

Lecture Series & Workshops 2019-2021

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Global elimination of viral hepatitis – current status reports

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The subsequent **meet-eat-and-greet** will cover the **intersection of research and entrepreneurship** giving this meeting a special twist!

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The World Health Organisation targets for elimination of viral hepatitis require implementation of harm reduction programs, diagnosing 90% of all HCV and HBV infections and treating 80% of the eligible population. The high-income countries led the way in HCV elimination by providing direct acting antivirals, removing restrictions and treating those under care. However, many programs are faltering as the number of treated patients is declining. Much of the innovation in viral hepatitis elimination appears to be coming from middle-income countries where national governments are combining universal screening and treatment to achieve their targets. In 2019 alone, Egypt screened 52 million people and will likely achieve the elimination targets by 2021. This talk will review the current status of national elimination programs highlighting how far we have come since 2015. In addition, it will review the 8 factors needed in every national program to achieve the 2030 targets.

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