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Advocacy for TB, HIV/AIDS, Silicosis in South African Mining Industry

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Outline

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- Background to SA mining industry
- Magnitude of TB in mines
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 Advocacy is a <u>political process</u> by an individual or a large <u>group</u> which normally aims to influence public-policy and resource allocation decisions within political, economic, and social systems and institutions; it may be motivated from moral, ethical or faith principles or simply to protect an asset of interest. Advocacy can include many activities that a person or organization undertakes including media campaigns, public speaking, commissioning and publishing research or poll or the 'filing of friend of the court briefs'. Lobbying (often by lobby groups) is a form of advocacy where a direct approach is made to legislators on an issue which plays a significant role in modern politics



Background information on SA mining industry

Variable	Total mining industry (2009)		amber of Mines 09)
Number of	>1000		248
Mines	Chamber members represent < 20% of mines - 85% of employees - 80% of production		
Employees			
Platinum			<i>(2008)</i> 149 869
Gold	160 102		143 268
Coal	70 703		57 343
Others	77 203		<i>(2008)</i> 27 580
Total	419 922		(2008) 389 068

Magnitude of tuberculosis



Challenges and context



Methods (Strategy since 2009)

Information	Data on TB outcomesTB reviews
Communication	 Participate in national/regional fora Publications (scientific and general public)
Sharing leading practices	 Employer obligations on TB Workshops, TB Interest Group
Lobbying	Mine Health and Safety Council Industry executives (EXCO), Ministers, Paclamethan concentration
	Parliamentary representatives

Results			
Method	Element	Outcome	
Information	Data on TB outcomes	Database not achieved.	
	TB reviews	Successful internal reviews in 2010 and targeted external reviews in 2011.	
Communication	Participate in national/regional fora	DOH and SADC meetings	
	Publications (scientific and general public)	General articles in mining publications, none scientific	
Promote leading practices	Employer obligations on TB	Produced and distributed widely	
	Workshops, TB Interest Group	TB Interest Group established but will function in 2012	
Lobbying	Mine Health and Safety Council	Institutionalization of TB and HIV/AIDS, funding	
	Industry executives (EXCO), Ministers, Parliament	Inclusion of TB indicators in performance, limited success with Minister	

Conclusion

- Advocacy worked although slowly and incrementally.
- Improvements seen in attitude of key stakeholders. Engagement reaps benefits.
- Reliable information critical for any significant advocacy work.

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