TB/HIV PRESENTATION

Critical issues in TB advocacy nd lessons t from HIV vocacy

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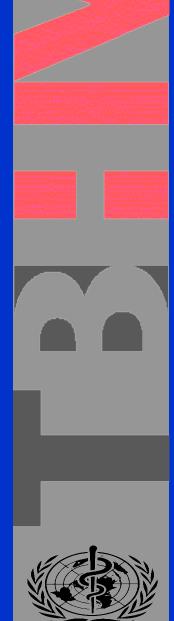
Basic Facts about TB.

- TB is a bacterial disease caused by mycobacterium Tubercle or also known as tubercle bacilli.
- Diagnosis is by acid-fast bacilli.
- When present bacilli look red.
- Bacilli can remain dormant in tissues for many years.



Transmission. Imagine this???

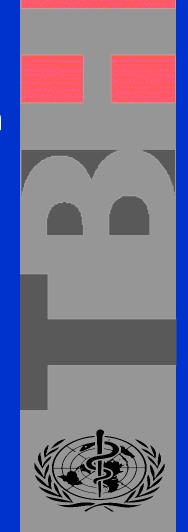






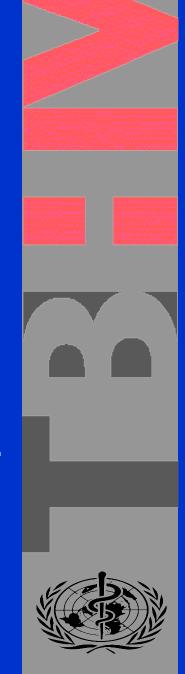
The burden of TB

- Tuberculosis disease has re-emerged as a major public health problem in the world.
- It is estimated that a third of the world population is infected with tubercle germ with eight (8) million people progressing to active tuberculosis disease.
- Each year 2 million die of the disease.
- The WHO reported that incidence of TB grew by 1% globally in the year 2003.
- In 2003 the African region witnessed a sharp rise in the incidence of TB which was attributed to the high HIV prevalence in this region



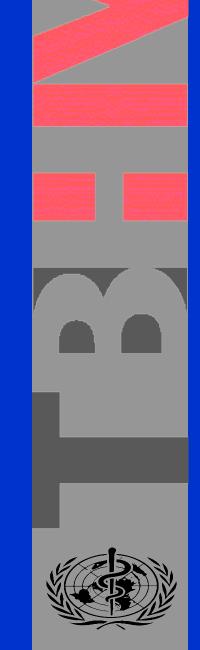
Deadly synergy

- 2 Billion people are currently infected with TB.
- 40 Million infected with HIV.
- 14 Million are TB/HIV Co-infected.
- TB which is the highest killer of PLWHA's can be successfully cured and prevented.
- 2.3 Million deaths a year from TB globally.



Epidemiology-TB/HIV Co-infection

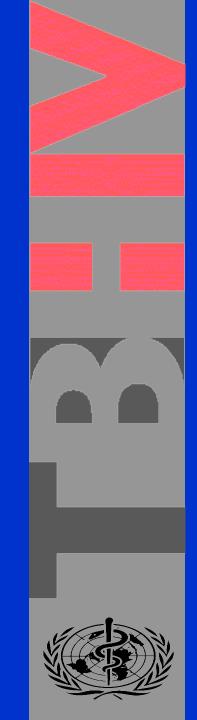
- By 2003, 70 % of TB HIV coinfections were in sub-Saharan Africa.
- 20% were in South East Asia.
- 4% in Latin America.
- 4% in Caribbean.



In other words.....

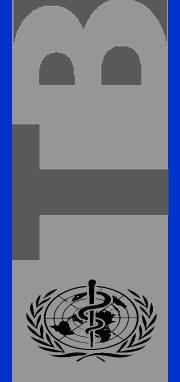


"Two Diseases, One Patient"



TB/HIV co-infection

- The 100 year old TB is now married to the young HIV and the honeymoon is causing lots of deaths.
- TB and HIV are the major killers in Africa today



HIV FUELS TB IN THREE WAYS

 Promotes progression to active TB disease

Reactivates latent TB infection

Increases rate of TB recurrence

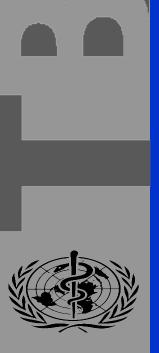


TB and HIV-the real situation

HIV

- Well funded (\$2.9bn)
- High Political commitment
- Advocacy from the 1980s
- HIV community open to activism

- Underfunded(\$0.16bn)
- Low political commitment
- Advocacy from 2003
- TB community conservative for years, no activism accepted



TB and HIV —the real situation

HIV

- Open relationship with patients
- Doctor patient relationship
- HIV is seen as sexy
- It is incurable but manageable

- Closed relationship with patients
- IM the DOCTOR, you are the patient
- Not sexy at all
- Curable, treatable and preventable



TB and HIV the real situation

HIV

- WAIDS day is well attended
- 8,000 deaths daily
- Rapid tests available
- Advocacy has contributed to more research
- Abuja declaration

- WTB day low attendance
- 5,000 deaths daily
- Tests take longer hours
- Minimal advocacy less results
- Maputo declaration



TB and HIV the real situation

HIV

- CSO s fully engaged in HIV/AIDS activities
- Life long therapy
- UNAIDS

- Minimal engagement by CSOs in TB activities.
- 6-8 months Rx regimens
- STOP TB

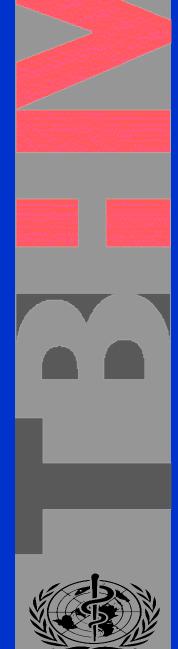


Why We Need Advoca



For policy implementation for TB and HIV







For better diagnostics







Access to free and better drugs







Acceptable high quality drugs







Its time to transfer our HIV advocacy skills to TB advocacy if we must disrupt the TB/HIV honeymoon.

