

Background Paper			
Agenda Nr. 2.04/2b	Subject	Writing of the WHO Guide on TB and Poverty	
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<p>Introduction</p> <p>To prepare a practical guide for National TB Programme managers to help them in identifying the poor, the barriers the poor encounter in accessing TB services, and available options to address the needs of the poor as an integral part of TB control.</p>			
<p>Summary</p> <p>The DEWG secretariat and the TB Poverty Core Group have endorsed the following table of contents:</p> <p>Executive Summary</p> <p>Preface, which will be written by an invited expert.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduction 2. Rationale for integration of pro-poor measures in TB control 3. Barriers to accessing TB services by the poor 4. Potential actions to overcome barriers to access 5. Identifying and harnessing existing resources to deliver pro-poor TB services 6. Special situations, where there are special concerns for TB control in poor sections of populations. 7. Assessing the impact of pro-poor measures 8. Strengthening of resources to improve access of the poor to TB services 9. Stepwise practical approach to mainstreaming poverty in TB control <p>References</p> <p>Acknowledgements</p> <p>Writing assignments have been assigned to the writing committee and a final text is expected towards the end of 2004. The WHO guide on TB and Poverty should not be more than 40 pages.</p>			
<p>Decisions requested from the Stop TB Coordinating Board</p> <p>To endorse the writing of a WHO document</p>			
Next steps and time frame			
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