5. Planning and building coalitions between providers and service points  
   Samson Haumba (Swaziland)

6. Incorporation of mHealth solutions to support case management in Bangladesh  
   Paul Daru (Bangladesh)

7. Incorporating social support and ensuring patient-centred care  
   Jennifer Furin (USA)