

Webinar Agenda

Strengthening Active Drug Safety Monitoring and Management (aDSM) in DR-TB care: Building resilient and sustainable safety monitoring systems - Country experiences

Under the ASCENT DR-TB project, active Drug Safety Monitoring and Management (aDSM) has been a key intervention supporting the safe implementation of new DR-TB treatment regimens, including BPaL and BPaLM. The project has focused on strengthening healthcare worker capacity through training and mentorship, improving adverse event detection, management, and reporting, enhancing pharmacovigilance systems, and fostering collaboration between TB programmes and regulatory authorities. In addition, ASCENT has promoted community engagement in treatment safety monitoring, empowering patients and communities to play an active role in identifying and reporting adverse events. These efforts have generated valuable lessons and best practices for strengthening patient safety and improving the quality of DR-TB care, providing an important basis for cross-country experience sharing and learning.

Target Audience: NTP staff, clinicians, nurses, pharmacists, laboratory personnel, pharmacovigilance officers, implementing partners, and community representatives

Workshop Objectives

By the end of the workshop, participants will:

- Understand the role of aDSM in the implementation of new drugs and regimens.
- Strengthen skills in adverse event detection, grading, management, recording, and reporting.
- Improve coordination between TB and pharmacovigilance systems.
- Review practical experiences and lessons learned from ASCENT DR-TB countries (Indonesia and Vietnam).

Date: 28 Oct 2026

Time: 12:00 – 14:00 CET

Chairs		
Chikosa Ngwira – Unitaid Mustapha Gidado – KNCV		
Time	Topic	Presenter
12:00 – 12:05	Introduction	Chikosa Ngwira – Unitaid Mustapha Gidado – KNCV
12:05 – 12:35	Indonesia country experience: Strengthening frontline capacity for aDSM through mentorship and clinical monitoring	
12:35 – 13:05	Vietnam country experience: Scaling up aDSM to support nationwide implementation of BPaL/M regimens in Vietnam	Dr. Thuy PMDT lead NTP Vietnam
13:05 – 13:15	From treatment literacy to community-led pharmacovigilance: strengthening community engagement in safety monitoring for DR-TB Care – experience from community partners	Ngoc Anh SCDI - Vietnam
13:15 – 13:35	TAG's experience on community safety monitoring	Mike Frick TB Project Co-Director TAG
13:35 – 13:55	Q&A/Discussion	Chikosa Ngwira – Unitaid
13:55 – 14:00	Close out	Mustapha Gidado – KNCV