Dear DTMH Students

Thank you for your interest in the Diploma in Tropical Medicine & Hygiene, taking place in February 2020 at the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine.

I am writing to inform you of a change in the programme schedule. We value our student feedback highly and in response to recommendations from past students we have made some minor changes to the official start and end dates of the course. This will not affect your planned date of arrival at LSTM, which remains the same, however you are asked to spend the week prior to arrival doing some preparatory reading and will complete the course one week earlier as a result.

Week 1 of the course will focus on preparation and be delivered online, to commence on **Monday, 27th January 2020**, one week prior to Registration here at LSTM on **Tuesday 4th February 2020**. You will be given access to our online learning platform, Brightspace, once pre-registration opens at the end of July.

**Week 1 online will begin on Monday 27th January 2020** and will consist of:

1. Study 6 on-line modules: malaria, HIV, TB, global child health (6 hours)
2. Pre-reading according to the reading list (4 hours)
3. Reading of the handbook and other LSTM guides relevant to the course (2 hours)
4. Completion of your online profile on Brightspace (1 hour)

**Week 2** will begin following Registration at LSTM on **Tuesday 4th February 2020**. Due to the shift in dates, the course will finish one week earlier on **Friday 24th April 2020**. **However, there are other opportunities for CPD learning the week commencing 27 April – see end of this email.**

We hope you will appreciate the extra time devoted to preparation, which will provide you with an excellent foundation on which to start from and the extra time at the end of the DTM&H that brings opportunities for further study.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the Admissions Team at **mylstm@lstmed.ac.uk**

With best wishes,

Dr Stephen Allen & Dr Angela Obasi

DTMH Programme Directors
The week following the end of the course will feature other exciting opportunities you may be interested in, including:

**Life Saving Skills & Essential Obstetric Care** – April 2020 - £395 (1 day plus an optional extra afternoon session the following day)

The course is designed to cover the five major causes of maternal death (haemorrhage, sepsis, eclampsia, complications of obstructed labour and abortion) as well as Newborn Resuscitation and Early Newborn Care. This is a very popular course and we advise early application.

**Primary Trauma Care Pre-deployment** - April 2020 - £150 (1 day)

This course is designed to provide participants with the basic skills and confidence to identify and treat severe injury and trauma in LMIC’s. To organise and deliver their own resource poor trauma principles course catered to local staff and resources. To adapt trauma teaching with minimal resources and how best to critically evaluate feedback.

**Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health – ETAT+** £350 (3 day)

ETAT+ is a comprehensive and proven intervention developed specifically for implementation in resource poor settings reaching the poorest and most vulnerable children in rural and peri-urban areas.