

# RSV GOLD IN PANAMA



## PRESENTATION IN PANAMA

Ichelle van Roessel, medical student, and member of the RSV GOLD team, gave an oral presentation on RSV GOLD on March 18, at the International Pediatric Association (IPA) congress in Panama-city, Panama. She presented the results of an interim-analysis of RSV GOLD with 734 deaths, from 43 countries. In this presentation she gave an overview of the clinical characteristics of children dying with RSV. She also looked at the clinical course of disease and compared this between different income groups. The main conclusions in this presentation were that more than >80 % of children who died with RSV in HIC's have comorbidity, while the majority of children died under the age of 6 months. The lecture of Ichelle at the IPA congress received remarkable interest from the audience.

## FLU GOLD

FLU GOLD is the first global influenza-related pediatric mortality registry. It has the same design as the RSV GOLD project and has its own newsletter. If you are also interested in the FLU GOLD newsletter or if you want to collaborate with FLU GOLD project, please let us know. We can put you in touch with one of our colleagues from the FLU GOLD project.

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## NEW INCLUSIONS

We would like to sincerely thank the following collaborators for contributing new cases:

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- Dr. Shaun Morris and Dr. Waison Wong, The Hospital for Sick Children, Canada
- Prof. Thoon Koh Cheng, KK Women's and Children's Hospital, Singapore

We are happy to share the following facts:

- **1165** cases are included in the RSV GOLD registry
- Collaborators come from **51** countries worldwide
- 7 collaborating countries are LIC's
- Did you know that last week was the World Immunization Week (24 April - 30 April)?

## RSVVW 2019

On November 12-14th, 2019, the ReSViNET Foundation will host its 5th conference "RSVVW 2019 - A Global Conference on Novel RSV Preventive and Therapeutic Interventions" in Accra, Ghana. Registration, abstract submissions and travel grant applications are now open. For more information, please visit our website: <http://www.resvinet.org>.

## MEETINGS

The RSV GOLD team has weekly meetings to discuss how we can improve the methodology, data quality and collaboration methods.

