

CAPACITY BUILDING IN TB CONTROL - TRAINING COURSE ON TUBERCULOSIS INFECTION CONTROL

Murmansk, Russian Federation

13-17 September 2011

Organised by

Filha (Finnish Lung Health Association) in collaboration with Murmansk Region TB Dispensary, under the auspices of Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Finland and Murmansk Region Ministry of Health, and with the support of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Atlanta, Saint-Petersburg Research Institute of Tuberculosis and Lung Diseases and WHO, Moscow.

Background

The increasing burden of drug-resistant TB, including MDR and XDR-TB, as well as the impact of HIV-infection have highlighted the importance of infection control (IC) in health care and congregate settings. There is a need to focus attention on the implementation of adequate TB-IC measures, especially, in settings with a high risk for TB transmission, to take into account the vulnerability of HIV-infected or other immunocompromised patients present in health care and congregate settings and to strengthen competence in TB-IC at regional and facility levels.

This interregional course is intended to complement local training. The concept of the course has been developed based on the experiences drawn from courses that CDC and Filha have previously organised in Russia and elsewhere and from the practical implementation of TB-IC in the Murmansk TB programme.

Objectives

The goal of the training is to improve the technical capacity to assess, plan, implement and evaluate TB-IC measures in health facilities and subsequently to strengthen regional TB control programs. The course covers both conceptual and practical aspects of TB-IC. It has a practical approach and focuses on problems encountered in civil and penitentiary TB care facilities but addresses also questions related to TB-IC in HIV/AIDS and other services.

The course will be conducted through lectures, demonstrations, classroom exercises and field exercises in TB wards, in a laboratory and at an outpatient clinic. During field exercises participants will work in smaller groups.

Expected outcomes

After completion of the course, participants will have an understanding of the principles underlying TB-IC strategy. They will also have acquired basic skills to perform a health facility TB-IC assessment, to develop a plan for interventions, to perform some technical measurements and to evaluate the implementation of TB-IC control measures.

Dates

13-17 September 2011 (arrival at Murmansk 12 September and departure 17/18 September)

Target group

The course is aimed at physicians, registered nurses and technical (IC equipment maintenance, ventilation) staff involved in TB control activities from civil and penitentiary settings, HIV/AIDS services and general health care, as well as staff involved in regional infection control planning and implementation or training of health professionals. The course

is mainly targeted at Russian health care workers but participants from other countries may also apply. Approximately 25 participants will be accepted on the course.

Course Venue

The course will be held in a conference room at Hotel Meridian in Murmansk, Russian Federation (183038 Murmansk, Vorovskogo Str., 5/23) and field exercises will be conducted in the facilities of Murmansk Region TB Dispensary.

Materials

The course materials (in Russian language) include sanitary and epidemiological norms for TB hospitals, other materials provided by CDC and Filha and WHO policy and guidelines on infection control. Handouts of lectures will be provided.

Language and faculty

The working language of the course will be Russian with interpretation from English. The faculty is composed of highly experienced staff coming from USA, Finland and Russia.

Course fee

A nominal course fee of 2700 roubles per participant will be charged. The fee entitles the participant to the training programme, course materials, lunches, refreshments during breaks, the course dinner, and transportation during field visits. The fee must be paid at the registration on the first course day.

The organisation sending the participant will have to pay for the accommodation for 12-17/18 September 2011 (depending on the date of departure) and the travel costs to and from Murmansk. A letter of guarantee from the organisation will be required. Accommodation is arranged in Hotel Meridian (single room with shared bathroom, rate 3200 RUR per person per night, breakfast included.) Small changes in hotel rates are possible.

Please send the enclosed confirmation of your participation **latest by 1st August, 2011** to Dr Svetlana Presnova, Murmansk Region TB Dispensary, 183034 Murmansk, ul. Lobova 12, e-mail: [moptd\(at\)mail.ru](mailto:moptd(at)mail.ru), fax: +(7 8152) 69-12-09.

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Annexes

Course programme at a glance
Application form