Romania hepatitis meeting

Elimination of Viral Hepatitis in Romania: lessons learnt and the way forward

Bucharest, Romania

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More than 25 years active in the control and prevention of viral hepatitis in Europe

Member of ACHIEVE
• Mission statement

The objective of VHPB is to contribute to the control and prevention of viral hepatitides:
- by drawing the attention to this important public health problem
- by issuing prevention and control guidance and catalyse the development of recommendations,
- by encouraging actions to improve control, prevention and elimination.

Focus audiences are, in first instance, opinion leaders, policymakers, public health and health care professionals.
2-3 meetings/year
(technical - country)
TECHNICAL MEETINGS: REVIEW AND ISSUE GUIDELINES OR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CRITICAL ISSUES IN VIRAL HEPATITIS
COUNTRY MEETINGS
Objectives

• Understand strategies and programs to control viral hepatitis in the country
• Monitor progress of countries in control of viral hepatitis
• Create a platform where people of the country involved in viral hepatitis can discuss and can start future initiatives
• Initiate or accelerate the development of National viral hepatitis plan
• Draft guidelines to support countries based on lessons learned from other countries
Countries covered

- Italy (2002)
- Germany and the Nordic Countries (2003)
- France (2004)
- UK (2005)
- Spain (2006)
- Greece (2007)
- The Netherlands (2008)
- Turkey (2009)
- Portugal (2010)
- Bulgaria (2011)
- Arctic Region (2012)
- Israel (2013)
- Brazil (2014)
- Baltic states (2015)
- Albania (2016)
Summary of more than two decades VHPB activities

- Since 1992, **25** years of experience
- **38** issues of Viral Hepatitis, 2 Newsletters
- Meetings: **47** VHPB meetings, 3 EE/NIS meetings, 1 global HAV meeting
- Board members: **39** representing **19** different countries and many disciplines
- Peer reviewed publications: more than **87**
- Since 1994, The VHPB Executive Secretariat is part of the Centre for the Evaluation of Vaccination, University of Antwerp
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- Provide an overview of the current viral hepatitis situation in Romania: surveillance systems, epidemiology, screening, burden, prevention and the cascade of care.

- Discuss the development, the implementation of a National hepatitis plan.

- Assess the needs to achieve the goal of eliminating viral hepatitis as a major public health threat by 2030 as set out in the WHO Global Strategy and WHO Europe Action Plan, building on the UN Sustainable Development Goals’ (SDG) commitments.

- Discuss successes, issues and barriers to overcome, and the way forward.