



# **MTN-015 and MTN-016 Naming Contest and Instructions for Remainder of Meeting**

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# The Name Game

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- At 2007 MTN Regional Meeting, we had a naming contest for MTN-003
- Many excellent entries (40!)
- Entries from all site countries, MTN CORE, NL, SCHARP, and a few anonymous entries



# You may remember...

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- From Zambia site: PIHVOT
  - Prevention of Infection with HIV through Vaginal and Oral Tenofovir
- From SCHARP: STOP-HIV
  - Study of Topical and Oral Prevention of HIV
- From MTN Network Lab: TED and KITE
  - Tenofovir Every Day
  - Keeping Ted Employed

# And more...

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- From Durban site: OraVag
  - Oral-Vaginal
- From CORE Pitt: AVOID-HIV
  - Assessing Vaginal vs. Oral In Defeating HIV
- From Harare site: M'POWAH
  - Microbicides for Protection Of Women Against HIV

# The Winner!

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- VOICE:  
Vaginal and  
Oral  
Interventions to  
Control the  
Epidemic





# 2008 Contests: MTN-015 & 016

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- Think about
  - Focus of the studies
  - “Catchy” names
- Submit entries to any MTN CORE staff by Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, at 5 pm
- Be sure to include your affiliation with your entry (Site, CORE, NL, etc.)
- Winning team receives new MTN t-shirts



# Some Instructions...

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- Please join us for lunch served shortly in the Jasminium Restaurant – we encourage you to share lunch with someone you may not have met before!
- Please attend and participate actively in breakout sessions today and tomorrow; your participation, questions, and comments from your experience are crucial to their success



# More General Instructions

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- Successful meeting depends on your attendance and participation for the ***entire*** day
- Please set your cellular phones/PDAs to vibrate and refrain from using them in meeting areas





# Laboratory

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- Meeting Rooms 2.44 & 2.45
- Busy agenda today and tomorrow with information on assays that may be new to you and/or your lab, as well as review of information crucial to success of upcoming protocols
- Site presentations planned for later today



# Community Working Group

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- Meeting Room 1.61
- Agenda designed around learning needs identified by the CWG for themselves and their communities
- Includes a variety of capacity-building sessions, some of which further develop information introduced at the CWG Workshop held in Gauteng this past July



# Pharmacy

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- Meeting Room 1.62
- Slightly different format this year – wide variety of topics relevant to a fuller understanding of study products in MTN protocols, including pharmacokinetics and adherence counseling/measurement



# Coordinators

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- Meeting Room 1.63
- New Format: joint sessions with investigators and clinicians
- Based on feedback last year that coordinators and clinicians had many common learning needs, and that site staff wished they could be in two places at once



# Investigators

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- Meeting Room 1.64 (will join 1.63 at times)
- Budget Question and Answer Session with DAIDS
- Only for investigators involved in site budgets
- Today's session is separate from your individual budget session with DAIDS and MTN tomorrow (sign up for timeslot!)



# Tomorrow – 1<sup>st</sup> General Session

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- Carryover from the MTN Annual Meeting this past April, where we highlighted the unique accomplishments of sites in several different areas of study implementation
- Tomorrow's site presentations an opportunity to share best practices – how did you get to be so good at what you do?



# Tomorrow – 2<sup>nd</sup> General Session

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- All address questions important for the success of VOICE
  - How might long-acting birth control methods reduce participants' unplanned pregnancies?
  - What do we need to understand about HIV drug resistance to reassure our stakeholders that the way we implement VOICE adequately addresses their concerns?
  - What do we know about the safety of study products and the likelihood of serious drug-related toxicity?



# E-Course Rotation

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- Meeting Rooms 2.41 & 2.42
- Sponsored by the Global Campaign for Microbicides
- Opportunity to review “Microbicide Essentials”





# Thursday AM Team Meetings

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- All sites need representation at both team meetings to be held on Thursday AM
  - MTN-015
  - MTN-016
- MTN-016 meeting is an opportunity to provide input now before the protocol is finalized



# Thursday General Session

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- While the MTN always wants to move fast, we need to plan transitions carefully and learn from our experience
  - How can 035 close in a way that optimizes efficiency, communication, and data quality?
  - What can we learn from the HPTN 035/CAPRISA 004 co-enrollment that will build capacity at sites for VOICE and other future studies?

# After Thursday General Session

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- Announce the contest winners
- Winners will be judged by committee and the winning entry will be chosen based on its relevance to study focus, relevance to site countries, and originality





# VOICE Team Meeting

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- Several outstanding questions related to our approach to study implementation that need site input
- Again, hearing your site's perspectives will help to define the success of this meeting – we've come along way in the past year, but we still have a ways to go and need to hear your voices clearly



# Manuscript Training

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- Here in the Roof Terrace Room
- Facilitated by Ian McGowan, highly experienced author and editor, and Chair of the MTN Manuscript Review Committee
- Not only for investigators – any site staff member may attend!

# Important Faces to Know

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Please address logistical questions or concerns to Christine Rullo or Kathy McCarthy.



Chris



Kathy

If you are a presenter, and have not yet given your final presentation via USB drive to Daria Smolinski, please do so as soon as possible.



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# Lastly...

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- If you are a “guest” in a breakout session
  - We highly value your questions and comments, but time constraints will force us to keep meetings on topic and focused on site staff participation
- If a meeting is closed (e.g., CWG Business Meeting, Weds.), please respect request and any related signage on doors

# Thanks!

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