

SIGN Global injection safety and infection prevention and control meeting

Hanoi, Viet Nam

14-16 November 2005

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Objectives of the meeting:

1. Exchange information regarding global progress towards the safe and appropriate use of injections worldwide;
2. Review progress of the various injection safety country projects;
3. Review progress of the health care worker protection including the three WHO needlestick prevention projects;
4. Review global progress in infection prevention and control activities.

Expected outcomes:

1. Updated strategic agenda for the SIGN network;
2. Recommendations for the continuation of the injection safety projects;
3. Update of the WHO needlestick prevention projects;
4. Update of infection prevention and control activities.

Since there are many presentations at this meeting, the agenda is tight and timing will be strictly enforced. All 15-min time slots are meant to be allocated as 10 min for presentation and 5 min for questions. PowerPoint slide sets for 10 min presentations should not contain more than 10 to 12 slides. Given the multidisciplinary nature of the conference, details are irrelevant and cannot be provided. Preference must be given to high-level outlines that can be complemented by an electronic hand-out.

Day 1- 14 November 2005

Time	Title	Presenter
8:00-9:00	Registration	
<i>Opening session</i>		
9:00-9:30	Welcome remarks	TBA, MoH Pr Hai, NIOEH
	Opening address	WR Viet Nam
<i>Progress Report</i>		
9:30-9:45	Progress on injection safety since 2004	Neelam Dhingra, WHO
9:45-10:00	WHO Report on Immunization Safety Priority Project (ISPP)	Dina Pfeifer, WHO
<i>Scaled up initiatives</i>		
10:00-10:15	Viet Nam: From a national injection safety assessment to policy changes	TBA
10.15- 10.30	Mongolia: From a national injection safety assessment to policy changes	Gochoo Soyolgerel, MoH
10:30-10:45	Cambodia: Injection safety activities	Chen Mean, consultant
10:45-11:15	Break	
<i>Innovative approaches in assessment, implementation and monitoring</i>		
11:15-11:30	Role of Drug and Therapeutic Committees in promoting rational use of injections	Sophie Logez, WHO
11:30-11:45	Surveillance in HIV/AIDS	Asamoah-Odei, Emil Jones WHO/AFRO
11:45-12:00	Transmission of hepatitis B and hepatitis C in healthcare settings in the USA	Joe Perz, DVH/CDC
12:00-12:15	Healthcare associated infections: health and economic implications	Gerald Dziekan, WPRO
12:15 -14:00	Lunch	
<i>Afternoon: Reviewing progress in African injection safety projects</i>		
14.00-14.15	Update on the US Government Emergency Plan for AIDS relief and Injection Safety	Glen Post, USAID
14.30-16.00	Update of the "Making Medical Injections Safer (MMIS) Project"	Jules Millogo, JSI
	Injection safety project in:	
	Côte d'Ivoire	TBA, MoH
	Ethiopia	TBA, MoH
	Nigeria	TBA, MoH
	Rwanda	TBA, MoH
14.15-14:30	SIGN: some insights from inception to implementation	Robert Chen, CDC
16.00-16.30	Break	
16:30 -16:45	Update on injection safety project in Namibia	L. Nisbet, N Forster, URC-CHS
16:45-17:00	Innovations in improving quality of care in a low resource setting	Martha Ndhlovu, JHPIEGO, Kuhu Maitra, Chemonics
17.00- 17:15	Results of the study on risk factors for HIV infection among children in the Free State, South Africa	Shaheen Mehtar, SUN
17:15-18:00	Group discussion: What lessons for scaled up approaches?	

- Satellite event organized by IASIT

Day 2- 15 November 2005

Time	Title	Presenter
<i>Morning: Health care worker protection and occupational exposures to bloodborne pathogens</i>		
9:00-9:30	WHO-ICN project on health care worker protection	Susan Wilburn, ICN
9:30-9:45	Health care worker protection project in Viet Nam	TBA, NIOEH
9:45 -10:00	Report on the ILO/WHO Expert Meeting on Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP)	Benjamin Ali, ILO
10:00-10:15	Establishment of a network to promote health care worker safety (SafeHandS)	Philip Melling, NSW ICRC
10:15- 10:45	<i>Break</i>	
10:45-12:00	Group discussion	
12:00 -14:00	<i>Lunch</i>	

<i>Afternoon: Integrated infection prevention and control strategies</i>		
14:00-14:30	WHO blood safety programme in Western Pacific Region	Yu Junping, WPRO
14:30-14:45	International policies to prevent infections with bloodborne pathogens in dental offices	Habib Benzian, FDI
14:45-15:00	Infection control practices in dental offices in the Free State, South Africa	Shaheen Mehtar, SUN
15:00-15:15	Innovation and inventiveness in utilizing and reallocating limited resources for infection prevention and control: A case study in far northwest China	Peta- Anne Zimmerman, PRC
15:15-15:30	Update on infection prevention and control and injection safety activities in countries of the WHO Regional Office for Africa	Evelyn Isaacs, WHO/AFRO
15:30-16:00	Group discussion	
16:00-16:30	<i>Break</i>	
16:30-16:45	The launch of the Global Patient Safety Challenge	Julie Storr, WHO
16.45- 17.00	Distance learning curricula on injection safety in immunization programme	Alfred Da Silva, AMP
17:00-18:00	Group discussion	

- **Day 3- 16 November 2005**

Time	Title	Presenter
<i>Morning: Quality and access to injection devices</i>		
8:30-8.45	WHO pre-qualification for injection devices: update on the Performance Quality and Safety (PQS) system and policy statement on RPF injection devices	Paul Mallins, WHO
8:45-9:00	Results of study on injection devices with reuse prevention feature (RPF) in Karachi	Mubina Agboatwalla, HOPE
9:00- 9:15	Presentation of disposable cartridge jet injectors for immunization	Darin Zehrung, PATH
9:15- 9:30	Group discussion	
9:30 -10.00	<i>Break</i>	
<i>Health care waste management(HCWM)</i>		
10:00-10:15	Health Care Waste Management programme in a South American country	Paulo Froes, UNICEF
10.15-10.30	HCWM project at the district level in Viet Nam	TBA
10.30- 10:45	Pilot project on needle removing and plastic recycling in Ukraine	Eric Laurent, WHO
10:45-11:00	Medical waste management for Primary Health Facilities (PHF) in Indonesia	Anton Widjaya, PATH
11:00-11:15	Experience from HCWM project in Samsun, Turkey	Ute Pieper, ETLog Health
11.15-12.15	Group Discussion	
12.15- 13.00	Recommendations	
13:00-13:15	<i>Closure session</i>	

- Following the closure of the meeting, a special session on health care waste management is organized as a satellite meeting, from 14.30 to 16.30