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02. Turning the tide on DR-TB: systematic action to improve treatment outcomes

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Room MR 2.44-2.46

Type of session

Sponsored Satellite Symposium

Track

Drug-resistant TB care and treatment, including trials

Track2 (optional)

Civil society / patient & community engagement

Organised by

Lilly MDR-TB Partnership

Description

There are tried and tested models for supporting people along the continuum of drug-resistant tuberculosis (DR-TB) care, yet we still cannot drastically tip the scales on treatment outcomes globally. This interactive panel session highlights how countries are turning the tide along the continuum. Examples include interventions by nurses from China, following treatment-seeking behaviors to reach people where they are in India, reaching hard-to-reach populations in Russia and systematic recording and reporting from South Africa and improved treatment success rates in Ethiopia. Panelists will discuss challenges and address removing barriers to tipping the scales on DR-TB.

Target audience

- 1. National policy-makers, TB programme managers
- 2. Healthcare professionals and advocates
- 3. Funding partners and technical support agencies

Objectives

- 1. To share country lessons for improving DR-TB treatment outcomes along the continuum of care
- 2. To exchange ideas on collectively scaling up models for DR-TB
- **3.** To discuss how to remove barriers to improved treatment outcomes with the current tools and financing DR-TB

Keywords

Coordinator(s) Amy Israel (Switzerland)

Chair(s)

Evan Lee (Switzerland), Lucica Ditiu (Switzerland)

Presentations

07:30 - 07:36 Setting the stage: turning the tide globally Lucica Ditiu (Switzerland)

07:36 - 07:42 Maximising the role of nurses in the care of MDR-TB in China Aimin Guo (China)

07:42 - 07:48 Engaging private hospital chains in DR-TB care in India Sarabjit Chadha (India)

07:48 - 07:54 Reaching hard-to-reach populations in the Voronezh region of Russia Sergei Kornienko (Russian Federation)

07:54 - 08:00 How South Africa is systematically improving recording and reporting Zerilda Claasen (South Africa)

08:00 - 08:06 Achieving high treatment outcomes for MDR-TB in Ethiopia: raising the bar for MDR-TB treatment in Africa

Daniel Meressa (Ethiopia)

08:06 - 08:45 Panel discussion: scalability and applicability along the continuum of care Evan Lee (Switzerland)