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## Global Preterm Birth Prevention Research and Collaboration

Hosted by the March of Dimes (MOD)

**SMFM Annual Meeting, San Diego, USA, 4 February 2015**

- **International Practice guidelines:** WHO will lead work to assess several interventions.
- **Guideline implementation:** WHO will issue documents targeting policy-makers.
- **Clinical trials:** WHO will engage with partners.
- **Discovery research (Metabolomics, genes):** WHO to partner MOD, BMGF, NIH.
- **Epidemiology and global monitoring:** WHO will prioritise for the next 12 months.
- **Better linking of clinical trials and sample collection studies (and biobanking strategies) :** WHO can facilitate.

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