Global Pulse Oximetry Project Agenda

29 October, 2008 – Day 1
Meeting Location: WHO headquarters, Salle D

08:30 – 9:00 Registration

09:00 – 9:10 Welcome Remarks
Ms. Pauline Philip, Executive Secretary, World Alliance For Patient Safety

09:10 – 10:00 The Global Pulse Oximetry Project: An overview of the meeting’s goals
Dr. Atul Gawande, Lead, Safe Surgery Saves Lives, Boston, US

Universal pulse oximetry – Why is it our goal and what do we know about the pulse oximetry gap?

10:00 – 10:30 Why is universal pulse oximetry our goal?
Presenter: Prof. Alan Merry, Clinical lead advisor for the Global Pulse Oximetry Project, Auckland, NZ
(10 mins)

Reactors: Prof. Olaitan Soyannwo, Abuja, Nigeria
(5 mins) Dr. Gonzalo Barreiro, Montevideo, Uruguay

10:30 – 10:45 Coffee Break

10:45 – 11:15 What is the pulse oximetry gap?
Presenter: Dr. Tom Weiser, Project facilitator, Boston, US
(10 mins)

Reactors: Dr. Jin Liu, Beijing, China
(5 mins) Prof. Jane Kabutu, Nairobi, Kenya

11:15 – 12:00 The WFSA’s Global Oximetry project
Identifying a pulse oximeter design for the developing world

13:00 – 13:10 Initial draft specifications for a low cost pulse oximeter
Presenter: Dr. David Whitaker, London, UK

13:10 – 15:10 Manufacturers’ panel discussion: What are the current options for pulse oximetry?
(20-30 mins each)
1. Specifications for power sources
2. Options for sensors/probes
3. Options for features
4. Options for materials and durability
5. Other considerations

15:10 – 15:25 Coffee Break

15:25 – 15:40 Reactors: Prof. Olaitan Soyannwo, Abuja, Nigeria
Dr. Meena Cherian, Medical Officer, Clinical Procedures, WHO
Dr. Charlie Coté, Boston, MA

15:40 – 16:15 Open discussion

The procurement process

16:15 – 16:25 Introduction: Dr. Peter Evans, Procurement and Distribution lead advisor for the Global Pulse Oximetry Project, Toronto, Canada

16:25 – 16:55 Different strategies for pulse oximetry procurement

The Clinton Foundation HIV/AIDS Initiative (CHAI)
Presenter: Ms. Maurine Murtagh, Director of Diagnostic Services, CHAI
UNICEF
Presenter: Mr. Ludo Scheerlinck, Technical Officer, Medical and Laboratory, UNICEF Supply Division
(10 mins)

The Global Drug Facility (GDF)
Presenter: Mr. John Loeber, Manager, Procurement, Stop TB Partnership Secretariat, WHO
(10 mins)

16:55 – 17:05 Discussion of different procurement approaches
Reactors: Dr. Clive Ondari, Coordinator, Policy, Access, and Rational Use, WHO
(5 mins) Dr. Florian Nuevo, Manila, Philippines

17:05 – 17:45 Open discussion

17:45 – 18:00 **Summary of the day**
Dr. Atul Gawande, Lead, Safe Surgery Saves Lives

19:00 – 20:00 Global Pulse Oximetry Project Participant Dinner (optional)
- *all participants are invited*

30 October, 2008 – Day 2
*Meeting location: WHO headquarters, Salle D*

**Successful introduction of global pulse oximetry: Closing the gap**

09:00 – 09:45 What distribution, servicing, and other facilities are needed?
Presenter: Dr. Susanne Carai, Child and Adolescent Health and Development, WHO
(10 mins)

Reactors: Prof. Alan Merry, Clinical lead advisor for the Global Pulse Oximetry Project, Auckland, NZ
(5 mins) Dr. Mobido Dicko, Technical Officer, Immunization, Vaccines, and Biologicals, WHO

09:45 – 10:30 What is a potential training model for wide introduction of a low cost pulse oximeter?
Presenter: Dr. Angela Enright, President, WFSA
(10 mins)
Reactors:  Prof. Jane Kabutu, Nairobi, Kenya  
(5 mins)  Dr. Mohammad A.R. Al Dabbas, Amman, Jordan

10:30 – 10:45 Coffee Break

10:45 – 11:45 How will we know our intervention is a success?  
Monitoring and measurement on a local and global level  
Presenter:  Dr. John Eichhorn, Lexington, US  
(10 mins)

Reactors:  Dr. Jin Liu, Beijing, China  
(5 mins)  Dr. Gavin Thoms, Manchester, UK

11:45 – 12:00 Meeting summary and closing thoughts  
Dr. Atul Gawande, Lead, Safe Surgery Saves Lives

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch