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| Unsuccessful Xpert® MTB/RIF results: the Nigerian experience | Abstract | The key challenge affecting performance was poor adherence to standard operating procedures. Periodic refresher training courses, regular supervision, and preventive maintenance of Xpert machines and proper storage of cartridges are strategies that could improve Xpert performance. | Public Health Journal March 2018 | <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5858060/> |
| Can sensitizing health care workers and directory of TB services increase TB case notification? Experience from Nigeria:  | Abstract | Sustained capacity building of healthcare workers increase ability to effectively screen, identify and refer presumptive TB to nearest service delivery sites thereby improving TB case notification. State TB programs should periodically update and distribute directory of TB services to ensure appropriate and complete referrals  | Int. Journal of Tuberculosis and Lung Disease, Vol. 21 No 11, November 2017, Supplement 2, ISSN 1027 3719 | <https://www.abstractserver.com/TheUnion2018/TheUnion2018_Abstracts_Web.pdf>  |
| A Descriptive Survey Of Time To Treatment Initiation Of Diagnosed Multi Drug Resistant TB (MDR-TB) Patients In Akwa Ibom State | Abstract | It is important for the National Policy on the Programmatic Management of Drug Resistant Tuberculosis to set benchmarks for time to treatment to assist the health system to follow a minimum time allowed | 48th Union Conference  | <https://www.abstractserver.com/TheUnion2018/TheUnion2018_Abstracts_Web.pdf> |
| Use of N95 respirators amongst health workers in Akwa Ibom and Kano State | Abstract | This assessment has shown that the general knowledge of health workers concerning N95 respirator is poor. Also the usage adherence is sub-standard as there is no mechanism in place to ensure proper adherence to infection control measures.  | 49th Union Conference | <https://www.abstractserver.com/TheUnion2018/TheUnion2018_Abstracts_Web.pdf>  |
| Time to treatment initiation of DR-TB patients in three South Western states of Nigeria: a retrospective study  | Abstract | The median time to treatment initiation of DR-B patients was high. Efforts should be made to identify the causes and find lasting solution in order to avoid DR-TB epidemic in Nigeria. | 49th Union Conference | <https://www.abstractserver.com/TheUnion2018/TheUnion2018_Abstracts_Web.pdf> |
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| Exploring the barriers and facilitators to enrollment for free DR-TB treatment in Nigeria using the Access concept  | Abstract | The study highlighted the complexities that influence the uptake of free DRTB treatment. It is imperative to design context specific interventions to address these barriers in order to achieve effective TB control in Nigeria. | 49th Union Conference | <https://www.abstractserver.com/TheUnion2018/TheUnion2018_Abstracts_Web.pdf>  |
| Implementation of Genexpert MTB/RIF in a tertiary referral hospital: a retrospective evaluation of successful and unsuccessful outcome from Lagos, Nigeria  | Abstract | The results show that more of the errors are human related one (operator competency and insufficient sample volume) which means there is needs for on the job mentorship for Xpert operators to be able to process sputum samples following standard operating procedures. | 49th Union Conference | <https://www.abstractserver.com/TheUnion2018/TheUnion2018_Abstracts_Web.pdf> |
| Impact of the Patent Medicine Vendor Engagement drive on the Identification, Referral and Diagnosis of Presumptive TB Cases in a TB control Program | Abstract | While efforts aimed at prompt diagnosis of TB in communities must be strengthened, efforts at further engagement of community players such as Patent Medicine Vendors should be further encouraged for achievement of a TB-free Nigeria. | 49th Union Conference | <https://www.abstractserver.com/TheUnion2018/TheUnion2018_Abstracts_Web.pdf>  |
| Effect of Decentralization of Clinical and Programmatic Management of Drug Resistant Tuberculosis (PMDT) services on enrolment of Drug Resistant Tuberculosis (DR-TB) patients: Nigerian Experience (2013-2017) | E-poster | Decentralization of PMDT services into the community improved enrolment of patients into care. There is need to maximize the gains of community-based PMDT approach. | 49th Union Conference | <https://www.abstractserver.com/TheUnion2018/TheUnion2018_Abstracts_Web.pdf>  |
| Improving DR-TB treatment interim outcomes – lessons learnt from Nigeria | Abstract | Sustained coordination for sputum specimen transport and results retrieval systems during DR-TB treatment improves interim treatment outcomes. National and state TB programs should strengthen mentoring of HCWs and regularly monitor documentation of sputum culture results. | 49th Union Conference | <https://www.abstractserver.com/TheUnion2018/TheUnion2018_Abstracts_Web.pdf>  |
| Optimizing TB diagnosis and GeneXpert utilization using a courier for specimen transport in Akwa Ibom State, Nigeria - A two-year review | Abstract | The courier specimen transport service in Akwa Ibom has contributed significantly to the optimization of GeneXpert machines for TB diagnosis within 2 years of implementation. This intervention can be scaled up in similar resource settings where access to GeneXpert is limited to optimize use in TB diagnosis.  | 49th Union Conference | <https://www.abstractserver.com/TheUnion2018/TheUnion2018_Abstracts_Web.pdf>  |
| Ending the TB epidemic: role of active TB case finding using mobile units for early diagnosis of tuberculosis in Nigeria | E-poster | Active TB case finding using mobile units detects TB patients earlier than passive case finding. It is fundamental to halt TB transmission and reduce TB incidence in a high disease burden country as Nigeria. | 49th Union Conference | <https://www.abstractserver.com/TheUnion2018/TheUnion2018_Abstracts_Web.pdf> |
| Leaders wanted for a TB free World: Exploring prospects of community influencers for TB case finding in low reporting districts in Akwa Ibom State, Nigeria  | Abstract | Community influencers can help improve TB case finding in areas with low TB case notification. This intervention should be explored for scale up. | 49th Union Conference | <https://www.abstractserver.com/TheUnion2018/TheUnion2018_Abstracts_Web.pdf>  |
| Impact of active case finding of tuberculosis among prisoners using the WOW truck in North Central Nigeria | Abstract | TB screening and diagnosis remains a major challenge for prisons in Nigeria. The Wellness on Wheel (WoW) intervention can contribute immensely to closing this gap and providing support for TB surveillance systems in Nigerian prisons, while advocating for fortifying the prison health system itself. | 49th Union Conference | <https://www.abstractserver.com/TheUnion2018/TheUnion2018_Abstracts_Web.pdf>  |
| Innovation using ‘line listing’ with information communication technology for improving initiation of treatment in RR/MDR-TB patients: experience from Nigeria | Abstract | “Line listing” as a surveillance tool with effective GxAlert notification system linked to mobile phones has a huge potential to increase RR/MDR-TB initiation of treatment. | 49th Union Conference | <https://www.abstractserver.com/TheUnion2018/TheUnion2018_Abstracts_Web.pdf>  |
| Successful decentralization of DR-TB care through capacity building of DR-TB teams in Nigeria | Abstract | Decentralized DR-TB teams is an effective approach for DR-TB careCapacity of DR-TB teams should be sustained through periodic mentoring and supportive supervision visits to trained HCWs at decentralized DR-TB OPD clinics | 49th Union Conference | <https://www.abstractserver.com/TheUnion2018/TheUnion2018_Abstracts_Web.pdf> |
| The impact of Patent Medicine Vendors in increasing case detection among hard-to-reach dwellers in selected districts in Nasarawa state, Nigeria. | Abstract | PMV/CP engagement can help improve TB case finding in areas with low TB case notification. This intervention should be explored for scale up. | 50th Union Conference | https://hyderabad.worldlunghealth.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Hyderabad\_Programme.pdf |
| Effectiveness of Referral Coordinators in Bridging Human Resource Gap for Active Tuberculosis Case Finding in Osun State, Nigeria | Abstract | Use of facility referral coordinators can help improve TB case finding in areas with low TB case notification. This intervention should be explored for scale up. | 50th Union Conference | https://hyderabad.worldlunghealth.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Hyderabad\_Programme.pdf |
| Gastric aspiration for GeneXpert assay; an opportunity for diagnosis of Rifampicin resistant TB in children less than 5 years | Abstract | Gastric aspiration for GeneXpert assay led to increased opportunity for diagnosis of Rifampicin resistant TB in children less than 5 years | 50th Union Conference | https://hyderabad.worldlunghealth.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Hyderabad\_Programme.pdf |
| Improving effectiveness and efficiency of systematic screening of high-risk population using gender- and age-specific TB rates in Nigeria | Abstract | Active TB case finding using mobile units detects TB patients earlier than passive case finding. It is fundamental to halt TB transmission and reduce TB incidence in a high disease burden country as Nigeria. | 50th Union Conference | https://hyderabad.worldlunghealth.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Hyderabad\_Programme.pdf |
| Utility of CAD4TB in mobile surveillance vans in Nigeria fills necessary gap in national TB program | Abstract | TB screening and diagnosis remains a major challenge in hard to reach communities in Nigeria. The Wellness on Wheel (WoW) intervention can contribute immensely to closing this gap and providing support for TB surveillance systems in Nigerian, while advocating for fortifying the health system itself. | 50th Union Conference | https://hyderabad.worldlunghealth.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Hyderabad\_Programme.pdf |
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| Nigeria Wellness on Wheels Mobile TB Diagnostic Units: differences in CAD4TB and GeneXpert results by time of day screened, day of week, gender and region | Abstract | TB screening and diagnosis remains a major challenge in hard to reach communities in Nigeria. The Wellness on Wheel (WoW) intervention can contribute immensely to increasing TB case finding and providing support for TB surveillance systems in Nigeria. | 50th Union Conference | <https://hyderabad.worldlunghealth.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Hyderabad_Programme.pdf> |
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| Computational modeling of TB epidemiology in Nigerian urban slum environments | Abstract | <https://www.theunion.org/what-we-do/journals/ijtld/body/UNION_Abstract_Book_2016-Web.pdf> |
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