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AGENDA

DEFEATING MENINGITIS BY 2030 GLOBAL ROADMAP WORKSHOP"

The Harbor Club Rodney Bay, Saint Lucia,
November 18th – 20th, 2024

Monday, November 18th

Master of Ceremony: Dr. Taraleen Malcolm, Advisor Noncommunicable Diseases and Mental Health, PAHO/ Barbados and ECC

ACTIVITY	TIMETABLE
Registration of participants	8.30-9.00
<p style="text-align: center;">Opening Ceremony</p> <p>Opening prayer</p> <p>Welcome and opening remarks:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><u>Dr. Sharon Belmar-George</u>, Chief Medical Officer, Ministry of Health, Wellness and Elderly Affairs, Saint Lucia</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><u>Dr. Renato Oliveira e Souza</u>, Unit Chief, Mental Health and Substance Use, PAHO/WHO</p>	9.00-9.20
Introductions, meeting objectives and expected outcomes	9.20-9.40
<p>Presentation on Defeating Meningitis by 2030 Roadmap, Relevant WHO initiatives and development of National Meningitis Plans</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><u>Dr. Tarun Dua</u> Unit Head, Department of Mental Health, Brain Health and Substance Use, WHO</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><u>Antoine Durupt</u> Project Manager, Defeating Meningitis by 2030, WHO</p>	9.40-10.20



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Group picture and morning break	10.20-10.45
Regional Roadmap: Defeating Meningitis by 2030 in the Americas Dr. Nathalie El Omeiri, Advisor AMR/PAHO (virtual) <u>Dr. Maria Tereza Da Costa</u> , Consultant on Comprehensive Immunization, CIM/ PAHO	10.45-11.15
Country Experiences: <u>Dr. Gail Gajadhar</u> Senior Medical Officer, Infectious Diseases Unit The Ministry of Health, Wellness and Elderly Affairs Saint Lucia Ms.Carolina Gava (virtual) EPI Ministry of Health Brazil <u>Dr. Daniel Reyes Gutierrez</u> National Consultant for prevention, control and elimination of communicable disease PAHO, El Salvador	11.15-12.00
Q&A	12.00-12.30
LUNCH	12.30-13.30
PAHO Tool for the Development of a National Plan to defeat Meningitis by 2030 <u>Dr. Maria Tereza Da Costa</u> Consultant on Comprehensive Immunization, CIM/ PAHO	13.30-14.00
Working Groups 1: Where do Caribbean countries currently stand on the meningitis roadmap? What are the elements that are currently in place for each pillar? What are the gaps in building more comprehensive plans? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pillar 1 Prevention epidemic control • Pillar 2 Diagnostic and treatment management • Pillar 3 Disease Surveillance • Pillar 4 Support and Care for people affected by meningitis • Pillar 5 Advocacy and Engagement 	14.00-15.30
Plenary	15.30-16.00
COFFEE BREAK	16.00-16.15



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<p>Presentation of the WHO's Guidelines on meningitis diagnosis, treatment and care</p> <p><u>Dr. Nicoline Schiess</u> Technical officer, Brain Health Unit, Department of Mental Health, Brain Health and Substance Use, WHO</p>	16.15-16.30
<p>Working Groups 2:</p> <p><i>Pillar 2 Diagnostic and treatment of meningitis:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Challenges and Barriers in Meningitis diagnosis and treatment in the Caribbean 2. Strategies for optimizing diagnosis and treatment pathways 	16.30-17.30
<p>Closing of the day</p> <p><u>Dr. Claudina Cayetano</u> Regional Advisor, Mental Health and Substance Use, PAHO</p>	17.30

Tuesday, November 19th

Master of Ceremony: Dr. Angel Rodriguez,

ACTIVITY	TIMETABLE
<p>Welcome and summary of day p1</p> <p><u>Katya Fernandez</u> Technical Officer, High Impact Epidemics Unit, Health Emergency Interventions Department, WHO</p>	8.15-8.30
<p>Questionnaire on Patient Access to Lumbar Puncture for Meningitis Diagnosis</p> <p><u>Dr. Angel Rodriguez</u> Regional Advisor, Clinical Management of Infectious Hazards, PAHO</p>	08.30-9.10
<p>Plenary session: Working Groups 2 on Pillar II</p>	9.10-9.50
<p>WHO Approach to integrate sequalae surveillance</p> <p><u>Dr. Nicoline Schiess</u> <u>Technical Officer, Brain Health Unit, Mental Health, Brain Health and Substance Use</u></p> <p><u>Katya Fernandez</u> Technical Officer, High Impact Epidemics Unit, Health Emergency Interventions Department, WHO</p>	9.50-10.10



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COFFEE BREAK	10.10-10.30
Working Groups 3 <i>Pilar 4 Support and Care for people affected by meningitis</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Challenges and barriers for the identification and diagnosis of sequelae and rehabilitation Key strategies that countries can adopt for reducing the impact of sequelae on persons, families and communities 	10.30-11.30
Plenary	11.30-12.30
LUNCH	12.30-13.30
Video tutorial on SPDI tool/UHC compendium <u>Dr. Parisa Sadeghian</u> Consultant, WHO	13.30-13.50
Presentation of Results of the pre-workshop activity <u>Dr. Claudina Cayetano</u> Regional Advisor, Mental Health, PAHO	13.50-14.10
Working Groups 4: <i>Strategies for advancing implementation at the National and Inter-Country levels</i>	14.10 – 15.10
COFFEE BREAK	15.10-15.30
Plenary	15.30-16.00
Presentation of PAHO's Support for the next steps and Closing of the Day	16.00-16.30

Wednesday, November 20th

Master of Ceremony: Dr. Claudina Cayetano, Regional Advisor, Mental Health and Substance Use, PAHO

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Welcome and brief summary from Day 2 <u>Antoine Durupt</u> Project Manager, Defeating Meningitis by 2030, WHO	8.30-9.15
Introduction and presentation of IGAP <u>Dr. Tarun Dua</u>	9.15-9.45



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Burden of Neurological Conditions in the Americas <u>Dr. Francisco Varela</u> Consultant on Neurology, PAHO	9.45-10.15
COFFEE BREAK	10.15-10.45
Q&A	10.45-11.45
PAHO Progress on IGAP <u>Dr. Claudina Cayetano</u> Regional Advisor, Mental Health and Substance Use, PAHO	11.45-12.00
LUNCH	12.00-13.00
Working Groups 5: <i>Treatment gap, barriers to access to medicines and technology for neurological disorders</i>	13.00-14.00
Plenary	14.00-14.30
Toolkit to improve care and medication access for neurological disorders <u>Dr. Nicoline Schiess</u> Technical officer, Brain Health Unit, Department of Mental Health, Brain Health and Substance Use, WHO	14.30-15.00
Working Groups 6: <i>Key barriers to implementation and achievement of the IGAP targets</i>	15.00-15.40
Workshop summary <u>Nicoline Schiess</u> Technical Officer, Brain Health, WHO <u>Antoine Durupt</u> Project Manager, Defeating Meningitis by 2030, WHO <u>Angel Rodriguez</u> Regional Advisor, Clinical Management of Infectious Hazards, PAHO <u>Francisco Varela</u> Consultant on Neurology, PAHO	15.40-15.55
Closing remarks <u>Dr. Renato Oliveira e Souza</u> Unit Chief, Mental Health and Substance Use, PAHO	15.55-16.15