

Assuring the Quality of Laboratory Testing in Countries Fighting an HIV/AIDS Epidemic

Workshop Agenda

Wednesday Nov 29, 2000

8:15 - 8:30	Registration	
8:30	Overview of Workshop Introduction of Participants	Dr. Cate McKinney
8:45	Welcome: Overview of LIFE APHL	Dr. Eugene McCray Dr. Eric Blank
8:55	Overview of LIFE Laboratory Activities	Dr. Austin Demby
9:30	Effective Communication	Ms. Jan Hiland
10:15	Break	
10:30	HIV Rapid Testing Technologies Rapid Tests Demonstration (Small Groups)	Dr. Mark Rayfield
11:15	Quality Assurance Overview Importance of QA	Dr. Tom Hearn
12 :00	Lunch	
1:15	Quality Systems	Ms. Susan Blonshine
2:30	Implementing Quality Systems - Group Exercises	
3:15	Break	
3:30	Test verification / validation	Dr. Neil Constantine
4:30 - 5:00	Case Studies - Introduction Group Assignments	Dr. Eric Blank

Day 2 - Thursday, November 30, 2000

8:30 - 11:45 *Quality Control (QC) and External Quality Assessment (EQA):
Existing and Potential Strategies*

8:30	HIV	Dr. Joanne Mei
9:30	Tuberculosis	Dr. John Ridderhof
10:30	Break	
10:45	General Microbiology, Sexually Transmitted Infections, Opportunistic Infections	Dr. Mike Noble
11:45	Case Studies: Charge to the Group	Dr. Eric Blank
12:00	LUNCH	
1:00	Case Studies: Problem Solving Exercises Group Discussions	
2:30	Quality Assurance Documentation: Procedures and Records	Ms. Stacy Howard
3:00	Case Studies: Group Presentations	
4:30	Wrap-Up	Dr. Tom Hearn
4:45	Evaluation	Dr. Cate McKinney