



## MEETING AGENDA

# Optimizing Effective Coverage of HIV/STI Prevention and Care Programs: A Program Science Approach

May 2-5, 2022

The Banbury Center, Lloyd Harbor, New York  
and remotely, via Zoom

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Organizers:

**Sevgi Aral**, Centers for Disease Control & Prevention;  
**James Blanchard**, University of Manitoba;  
**Marissa Becker**, University of Manitoba;  
**Gina Dallabetta**, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation;  
**Patricia García**, Universidad Peruana Cayetano Heredia;  
**Geoff Garnett**, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation;  
and **Leigh McClarty**, University of Manitoba

## MONDAY, MAY 2

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**Afternoon** Arrivals and check-in

**6:00 pm** Reception and dinner

## TUESDAY, MAY 3

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**7:15 am** Breakfast

**8:30 am** Welcome and Meeting Objectives  
Rebecca Leshan, Banbury Center  
Geoff Garnett, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation



- 8:45 am** **SESSION 1: Closing the Program-Science Gap**  
James Blanchard, University of Manitoba  
Marissa Becker, University of Manitoba
- 9:40 am** **General Discussion**
- 10:30 am** **SESSION 2: Optimizing HIV/STI Prevention Programs Through Program Science**  
Sevgi Aral, Centers for Disease Control & Prevention  
Leigh McClarty, University of Manitoba
- 11:20 am** **SESSION 3: Experiences and Examples in Applying Program Science, Part I**  
Ruth Morgan Thomas, Global Network of Sex Work Projects  
Kenneth Mayer, Harvard Medical School  
Solange Baptiste, International Treatment Preparedness Coalition
- 12:20 pm** **General Discussion**
- 1:00 pm** Luncheon
- 2:00 pm** **SESSION 4: Experiences and Examples in Applying Program Science, Part II**  
Elvin Geng, Washington University in St. Louis  
Frances Cowan, Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine  
Izukanji Sikazwe, Centre for Infectious Disease Research in Zambia
- 3:00 pm** **General Discussion**
- 3:50 pm** **SESSION 5: Experiences and Examples in Applying Program Science, Part III**  
Steve Kretschmer, Desire Line  
[virtual] David Wilson, World Bank
- 4:30 pm** **Plenary Discussion**
- 6:00 pm** Reception and dinner

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 4

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- 7:15 am** Breakfast
- 8:30 am** **SESSION 6: Creating Enabling Environments for Program Science**  
Welcome back, recap, and overview of the day



- 8:40 am** **Open Discussion**
- 9:00 am** [virtual] Parinita Bhattacharjee, University of Manitoba  
Charles Holmes, Georgetown University
- 9:40 am** **General Discussion**
- 10:30 am** **SESSION 7: Navigating Challenges to Operationalizing Program Science**  
James Hargreaves, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine  
Ruth Laibon-Masha, National AIDS Control Council - Kenya  
[virtual] Patricia García, Cayetano Heredia University
- 11:30 pm** **Plenary Discussion**
- 12:30 pm** **Luncheon**
- 2:00 pm** **SESSION 8: Program Science in the Global Context**  
Moderated Panel Discussion  
Leandro Mena, CDC  
[virtual] David Wilson, World Bank  
[virtual] Tisha Wheeler, US Agency for International Development
- 3:00 pm** **General Discussion and Audience Q&A**
- 4:15 pm** **SESSION 9: Way Forward – Communication, Dissemination, and Publication Priorities**  
Plenary Discussion
- 6:00 pm** Reception and dinner

## THURSDAY, MAY 5

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- 7:15 am** **Breakfast**
- 8:30 am** **SESSION 10: Way Forward – Network Development**  
Welcome back, recap, and overview of the day
- 8:40 am** **Open Discussion**



**9:10 am Plenary Discussion**

**10:40 pm SESSION 11: Way Forward – Opportunities for Future Program Science Initiatives**  
Plenary Discussion

**11:40 pm Closing Remarks**  
Geoff Garnett, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

**12:00 pm Program Science Network creation**

12:30 pm Luncheon

2:00 pm Participant departures

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## PARTICIPANTS

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Solange Baptiste, International Treatment Preparedness Coalition (ITPC)  
Marissa Becker, University of Manitoba  
James Blanchard, University of Manitoba  
Frances Cowan, Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine  
Gina Dallabetta, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation  
Mitzy Gafos, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine (LSHTM)  
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Peter Hayward, The Lancet HIV  
Charles Holmes, Georgetown University  
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