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Thursday, 11 May, 2017

Congress Day One

08:00 - 08:40	Registration, coffee and networking
08:40 - 08:50	Welcome from Maarefah Management
08:50 - 09:00	Chairman's welcome and opening remarks
09:00 - 09:30	MOHAP Keynote Speech Invited speaker from the UAE MOHAP
09:30 - 10:00	WHO EMRO Keynote Speech Rana Hajjeh, MD

Vaccination Updates: Regional Review

10:00 - 10:30	Interactive Panel Discussion: Challenges in immunisation and immunisation practices • Introduction of new vaccines into the immunisation programmes • Harmonising vaccination schedules in different settings • The role of the NITAGs in the region, how can they be activated to be up to the task Moderator: Najwa Khuri-Bulos, MD, FIDSA Panelists: Abdullah M. Assiri, MD, FACP Jaleelah Sayed Jawad Rayhan Hashmey, MD
10:30 - 11:00	Networking coffee break
11:00 - 11:30	Review on new vaccines in the market Ibrahim Zaid Bin Hussain, MBBS, ABCP, FAAP
11:30 - 12:00	Adolescent vaccination guidelines Najwa Khuri-Bulos, MD, FIDSA
12:00 - 12:30	Flu vaccine recommendations and guidelines
12:30 - 13:00	Prayer and networking lunch break
14:00 - 14:30	Updates on HPV epidemiology and prophylaxis

HIV

14:30 - 15:00	HIV prevention: Post exposure prophylaxis in the healthcare setting Ali Elgalib
15:00 - 15:30	HIV from saving lives to improving lives Laila M. Al-Dabal, MD
15:30 - 16:00	Networking coffee break

Diagnostics in the Era of Antimicrobial Stewardship

16:00 - 16:30	Impact of newer diagnostic techniques on improving clinical practice Zulfa Omar Al Deesi, MSc, PhD
16:30 - 17:00	New advances in MDR TB diagnosis and management Eiman Mokaddas
17:00 - 17:30	Closing remarks and end of day one

Friday, 12 May, 2017

Congress Day Two

08:30 - 08:50	Registration, coffee and networking
08:50 - 09:00	Chairman's welcome and opening remarks

Managing Infections in 2017

09:00 - 09:30	Understanding adequate antimicrobial therapy Ali Omrani, MSc, FRCP, FRCPath
09:30 - 10:00	Antimicrobial stewardship-can it control AMR and HAI? Ian M. Gould
10:00 - 10:30	Fungal Infections: Updates and guidelines
10:30 - 11:00	Networking coffee break
11:00 - 11:30	Novel strategies to combat antimicrobial resistance Souha S. Kanj, MD, FACP, FIDSA
12:00 - 12:30	Updated guidelines for sepsis management Pierre Tattevin
12:30 - 13:00	Chronic hepatitis B and C treatment

13:00 - 14:00 **Friday's prayer and networking lunch break**

Clinical Challenges: Scenario-Based Discussion

14:00 - 14:30 **Challenging infections in the ICU**
Ali Omrani, MSc, FRCP, FRCPath

14:30 - 15:00 **Challenging infections in immunocompromised patients**
Rayhan Hashmey, MD

15:00 - 15:30 **Challenging infections: Infection control conundrum**
Thamer Hamed Al Enazi

15:30 - 16:00 **Networking coffee break**

Emerging Epidemics and Outbreaks

16:00 - 16:30 **Five years of MersCoV: Knowns and unknowns**
Abdullah M. Assiri, MD, FACP

16:30 - 17:00 **A close review of emerging infectious diseases in the region**

The DICID Quiz

17:00 - 17:30 **Questions to be answered by the audience followed by discussion: Winners will avail valuable prizes**
Ali Omrani, MSc, FRCP, FRCPath

17:30 - 18:00 **Closing remarks and end of day two**

Saturday, 13 May, 2017

09:00 - 11:00 **Hospital acquired infections in the era of antimicrobial resistance: Recommendations for better performance**

11:00 - 13:00 **Measuring performance of antimicrobial stewardship programmes**