The unaddressed health challenge of TB in prisons: applying End TB Strategy concepts of patient-centred care

Friday, 04 December 2015, 15:30 - 17:00
Room MR 2.41-2.43

Type of session: Symposium
Track: TB in vulnerable and special populations
Description: Prisons face more concentrated TB epidemic. The failure to screen correctional inmates for TB, overcrowding, and inadequate respiratory infection controls result in TB transmission among inmates and staff that carries over to the community. This symposium will explore practical interventions to control TB in prisons applying the WHO recommended strategy as well as share future perspectives beyond 2015.

Target audience:
1. TB programme implementers at the national, regional, and local levels
2. Prison administrators, healthcare providers, and infection control practitioners

Objectives:
1. To provide evidence on which to base decision making by TB implementers and prison officials
2. To share successful experience of interventions demonstrating progress towards reducing TB burden in prisons

Keywords: Tuberculosis; prisons; congregate settings; transmission

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Presentations:
15:30 - 15:45  20 years of TB control in penitentiary systems in Azerbaijan: achievements and challenges
Elmira Gurbanova (Azerbaijan)

15:50 - 16:05  Barriers and challenges to treating TB in prisons in India
Sarabjit Chadha (India)

16:10 - 16:25  Controlling tuberculosis in prisons in China
Mingting Chen (China)

16:30 - 16:45  TB/ HIV control in the correctional setting of South Africa
Salome Charalambous (South Africa)

16:50 - 17:00  Discussion