

## **SLMTA Updates**

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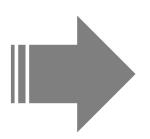
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#### Uganda Pilot, 2008-2009









PEPFAR's flagship program for laboratory system strengthening

PEPFAR: The US President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief

## Number of Accredited Laboratories in Sub-Saharan Africa in 2009



Source: Guy-Michel Gershy-Damet, et al. The World Health Organization African Region Laboratory Accreditation Process: Improving the Quality of Laboratory Systems in the African Region. *Am J Clin Pathol* 2010; 134: 393-400.

#### Spread of the SLMTA program

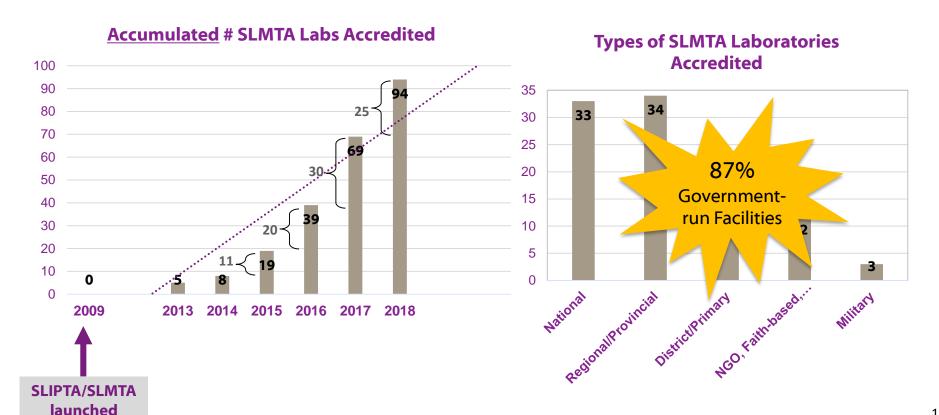
(1333 labs, 52 countries)



72/94 in Sub-Saharan Africa

- 57 outside South Africa
- 15 in South Africa

# Rapid growth of the number of SLMTA laboratories accredited to international standards



## **SLMTA Quiz Time**

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- Which country has the highest <u>number</u> of <u>SLMTA-enrolled</u> laboratories that achieved accreditation to international standards? <u>Quiz #1</u>
  - A. Ethiopia
  - B. Kenya
  - C. South Africa
  - D. Vietnam

- Which country has the highest <u>percentage</u> of SLMTA-enrolled laboratories that have achieved accreditation to international standards? (# SLMTA labs accredited / total # SLMTA labs enrolled)

  Quiz #2
  - A. Ethiopia
  - B. Kenya
  - C. South Africa
  - D. Vietnam

## The SLMTA Ripple Effect

#### **Hospital Quality Improvement**

Malamulo Mission Hospital and Blantyre Adventist Hospital in Malawi

Indicator	Before	After
Out-patient process time	220 min	45 min
% rejected x-ray film	20%	15%
In-patient discharge process time	5 hours	0.5 hour
Turnaround time for repair maintenance requests	5 days	2 days
% lab tests done but not billed	23%	14%
% drugs administered or procedures performed but not billed	24%	12%

Source: Elde Paladar, SLMTA master trainer/mentor based in Malawi, 2016

What is SLMTA's biggest impact?



#### What SLMTAns Said...

SLMTA has not only improved my lab, it has changed my life.

Lab manager, Cameroon

My wife told me that I've become a better husband after I trained in SLMTA.

SLMTA has made me more ambitious. I now look forward to progressing in my profession.

Lab technician, Cameroon

## The Continuous Improvement of the SLMTA Program



**SLMTA 1.0 (3**workshop series)

Training of Trainers<sup>1</sup> (2 weeks)



Statistical QC/MV classroom<sup>2</sup> (9 days)

#### **Siemens PEP Connect**

48 on-line videos

The SLMTA Toolkit

14.5 hours total viewing

https://pep.siemens-info.com/enus/pepfar-qc-workshop

Statistical QC/ME lecture video<sup>3</sup>



SLMTA 2 -"Breakthrough" Curriculum<sup>4</sup> (6 days)

- Collaboration with NHLS/ACILT
- <sup>2,4</sup> Collaboration with Roche-South Africa under Public Private Partnership
- Collaboration with Siemens under Public Private Partnership

www.SLMTA.org Website

# Upcoming New Course Illuminating the Path to ISO 15189 Accreditation (10-day Training of Trainers Workshop)



#### **WHAT**

- Updated/combined SLMTA 1.0 and 2.0
- Process-based approach to designing a cost-effective QMS that meets ISO15189 requirements

WHY - The laboratory landscape has changed; countries are now ready to go beyond SLIPTA stars

WHEN - May 13-24, 2019 at Roche Scientific Campus, Johannesburg, South Africa

#### Participants will learn to:

- Translate ISO15189 clauses into daily laboratory practice
- Recognize QMS as a whole and its <u>interconnected processes</u>
- Design and implement those processes for a <u>cost-effective QMS</u> that fulfills ISO15189 requirements
- Establish a practical QMS that enables laboratories to reach and sustain accreditation status

Where will SLMTA be in the next 10 years?



## Thank you

For more information about SLMTA, go to www.SLMTA.org

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