

WHO BARCELONA COURSE ON HEALTH SYSTEMS STRENGTHENING FOR IMPROVED TB PREVENTION AND CARE

16-20 October 2017, Barcelona, Spain



Course announcement

We are pleased to announce the second WHO Barcelona Course on Health Systems Strengthening for Improved TB Prevention and Care to be held in Barcelona, Spain from 16 to 20 October 2017. This five-day training program is offered by the WHO Regional Office for Europe through its Barcelona Office for Health Systems Strengthening of the Division of Health Systems and Public Health in collaboration with the Division of Communicable Diseases, Health Security and Environment. This training programme aims to support transformation of how TB services are financed and delivered in the European Region. This second edition of the course supports the implementation of the Tuberculosis Regional Eastern European and Central Asian Project (TB-REP) financed by the Global Fund.

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The course covers a wide range of health system functions from service delivery, through financing, to governance including change management, which are addressed in an integrative, whole-system framework with emphasis on system diagnostics and alignment of policy tools. Combining theory and practice, the course consists of 5 modules spread over 5 days:

- 1. Analyzing and diagnosing health system performance;
- 2. Improving service delivery and people-centred TB prevention and care;
- 3. Health system financing with a focus on TB prevention and care;
- 4. Improving governance and management of change for better implementation;
- 5. Course long exercise on own country.

Target group and priority countries-



The primary target group of the course includes national TB-REP focal points and members of national working group on TB-REP in particular decision makers, senior officials and high-level health system administrators from ministries of health and finance, managers of national TB programs, health insurance funds and managers of service delivery organizations, experts and leaders, who are playing key roles in the implementation of health system reforms related to TB prevention and care. Priority is given to applicants from the 11 TB-REP countries: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan. Limited number of places will be available for experts from international organizations supporting TB-REP countries.

Core team of trainers and module leaders

Professor Rifat Atun, Lead Faculty, Professor of Global Health Systems, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, Harvard University

Tamás Evetovits, Course Director, Head of WHO Barcelona Office for Health Systems Strengthening, Division of Health Systems and Public Health, WHO/Europe

Nick Goodwin, CEO, International Foundation for Integrated Care

Hans Kluge, Director, Division of Health Systems and Public Health, WHO/Europe

Alexandre Lourenço, President of the Portuguese Association of Hospital Managers, Coimbra Hospital and University Centre, Nova School of Business and Economics

Ihor Perehinets, Technical Adviser, Division of Health Systems and Public Health, WHO/Europe

Szabolcs Szigeti, Module Leader, Health System Policy Officer, WHO Country Office in Hungary, Division of Health Systems and Public Health, WHO/Europe

Juan Tello, Head of WHO European Centre for Primary Health Care in Almaty, Division of Health Systems and Public Health, WHO/Europe

Martin van den Boom, Module Leader, Technical Officer, Joint Tuberculosis, HIV/AIDS & Hepatitis Programme, Division of Communicable Diseases and Health Security, WHO/Europe

In addition to the core team of trainers and module leaders, invited experts and facilitators will contribute to the delivery of the course.

-Cost of participation

There is no tuition fee for this course. Course materials, coffee breaks and lunch during the days of the training will be provided. Participants (or their funding agency) will be responsible to arrange and cover the costs of travel, accommodation and subsistence while in Barcelona. A list of hotels close to the venue will be offered.

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Accepted applicants are responsible for obtaining a visa to enter Spain. WHO will provide formal invitations and visa support letters. Please note that obtaining a visa may take several weeks, therefore early application is advised.



The course will be held in Casa de Convalescència, a splendid example of late modernist architecture. Originally, the building was designed for and used as a hospital facility. Since 1969, it belongs to the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona and has been the host of many high profile academic and international training events.

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