



## Speaker Profile

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#### Dr. Carmen Audera



Carmen Audera is currently working as a Technical Officer at the World Health Organization Patient Safety Programme. She is part of the research Unit within the department and is involved in a number of programmes mainly aimed at raising awareness and developing knowledge and expertise to enable member states to make measurable improvements in patient safety. Among other projects she has been involved in the development of tools to measure adverse events which can be used in developing countries, the identification of indicators that can be used to assess patient safety improvements in data poor settings, as well as the development of patient safety curriculum guide.

WHO PS is currently initiating a new line of work focusing on Primary care. Tools to measure patient safety issues in primary care are now being identified.

Carmen started her career as a laboratory researcher in allergy and immunology and for 10 years worked in different projects, mainly in the development of innovative vaccines for allergy immunotherapy both in the USA and Spain. She then made a turn in her career and after obtaining a Masters degree in international Public Health she has been working for the past 15 years in different areas of public health such as HIV/AIDS, Tobacco Control Programmes, and patient safety and in different parts of the World such as 2 African countries (Equatorial Guinea and Côte d'Ivoire) Australia, Spain and now Switzerland