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64. TB contact investigation in high-risk populations: innovative approaches and implementation experiences

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Type of session

Symposium

Track

TB outbreaks and contact investigation

Description

TB contact screening in high-burden settings is a high-yield strategy for TB case finding but there is limited experience. As countries start to devise more targeted approaches to case finding it is important to focus on strategies that would be scaled up through a modest investment in the health system. In this symposium we will discuss country experiences in contact investigation of active TB cases including household contacts, migrant workers, pastoralist communities, and residents of urban slums. We will also discuss some innovative approaches in contact screening.

Target audience

- 1. National TB Programme staff
- 2. Global policymakers and technical experts
- 3. Implementing and funding organisations

Objectives

- 1. To share experiences of implementing contact investigation at wider scale in resource limited settings
- 2. To discuss innovative ways of improving the yield of contact investigation
- **3.** To examine factors contributing to successful programmes and potential to scale-up other locations Tuberculosis; contact investigation; high risk populations

Keywords
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Presentations

13:30 - 13:40 The yield of contact investigation in a rural setting in Ethiopia Degu Jerene Dare (Ethiopia), Gebrie Negussie (Ethiopia)

13:45 - 13:55 Contact screening and expanding childhood TB diagnosis and treatment of TB in Bangladesh Shayla Islam (Bangladesh)

**14:00 - 14:10** TB contact investigation: experiences from prisons in Uganda Turyahabwe Stavia (Uganda), Enock Kizito (Uganda)

**14:15 - 14:25** Tuberculosis contact investigation in Afghanistan Mohammad Khaled Sediq (Afghanistan), Mohammad Rashidi (Afghanistan)

**14:30 - 14:40** TB clusters in villages: community screening and GIS mapping Shallo Hamusse Daba (Ethiopia)

14:45 - 15:00 Discussion