



FRIDAY, November 22

10:30 Registration Open

12:00 Welcome Lunch

Opening Session

Chairs: Jordan Feld and Margaret Hellard

13:00 **Opening of the Meeting**

Jordan Feld, MD, MPH

Toronto Centre for Liver Disease / University Health Network, Canada

Margaret Hellard, MBBS, FRACP, FAFPHM, PhD

Burnet Institute, Australia

13:10 **Needs Assessment**

13:20 **Introduction of Simplification**

Jordan Feld, MD, MPH

Toronto Centre for Liver Disease / University Health Network, Canada

13:35 **WHA / Community Perspective on the Need for Simplification**

Michael Ninburg

Hepatitis Education Project, USA

13:50 **WHO / Perspective on the Simplification Strategies**

Philippa Easterbrook, MD

World Health Organization, Switzerland

Session 1 Prevention

Chair: John Ward

14:15 **Introductory Lecture**

John Ward, MD

U.S. Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, USA

14:40 **Canada's Experience with Needle Exchange Programs**

Mark Tyndall, MD, ScD, FRCPC

University of British Columbia, Canada

15:00 **Panel Discussion**

15:30 Refreshment Break & Poster Viewing 1

Session 2 Monitoring and Testing

Chair: Manal El-Sayed

- 16:15 **Introductory Lecture**
Manal El-Sayed, MD, PhD
Ain Shams University, Egypt
- 16:30 **Egypt's Experience with Mass Monitoring and Testing Program**
Manal El-Sayed, MD, PhD
Ain Shams University, Egypt
- 16:45 **Uganda's Experience**
Kenneth Kabagambe
National Organization for People Living with Hepatitis B, Uganda
- 17:00 **Panel Discussion**

Abstract-driven Presentations

- 17:30 **Use of the HBV Viral Load Medical Prescription as a Preliminary Assessment of HBV Infection Burden in New Caledonia: a 2014-2019 Retrospective Study** #2
P. Dény
- 17:35 **Overview of the National Hepatitis B Viral Load Testing Programme in Uganda** #3
V. Kasone
- 17:40 **Alabama's HCV Linkage and Retention in Care Outcomes in Community Settings** #5
A. Lee
- 17:45 **Mortality from Liver Diseases Associated with Hepatitis B and C in the EU/EEA – Descriptive Analysis and Estimation of 2015 Baseline** #6
O. Mårdh
- 17:50 **The Uptake of an Innovative Approach to Reduce HCV Transmission among MSM: the NoMoreC Project** #7
T. Prinsenbergh
- 17:55 **Emergency Department Screening: Strategy for Elimination through an Innovative HBV and HCV Screening, Care, and Cure Program** #8
S. Wang
- 18:00 Discussion

18:15 Welcome Reception & Poster Viewing 2

19:30 Networking Dinner (pre-registration required)





SATURDAY, November 23

8:00 Morning Coffee

Session 3 Model for Care - Focus on HBV

Chair: Jordan Feld

- 08:30 **Introductory Lecture**
Jordan Feld, MD, MPH
 Toronto Centre for Liver Disease / University Health Network, Canada
- 08:45 **Rwanda's Model for Care**
Jean Damascene Makuza, MD
 Rwanda Biomedical Center, Rwanda
- 09:00 **Ethiopia's Model for Care**
Hailemichael Desalegn, MD
 St. Paul's Hospital Millennium Medical College, Ethiopia
- 09:15 **Panel Discussion**

Abstract-driven Presentations

- 09:45 **Changes of the Composition of the Hepatitis B Virus (HBV) surface Antigen (HBsAg) are Associated with HBsAg Loss during Nucleos(tide) Analogues and Peg-interferon-alfa2a Treatment** #9
 M. Pfefferkorn
- 09:50 **Enhancing the Hepatitis B Care Cascade in Australia: a Cost-Effectiveness Model** #10
 M. Hellard
- 09:55 Discussion

10:00 Refreshment Break & Poster Viewing 3

Session 4 Model for Care - Focus on HCV

Chair: Margaret Hellard

- 10:45 **Introductory Lecture**
Margaret Hellard, MBBS, FRACP, FAFPHM, PhD
 Burnet Institute, Australia
- 10:55 **Mongolia's Model for Care**
Naranjargal J. Dashdorj, MD, PhD
 Onom Foundation, Mongolia
- 11:05 **India's Model for Care**
Sunil Solomon, MBBS, MPH, PhD
 Johns Hopkins Medicine, USA
- 11:15 **Pakistan's Model for Care**
Huma Qureshi, MD
 Pakistan Health Research Council, Pakistan
- 11:25 **Panel Discussion - Key Controversies**

Abstract-driven Presentations

- 11:55 **Evaluation of the Hepatitis C Care Cascade in the Country of Georgia: Monitoring Progress towards Elimination** #11
 T. Tsertsvadze
- 12:00 **Strategies towards Elimination of Hepatitis C in Iceland: Models of Care for the Treatment as Prevention for Hepatitis C (TraP HeP C) Program** #12
 M. Gottfredsson



- 12:05 **Micro-Elimination of Hepatitis C amongst People Living with HIV (PLHIV) in Punjab, India** #13
P. Katapur
- 12:10 **Integration of Hepatitis C Treatment Services with Harm Reduction Service Centers for People who Inject Drugs in Kenya: Experience from Test and Link to Care for Injecting Drug Users Study** #15
M. Nyakowa
- 12:15 **Finding the Missing Millions: Lessons Learned from Community Outreach Program in Rural Communities** #16
G. Shiha
- 12:20 **Towards the Elimination of HCV in British Columbia: A strategy to Address the “messy middle”** #17
B. Conway
- 12:25 Discussion

12:40 Lunch

Abstract-driven Presentations

- 13:40 **Real-World Challenges to and Opportunities for Microelimination in Two Remote Communities in Northwestern Ontario** #18
D. Smookler
- 13:45 **Policy Implementation Index Based off of Patient Reported Outcomes: The Hep-CORE Study** #19
A. Palayew
- 13:50 **Hepatitis C Elimination in the Netherlands (CELINE): a Nationwide Study Retrieving Lost to Follow-Up Chronic Hepatitis C Patients** #21
M. Van Dijk
- 13:55 **Oral Prescription Opioid Use should be Considered a Risk Factor for HCV Infection: Another Step Toward HCV Elimination** #22
B. Hack
- 14:00 Discussion

Session 5 Innovations for Simplification - Panel Discussion

14:15 **Faculty:**

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15:35 Closing Remarks

15:45 End of the Workshop

