



WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

***4th Meeting of the WHO Global Task Force
on TB Impact Measurement
Geneva, 17-18 March 2010
Building D - 4th Floor, Room HTM65***

AGENDA

Objectives

1. To review progress made by the Task Force since September 2008, both overall and for each of the three major strategic areas of work (surveillance, surveys, methods).
2. To present and discuss progress in applying the Task Force framework for systematic assessment of TB surveillance data, and to define next steps with particular attention to the standards to be reached for direct measurement of disease burden using surveillance data.
3. To present and discuss progress in design, implementation and analysis of surveys of the prevalence of TB disease and to define next steps, with particular attention to current challenges in survey implementation and how to address them, results from recent surveys, and updating of the 2007 guidelines.
4. To present and discuss proposed updates to methods for estimating TB disease burden following an 18-month review process, and their implementation in the context of WHO global reports and the Global Burden of Disease study.
5. To give each of the three Task Force subgroups an opportunity to discuss their plan of work for the next 12 months and to share this with the full Task Force.

Expected Outcomes

1. The Task Force is fully informed about progress made since September 2008, both overall and for each of the three strategic areas of work.
2. Recommendations to strengthen and expand practical application and use of the Task Force framework for assessment of surveillance data, with particular attention to the standards required for direct measurement of disease burden using surveillance data.
3. Recommendations on how to address current bottlenecks to implementation of prevalence surveys, development of updated guidelines and agreement on the roles and responsibilities of lead technical agencies
4. Agreement on how methods for estimating TB disease burden should be updated and used in the context of WHO global reports and the Global Burden of Disease study.
5. Clear workplan for the Task Force's three strategic areas of work for the next year.

DAY 1: Wednesday 17 March 2010

Time	Topic	Presenter
08.30 - 09:00	Registration	
09:00 - 09:15	Welcome and introduction of participants Declaration of conflict of interest	Jaap Broekmans (Chair)
09:15 - 09:30	Meeting objectives and expected outcomes Review and adoption of agenda	Katherine Floyd (WHO) Jaap Broekmans (Chair)
Objective 1: Overview of Task Force progress since September 2008		
09:30 - 10:00	<u>Presentation</u> : Overview of Task Force progress: main achievements, challenges, current priorities and next steps (Background paper #1)	Ana Bierrenbach (WHO)
10:00 - 10.15 Coffee break		
Objective 2: Task Force framework for assessment of surveillance data: progress to date and next steps		
10:15 - 11:30	<u>Presentation</u> : Application of the Task Force framework for assessment of surveillance data via WHO regional workshops and country missions: <i>progress to date, challenges faced and lessons learned, proposed next steps</i> (Background paper #2)	Ana Bierrenbach (WHO)
11:30- 12:00	<u>Presentation</u> : Assessment of data quality and strengthening of monitoring and evaluation systems: current tools and approach used to date by the Global Fund and how they relate to the Task Force framework, <i>with country examples</i> (Background paper #3)	John Puvimanasinghe (The Global Fund)
12:00 - 12:20	<u>Presentation</u> : Development of a harmonized approach to assessment of TB surveillance data and strengthening monitoring and evaluation systems: recent joint efforts and next steps planned by the Global Fund and WHO (Background paper #4)	Eddie Addai (The Global Fund)
12:20 - 13:00	<u>Presentation</u> : Assessing the quality and coverage of surveillance data in the UK: how is it done and how can HPA help to develop the Task Force framework for assessment of surveillance data, particularly the standards/process required for certification/accreditation and definition of the role of capture-recapture studies? (Background paper #5)	Ibrahim Abubakar (HPA)
13.00 - 14.00 Lunch		
14:00 - 14.30	<u>Presentation</u> : Application of the Task Force framework in the European context: How can ECDC and experience from European countries help to strengthen and expand use of the Task Force framework for assessment of surveillance data, including development of the standards/process required for certification/accreditation?	Davide Manissero (ECDC)
14:30 - 15:30	<u>Discussion</u> How to strengthen and expand use of the Task Force framework including development of a certification process?	All
15.30 - 15.45 Tea Break		
Objective 3: Prevalence surveys in 21(+) global focus countries		
15:45 - 17:30	<u>Presentation</u> : Overview of progress in implementation of prevalence surveys in the 21 global focus countries: achievements, challenges, next steps (Background paper #6)	Ikushi Onozaki (WHO)

DAY 2: Thursday 18 March 2010

Time	Topic	Presenter
Objective 3: Prevalence surveys in 21(+) global focus countries		
09:00 - 09:15	Summary of main discussion/outcomes from Day 1	Jaap Broekmans
09:15 - 09:45	<u>Presentation</u> : Lessons learnt and policy implications from recently completed TB disease prevalence surveys and their interpretation - Vietnam (Background paper #7)	Binh Hoa (NTP Viet Nam)
09:45 - 10:05	<u>Presentation</u> : Second edition of the "Red book": Rationale, and proposed outline and authors (Background paper #8)	Babis Sismanidis (WHO)
10:05 - 10:45	<u>Discussion</u>	All
10.45 - 11.00 Coffee Break		
Objective 4: Updates to methods and their implementation in WHO reports and the GBD study		
11:00 - 11.45	<u>Presentation</u> : Proposed updates to methods for estimating TB disease burden following an 18-month review process by Task Force subgroup, and next steps including their use in TB burden estimates required for the Global Burden of Disease study (Background paper #9)	Philippe Glaziou (WHO) Marieke van der Werf (KNCV)
11:45 - 12.15	<u>Presentation</u> : Estimating the burden of TB by age and sex: availability of data, gaps and next steps (Background paper #10)	Ana Bierrenbach (WHO)
12:15 - 13:00	<u>Discussion</u>	All
13.00 - 14.00 Lunch		
14:00 - 14:30	Continued from above (if necessary)	
Objective 5: Plan of work for the next 12 months		
14:30 - 16:00	<u>Group work</u> : Separate meetings in two subgroups: (1) surveillance/estimates and (2) prevalence surveys (<i>Tea break to be taken during this time, refreshments available at 15.30</i>)	All in two separate groups
16:00 - 17:00	Report back from the leaders of each subgroup, highlighting priorities and related work to be done during the next 12 months	Ikushi Onozaki Philippe Glaziou/ Ana Bierrenbach
17:00 - 17:30	Meeting outcomes and concluding remarks	Jaap Broekmans (Chair) Katherine Floyd (WHO)