



IAS 2019 Satellite Session

22 July 2019

Strategies Towards Integrating Point-Of-Care Testing Quality Assurance into Existing Quality Assurance Programs in Africa

**Venue: Casa del Diezmo 3 y 4 (SR6), Centro Citibanamex
Mexico City (refreshments will be provided)**

Time: 07:00-08:30h

Success of disease control programs depends largely, amongst other things, on the accuracy and reliability of diagnostic testing. Compared to testing in traditional laboratory settings, testing performed outside of centralized laboratories with point of care (POC) technology introduces an array of new challenges. This satellite session seeks to create awareness and outline key elements to consider for the integration of POC testing such as those using automated closed systems into national QA programs.

Session Chair – Dr Trevor Peter - CHAI



Opening Remarks

*Dr Hugues Lago – WHO
Nqobile Ndlovu- ASLM
07:00 am – 07:10 am*

Introduction on Point-of-Care Testing Quality Assurance

*Dr Fausta Mosha – WHO
07:10 am – 07:20 am*

Routine remote monitoring using instrument connectivity

*Chishamiso Mudenyanza – CHAI
07:20 am – 07:30 am*

EQA - PT use through a regional coordinated body

*Dr Hugues Lago - WHO
07:30 am – 07:40 am*

Field Experiences of On-site monitoring visits for POC testing sites

*Dr Raiva Simbi – Zimbabwe
07:40 am – 07:50 am*

Decade of field experience with TB GeneXpert

*Dr Jean Iragena - WHO
07:50 am – 08:00 am*

Training and certification for POC sites and testers

*Anafi Mataka - ASLM
08:10 am – 08:10 am*

Question & Answer

08:10 am – 08:25 am

Closing Remarks

*Smiljka de Lussigny – Unitaaid
08:25 am – 08:30 am*

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