REGIONAL ALLIANCE FOR
Cervical Cancer Prevention
EASTERN EUROPE & CENTRAL ASIA

1st 2025 Joint Meeting of the HPV Vaccination, Cervical Screening and HPV Primary Screening Committees, Planning the Working Group Actions

Date: 17 April 2025. Time: 11.00-12.30 (Istanbul time - UTC+3)

Please register in advance for this meeting

Simultaneous English-Russian translation will be provided

Time	Agenda item
11.00 – 11.05	**Welcome/Introduction** *Tamar Khomasuridze, SRH Regional Advisor, UNFPA EECARO* *Teymur Seyidov, SRH Programme Specialist, UNFPA EECARO* *Silvia Ussai, Alliance Secretariat, UNFPA EECARO*
11.05 – 11.15	**EU-Funded PIECES Project Presentation** *Christiaan Vis, Amsterdam University Medical Centre, PIECES European Coordinator*
11.15 – 11.30	**HPV Vaccination Working Groups – Plans, Timelines, Outcomes:** • WG1 – Intersectoral Partnerships to Support HPV Vaccination – WG Chair • WG2 – HPV Vaccination Training Workshops – WG Chair • WG3 – HPV Vaccination Communication Programs for the General Public – WG Chair • WG4 – HPV Vaccination Online Forum – WG Chair *Moderator: Veaceslav Gutu*
11.30 – 11.45 (5 min each)	**Cervical Screening Working Groups – Plans, Timelines, Outcomes:** • WG1 – Cervical Screening Training Workshop – WG Chair • WG2 – Multi-Country Projects – WG Chair • WG3 – Cervical Screening Site Visits – WG Chair • WG4 – Cervical Screening Quality Assurance Training Exchanges – WG Chair • WG5 – International Partnerships – WG Chair *Moderator: Diana Valuta*
11.45 – 12.00 (5 min each)	**HPV Primary Screening Working Groups – Plans, Timelines, Outcomes:** • WG1 – HPV Screening Online Forum Working Group – WG Chair • WG2 – HPV Screening Implementation Working Group – WG Chair • WG3 – HPV Screening Technical Resources Working Group – WG Chair • WG4 – Alliance Website Working Group – WG Chair *Moderator: Alban Ylli*
12.00 – 12.15	**Open Discussion** *Moderator: Silvia Ussai*
12.15 – 12.25	**Other Business** Date of next Committee meetings *Moderator: Teymur Seyidov*
12.25 – 12.30	**Closing Comments** *Tamar Khomasuridze*

HPV Vaccination Committee Working Groups

	Working Group	Actions agreed at the Forum 2024	Indicators
1	Intersectoral Partnerships to Support HPV Vaccination Working Group	Establish a working group to address the challenge of strengthening partnerships across sectors and promote inter-sectoral support for HPV vaccination.	• Working group established. • Technical guidance document on strengthening inter-sectoral support for HPV vaccination published.
2	HPV Vaccination Training Workshops Working Group	Establish a working group to prepare evidence-based training programs for different target groups (health care providers, journalists, teachers, etc.).	• Training program agendas for 2 target groups prepared with speakers proposed for each presentation. • Training workshops held for 2 target groups in 1 EECA country/territory with the video recording made available online for use in other countries/territories.
3	HPV Vaccination Communication Programs for the General Public Working Group	Establish a working group to prepare model HPV vaccination communication programs for the general public.	• Working group established. • Technical guidance document on the structure and implementation of a communication program published.
4	HPV Vaccination Online Forum Working Group	Establish an online forum to exchange information and experiences about HPV immunization and encourage collaboration/data sharing among Alliance members.	• Topics and speakers for 6 meetings agreed. • 6 online meetings held.

Cervical Screening Committee Working Groups

	Working Group	Actions agreed at the Forum 2024	Indicators
1	Cervical Screening Training Workshop Working Group	Prepare a model 1 day training workshop for decision makers on organized cervical cancer screening, and translate and adapt it to the national context.	• Workshop agenda prepared with speakers proposed for each presentation.
2	Multi-Country Projects Working Group	Develop concepts for multi-country projects and work with the Alliance to find funding.	• Concepts for 3 multi-country/territory projects prepared. • Funding for 1 project obtained.
3	Cervical Screening Site Visits Working Group	Organize and participate in the site visits for healthcare decision-makers.	• 2 site visits organised and conducted with participation of 2 members of the Cervical Screening Committee.
4	Cervical Screening Quality Assurance Training Exchanges	Organize extended technical training sessions for specialists from the EECA region who will be responsible for setting up and/or managing cervical screening quality assurance programs.	• 1 technical training session conducted with the participation of specialists from 2 or more EECA countries/territories.
5	International Partnerships Working Group	Establish collaboration and partnerships with the WHO and the EUTOPIA EAST project.	• Members of the Cervical Screening Committee participate in 1 or more relevant actions undertaken in the EECA region by the WHO or EUTOPIA.

HPV Primary Screening Committee Working Groups

	Working Group	Actions agreed at the Forum 2024	Indicators
1	HPV Screening Online Forum Working Group	Establish a forum for regular communication between Alliance members, such as monthly online meetings that will address specific topics of relevance.	• Topics and speakers for 6 meetings agreed. • 6 online meetings held.
2	HPV Screening Implementation Working Group	Establish a working group on the practical elements of implementing HPV screening, such as identifying the most appropriate equipment, calculating the required number of testing laboratories, mechanisms for transport of samples.	• Working group established. • Technical guidance documents published on 4 key practical elements of implementing HPV screening.
3	HPV Screening Technical Resources Working Group	Establish a working group to identify and catalogue resources for technical assistance, and then facilitate access by countries that require support.	• Working group established. • Catalogue of resources for technical support published. • Access to relevant technical resources facilitated for 2 or more EECA countries/ territories.
4	Alliance Website Working Group	Review and update the Alliance website and online resource library to ensure it meets the needs of the Alliance members.	• Alliance website updated.