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**STAKEHOLDER MEETING**  
**Addressing the rise of syphilis in the Americas.**  
**16-17 November 2021**

**HOW TO PARTICIPATE**

**DATE:** 16-17 November 2021

**TIME:** 09:00 am-12:00 pm (EST) [see time correspondence below]

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The session will be available in English and Spanish with simultaneous translation.

**AGENDA**

**Day 1:** 16 November 2021

Time	Theme	Responsible
9:00 am	Introduction and objectives	PAHO
<b>Session 1: Syphilis in the PAHO Region: situation and lessons learned</b>		
9:15-9:30am	Overall situation of syphilis in the Americas 2019-2020	PAHO
9:30-10am	Syphilis outbreak in Canada. Related factors and response.	Public Health Agency of Canada
10:00-10:20am	Sao Paulo (Brazil). Situation and innovative response experiences	State Program of STD AIDS, São Paulo, Secretariat of Health, Sao Paulo
10:20-10:35am	Questions and Answers	
<b>Session 2: Planning strategies for syphilis elimination</b>		
10:35-11:10am	Key interventions towards syphilis elimination	WHO
11:10-11:45am	Syphilis interventions towards elimination model (SITE): application in Peru.	Ministry of Health, Peru
11:45am	Questions and Answers	PAHO
12:00am	End of Day 1	

## Day 2: 17 November 2021

9:00 am	Overview of Day 1	PAHO
<b>Session 3: High risk and vulnerable populations for syphilis.</b>		
9:00 -9:15am	Lessons learned from novel interventions in Vulnerable Populations Groups. Preventive doxycycline for high-risk populations.	Jeffrey Klausner, Keck School of Medicine of the University of Southern California
9:15-9:30am	Current Situation and response to Syphilis in USA	Leandro Mena, Division of STD Prevention, Centers for Disease Prevention and Control, USA
09:30-9:45am	Community-based interventions under the Family and Community Health Model (Primary Health Care) for the timely diagnosis, management and monitoring of syphilis in pregnant women and newborns.	STI-HIV National Component, Ministry of Health, Nicaragua
9:45am-9:55am	Lessons Learned from HIV-STI Integration	Pan Caribbean Partnership Against HIV and AIDS
9:55-10:10am	Questions and answers	
<b>Session 4: Next steps for programs and technical cooperation.</b>		
10:10-11:10 am	<p><b>Working Groups to discuss inputs on next steps towards syphilis elimination and essential actions in the COVID context.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Main bottlenecks for moving forward: Mother to child transmission of syphilis and key populations</li> <li>• Strategic actions to advance with syphilis elimination in countries in the Americas</li> <li>• Collaboration and actions from civil society, academia, donors and other partners.</li> </ul>	Participants will be divided into four working groups/breakout rooms (two for Spanish and two for English), to discuss: (1) syphilis among pregnant women, partners, and congenital syphilis (one in Spanish, one in English) (2) syphilis among key and vulnerable populations (one in Spanish, one in English)
11:10-12:00pm	Report back from working groups	10 minutes each working group/ 20 minutes for plenary discussion
12:00 pm	Closing	PAHO
	<b>End of day 2</b>	