



### IAS Satellite session on EMTCT Plus

**Title:** New generations free of HIV, syphilis and hepatitis B: Adding hepatitis B to the global initiative of elimination of mother-to-child transmission of HIV and syphilis.

**Organization:** Pan American Health Organization / World Health Organization Regional Office for the Western Pacific / UNICEF

**Time Slot:** Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July – 14:45 – 16:45

**Duration:** 120 min | 430 seats

#### Rationale

The global community has committed to eliminating mother-to-child transmission (MTCT) of HIV and syphilis as a public health priority through a harmonized and integrated approach to improving health outcomes for women and children. Leveraging on the experience from the effort to achieve dual elimination, in the WHO Regions of the Americas and Western Pacific, work is underway to eliminate other infectious diseases through the maternal-child health platform.

The proposed satellite will disseminate this new phase of EMTCT, particularly focusing on the elimination of perinatal and early childhood hepatitis B. It will also promote the discussion on technical and programmatic aspects of its implementation, showcase national progresses towards triple elimination and discuss unanswered questions that could be addressed by upcoming innovations and operational research.

#### Objective

1. Promote the triple/quadruple elimination initiatives in the context of UHC and strengthening MCH.
2. Lean on the advances from innovative interventions to support the elimination of HBV in children.
3. Showcase programmatic achievements towards triple elimination.

14:45	<b>Opening remarks</b> <b>Naoko Ishikawa</b> , World Health Organization – Regional Office for the Western Pacific, Philippines	
14:50	<b>The framework for the elimination of mother-to-child transmission of HIV, syphilis and hepatitis B, and the potential use of MCH to eliminate other diseases.</b> <b>Leandro Sereno</b> , Pan American Health Organization – PAHO/WHO, United States	
15:05	<b>WHO perspective on enhanced interventions to prevent HBV infection in infants and reach hepatitis elimination targets.</b> <b>Marc Bulterys</b> , World Health Organization, Switzerland	
15:20	<b>Countries advances towards triple elimination</b> <b>Dr. Sarawut Boonsuk</b> , Director of health promotion center (Region 10), Ministry of Public Health, Thailand <b>Dr. Ai-ling Wang</b> , National center for women's and children's health, China CDC, China <b>Dr. Maria Isela Lantero</b> , Department of STI and HIV/AIDS, Ministry of Public Health, Cuba	
15:50	<b>Moderated Panel discussion</b>	