Learning Session: HIV Exposed Children and Early Childhood Development

Geffen Hall 122

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To: Learning Session Participants

From: Thomas J. Coates PhD (UCLA David Geffen School of Medicine) and Lisa Bohmer MPH (The Conrad N. Hilton Foundation)

We are pleased that you will be able to attend the learning session on the linkages between HIV and AIDS and early childhood development including insights from neuroscience, maternal mental health studies and life-span development studies.

We have asked the presenters to be “discussion leaders.” We have asked them to present high-level findings and ideas and then we will have time to hear from the different perspectives that all of you bring to this learning session.

We hope that this will be a vibrant and interactive session and we are delighted by the multiple disciplinary perspectives that will participate (please see attached list of attendees).

Day of Event Instructions

Breakfast will start at 8:15 and the session will start at 9:00. Lunch will be served at noon and the discussion will continue until 1:00.

Location: Geffen Hall 122

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The goals of the meeting are:

- To discuss the Nurturing Care Framework, as presented at The World Health Assembly in 2018 in “Nurturing Care for Early Childhood Development” as it relates to children in low-resource settings, including those affected by HIV.
- To review recent scientific findings from maternal mental health, and life-span developmental studies of HIV-affected families and assess the implications from these studies for expanding upon the nurturing care framework for HIV affected children.
- To develop recommendations for scientific study as well as immediate implications for policy and programmatic implementation for improving early childhood development programs for HIV affected children.

We want to understand how perspectives and findings from diverse areas might inform how we provide the best start to life for HIV-affected children. And there will be more of them with the success of Option B+ and the population growth in sub-Saharan Africa.

We deliberately invited many experts in maternal mental health, stigma, and substance abuse; experiences of trauma and disaster; reproductive health and birth spacing; other health issues of infants and children in low and middle income countries.

The idea for this learning session came out of UCLA’s work with the Hilton Foundation’s Young Children Affected by HIV and AIDS Initiative to integrate early childhood development training into ART care for post-partum HIV+ mothers. Option B+ has worked very well there with very high uptake of HIV testing and ART. We are in the 4th year of a 5-year project to test the implementation and outcomes of early childhood development programs.

The objective is to use the Nurturing Care Framework as a basis for discussion on ways that novel scientific insights can enhance efforts to work with HIV+ mothers and their infants and children.

Breakfast will start at 8:15 am and the learning session will begin at 9:00 am with a brief introduction on the Nurturing Care Framework. Drs. Kate Powis from Harvard and Amy Slogrove from Stellenbosch University will present the current state of knowledge about health and development issues of HIV-affected infants and children, including HIV-exposed and uninfected infants.
Below is the agenda for the learning session attached as well as the list of confirmed attendees. We look forward to your attendance. We believe that this will be an interesting and exciting discussion.

8:15-9:00 a.m.  Breakfast

9:00-9:15 a.m.  Opening Remarks and introductions  
Thomas J. Coates, PhD and Lisa Bohmer, MPH

9:15-9:45 a.m.  The Nurturing Care Framework and the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation Initiative for Young Children Affected by HIV and AIDS  
Lisa Bohmer, MPH

9:45-10:15 a.m.  Current knowledge and ongoing investigations of health and development of HIV-affected children  
Katherine Powis, MD, MBA and Amy Slogrove MD, PhD

10:15-10:45 a.m.  Parent-child interactions and child development  
Catherine Sandhofer, PhD

10:45-11:00 a.m.  UCLA’s integration of early childhood development training into ART delivery in Malawi  
Kate Dovel PhD and Laurie Bruns MSc MPH

10:30-11:20 a.m.  Additional Insights from maternal mental health, stigma, and substance abuse; experiences of trauma and disaster; reproductive health and birth spacing; other health issues of infants and children in low and middle income countries

11:15-11:30 p.m.  Commentary from implementers  
Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation; Elizabeth Taylor AIDS Foundation; Coalition for Children Affected by AIDS

11:30-12:00 pm  Recommendations for Research, Policy, and Program Implementation

Lunch, Networking, Further Discussion

1:00-1:15 p.m.  Closing Remarks  
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Co-Chairs

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Senior Program Officer, International Programs  
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Attendees in Alphabetical Order

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