TRT-5 is a coalition of French HIV NGOs working on access to best standard of care and on HIV & Aids clinical research

What is TRT-5?

TRT-5 fights for PLHAs' rights and advocates on their behalf in the fields of research and medical care.

- Access to new treatment strategies for people whose treatment is failing
- Recognition and acknowledgement of specific care needs related to short/long term adverse events/toxicities
- Development of anti-HIV therapies that are easier to tolerate
- Analysis and ethical monitoring of public or industry promoted clinical research protocols
- To bring the needs of PLHAs into scientists' consideration when they set up new research projects or when they design clinical trial protocols i.e. TRT-5 participation in key working groups of the French National Agency for Research on AIDS and viral hepatitis
- Participation in the drafting of new French guidelines on HIV standard of care

Additionally, TRT-5 also gets involved in technical and regulatory issues which have a significant impact on the quality of care of PLHAs

- Important lobby work during the recent adoption of a European Union directive on biomedical research into French law
- Input on setting up of new regional coordination frameworks
- Cooperation with Afssaps (French medicines regulatory agency) on a project about side effects reported by patients, with a view to promote a better understanding of licensed drugs' risk-benefit balance
- Cooperation with the French Ministry of Health and the National Health Insurance (CNAM-TS) on standard of care delivery for the long term sick and disabled in the context of health care provision reform
- Lobbying for the reimbursement of medical tests, devices and drugs improving the quality of care for PLHAs (e.g. fillers for sunken cheeks, HIV drug resistance tests, etc.)

TRT-5 Interventions at the Conference

Tuesday 15

10:30 (Media Center, room 2): Press conference
French Ministry of Health (Presentation of French Guidelines on HIV Standard of Care, with participation of TRT-5 representatives)

Ethical Issues in Clinical Trials: Tenofovir and Beyond (TUAE03)
17:15 TUAE0305: Influencing legislative processes and policy development in order to improve research ethics

Wednesday 16

12:45 WEKC101: Responsibilities of state, community and private sector on research ethics policy: looking back on recent CCR5 antagonist trials