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Speaker Bios

Lisa Hilmi, Executive Director, CORE Group

Lisa Hilmi has over 30 years of global health experience in over 20+ countries, employing both human rights and community-based participatory approaches to addressing health disparities for women, children and communities. As a nurse, researcher, and public health expert, Lisa has worked at multiple levels of global health, in policy, research, emergency relief and response, development, workforce development, health systems strengthening; from local to global levels. She has worked in development settings, led response to HIV/AIDS/STIs/GBV in refugee and conflict settings, and developed policy for outbreaks, disasters, and epidemics in multiple countries. She has led over \$180 Million of development, relief and rehabilitation efforts. As a nurse, Lisa has worked clinically in pediatric hospital, community, academic, and crisis settings, and has held leadership positions in the UN, Sigma Theta Tau International, INGOs, and foundations. Her research focuses on geographical health disparities for adolescents in urban settings. She has a strong history of partnership and coordination with UN, INGOs, CSOs, academia, and other stakeholders. She sits on the WHO PMNCH Board, the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Foundation, the Steering Committee of the Child Health Task Force, Global Health Council's Presidential Advisory Committee, as well as other review committees. She holds an MPH from Columbia University, a BSN and completing her PhD from the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing, was a Jonas Nurse Scholar, and holds a BA in Communications and Political Science from Villanova University.

Koki Agarwal, Director, USAID's Flagship Maternal Child Survival Program (MCSP)

Dr. Koki Agarwal is an internationally recognized expert in safe motherhood, reproductive health, and family planning policies and programs, as well as promoting policy dialogue and advocacy for policy reform. She has more than 25 years of service delivery experience in reproductive health, family planning, and maternal health, and for over two decades has led, managed, and implemented large-scale USAID-funded global health projects. Since June 2014, Dr. Agarwal has directed USAID's flagship Maternal and Child Survival Program (MCSP), with a focus in 24 USAID priority countries. MCSP is the principal follow-on to the Maternal and Child Health Integrated Program (MCHIP), for which she also handles the overall management and strategic and technical integrity. MCHIP is a \$600 million flagship USAID program, awarded to Jhpiego and partners in 2008, which focuses on reducing maternal, neonatal and child mortality and accelerating progress toward achieving Millennium Development Goals 4 and 5. Prior to both programs, Dr. Agarwal led the ACCESS Program, a USAID-funded maternal and newborn health program led by Jhpiego, and was Deputy of the POLICY Project through the Futures Group. She also served as chair of the Project's maternal health activities and Director of the Center for International Health.



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Folake Olayinka, Immunization Team Lead, USAID/MCSP

Dr. Folake Olayinka is a medical doctor and seasoned public health specialist with over 22 years of experience. She has particular expertise in routine immunization, polio eradication, maternal and child health, HIV/AIDS and malaria programs. She brings firsthand experience in strengthening routine immunization systems, polio eradication and provides multicountry technical oversight in her current role. Dr. Olayinka brings a deep understanding of operationalizing immunization systems strengthening, context specific designs within primary health care platforms and has a well-rounded perspective on integrated reproductive health, maternal, newborn child health programs. She currently works with John Snow Inc. (JSI) and leads the Immunization team on USAID's global flagship project, MCSP. She has previously worked with Pathfinder, ActionAid, JSI, Malaria Consortium and USAID, among others. She serves on the WHO African Regional Immunization Technical Advisory Group (RITAG) and as a Scientific Advisor for the African Local Initiative for Vaccinology Expertise (ALIVE), University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa. She is also a member of the Unicef-Gavi led Global Urban Immunization working group. She served as a member of the WHO Immunization Practice Advisory Committee from 2010-2014.

Gaurav Garg, Senior Manager, Public Policy Engagement, Gavi

Gaurav Garg contributes to shaping and advancing Gavi's political and partner engagement from a health, sustainable development and cross sectoral policy perspective, sharpening Gavi's strategic engagement with the global health architecture, informing Gavi's country-level political engagement approach and supporting its ongoing roll out. Gaurav has a Master's degree in Social Policy and Development from the London School of Economics. Prior to joining Gavi in 2016, Gaurav worked with UNICEF in Central and South America, West Africa, South and South East Asia in different regional and country roles, including humanitarian and outbreak response, political engagement and demand generation on cross-sectoral child survival and development and co-led the global communications planning for the IPV vaccine introduction.

Subhi Quraishi, CEO, ZMQ

Subhi Quraishi is a technovator and social entrepreneur, who specializes in developing innovative technological solutions in low-resource settings which effectively reaches to bottom-of-the-pyramid markets: poor, rural, marginalized and women. Two of ZMQ's flagship programs, MIRA and FreedomTB, have scaled from India to Afghanistan, Uganda and Rwanda. MIRA Channel, an integrated mobile phone channel which provides information & services to rural women on pre- and post-natal care, child immunization & family planning, works as a 'Talking Toolkit' for millions of illiterate women. Under the Freedom TB initiative, Subhi has scaled the new approach of management of TB treatment using Video compliance by patients called Active Compliance and Treatment Strategy. Subhi was recently selected as a member of the newly-appointed WHO Global Task Force on e/m-Health on tuberculosis. Subhi is recognized globally for his T4D models and practices. He is a prominent speaker on Technology for Development and Games for Development. He is also a winner of World Business and Development Leadership Award instituted by UNDP and ICC. His articles and works are regularly published in the newspapers and magazines. Subhi has a Master's in Computer Engineering and Applied Mathematics with specialization in simulations and gaming technology.

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Ellyn Ogden, Worldwide Polio Eradication Coordinator, USAID

Ellyn W. Ogden has been the Worldwide Polio Eradication Coordinator and Technical Director for USAID and a Senior Technical Advisor for Health and Child Survival since 1997. She is responsible for the USAID's \$59 million annual polio eradication that works in over 25 countries in Africa, South Asia, and the Near East. Recognizing the need for equity and access to health services for all children, Ms. Ogden has directed special attention to children in conflict countries and among marginalized or under-served communities. A graduate of the Tulane (B.A. International Relations) and the Tulane School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine (MPH Epidemiology and Infectious Disease Control), Ellyn has nearly 30 years of international public health experience in the areas of child survival, disease prevention and control, health communication, and health and human rights. During her career, Ms Ogden has served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Papua Ne Guinea and as a John's Hopkins University Health and Child Survival Fellow with USAID's Latin America Bureau. Ms. Ogden is a Member of the Polio Eradication Regional Certification Committee for Europe. In 2008, Ms. Ogden received USAID's Award for Heroism for her successful efforts to negotiate "Ceasefires and Days of Tranquility" in several conflict countries in Africa and Asia. She is also the recipient of Rotary International's prestigious "Paul Harris Fellows Award" for Humanitarian Service.

Dr. Ved Prakash, General Manager for Routine Immunization, NHM in Uttar Pradesh

Dr. Ved Prakash has worked as the General Manager for Routine Immunization with the National Health Ministry (NHM) in Uttar Pradesh since 2016. Prior to this, he acted as the General Manager for Procurement and led various public-private partnership projects, also providing support for NHM administration and Management Information Systems. Dr. Prakash attended Moti Lal Nehru Medical College in Allahabad and did his residency at Maulana Azad Medical College in New Delhi before working with the Provincial Medical Services in Uttar Pradesh, and with the National Polio Surveillance Project as the Surveillance Medical Officer and the Sub-Regional Team Leader under WHO until 2009. He is a professional member of the Indian Academy of Pediatrics.

Roma Solomon, Director CORE Group Polio Project (CGPP), India

A medical doctor by profession, with more than forty years of experience and a strong orientation towards community health, Dr. Solomon has also worked in the fields of reproductive and child health and sexual health, including HIV and AIDS, both at the grassroots as well as managerial levels for various international organizations. Since 1999, Dr. Solomon has been heading the India secretariat of the CORE Group Polio Project consortium that works to eradicate polio and improve routine immunization in high-risk states. She has also published various papers about the eradication of polio in Uttar Pradesh, India. She is a former chair of the Gavi Civil Society Organization (CSO) steering committee and Oversight Advisory Group and represents civil society organizations at forums like SAGE, Gavi and the Transition Independent Monitoring Board of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative.

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Pankaj Bhatnagar, Deputy Team Leader, National Polio Surveillance Project, WHO

Dr. Pankaj Bhatnagar is the Deputy Team Leader of the National Polio Surveillance Project (NPSP) at WHO Country Office for India. He is a graduate from the Maulana Azad Medical College, New Delhi with post-graduation in Pediatrics (MD Pediatrics & DCH). Dr. Bhatnagar joined WHO Country Office, National Polio Surveillance Project (NPSP) as a Surveillance Medical Officer in September 1999. He has held national level positions in NPSP since 2002 being responsible for technical trainings and immunization activities. Dr. Pankaj Bhatnagar has been closely associated with the development and implementation of a number of strategic interventions for polio eradication and strengthening of routine immunization. Dr. Pankaj has presented several publications on vaccine preventable diseases in peer reviewed journals. He is an avid sports and nature enthusiast and is widely travelled.

Minakshi Sharma, community representative, district Baghpat Uttar Pradesh

Minakshi Sharma is graduate and working with CGPP since February 2016. Minakshi is a proud mother and has two sons and one daughter. She loves to work for her own community. She is well known in her community as CMC Minakshi.

Fhameeda, community representative, district Baghpat Uttar Pradesh

Fhameeda is class 12th pass working and with CGPP since February 2008. She is very outspoken and always tries to reach out to those mothers who are unable to come out from the family due to socio-cultural barrier.