



Umoya omuhle is a 3 year study that began in 2017 and uses a whole systems approach to look at infection prevention and control for drug-resistant tuberculosis in clinical settings of South Africa in an era of decentralised care.

The name, Umoya omuhle, means good air in Zulu, and embodies the project vision of bringing a 'breath of fresh air' to current thinking on infection prevention and control.

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TB Stigma Measurement Guidance

"Stigma can be described as a dynamic process of devaluation that significantly discredits an individual in the eyes of others. Within particular cultures or settings, certain attributes are defined by others as discreditable or unworthy. When stigma is acted upon, discrimination may result.

Stigma related to tuberculosis (TB) is receiving well-deserved attention at the policy level."

This USAID/KNGC/Challenge TB book is available [here](#).



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IN THE NEWS

[Hospitals Step Up the War on Superbugs](#) (Sep 8, 2018, Wall Street Journal)

[Toronto hospitals can't force unvaccinated nurses to wear mask, ruling says](#) (Sep 10, 2018, The Global and Mail)

[Drug-resistant TB cases booming in South Africa](#) (Sep 26, 2018, Aljazeera), with [video](#)

POLICY-RELEVANT

The UN High Level-Meeting on TB took place on Sep 26, 2018 at the UNGA. World leaders committed to ensure that 40 million people with tuberculosis (TB) receive the care they need by the end of 2022. They also agreed to provide 30 million people with preventive treatment to protect them from developing TB.

The meeting was met with strong calls to action from across the world. Read what has variously been said about the meeting in [The Lancet](#), [Forbes](#), [MSF](#), [Deutsches Welles](#), [AllAfrica](#), [Devex](#), [HuffPost](#) and others.

Watch the recorded webcast [here](#).

"Today is a landmark in the long war on TB. These are bold promises – to keep them, partnership is vital. WHO is committed to working with every country, every partner and every community to get the job done."

**- Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus
WHO Director-General**



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