

# CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Theme: "Embracing Public Health Interventions Towards; Building Healthier Communities"

This conference will create a robust rendezyous for researchers, scholars, practitioners, administrators, students and policy-makers from around the world to explore pressing public health issues and bring together latest research on the advances in Public Health. It will take place on June 11-12, 2015 at Gaborone International Conference Centre.

## Conference Sub Themes

- 1. Bio-ethical issues and medical law toward strengthened Public Health policy and practice.
- 2. Country experiences regarding Occupational Health Legislation and policies in the 21th Century
- 3. National health insurance in developing countries, responsiveness, stewardship and fairness of financial contribution
- 4. Education and research in Public Health and its role in effective expansion of an indigenous knowledge base to inform policy makers.
- 5. Best practices, approaches and innovative interventions in Public Health.
- 6. Emerging infectious and lifestyle diseases "lessons learnt"
- 7. Planning for response, modeling for the future in; Disaster Management, Epidemics, Pandemics and Emerging vulnerabilities.
- 8. Empowering and building partnerships with communities as a cornerstone of Primary Health Care strategy, Advocacy and Policies in Public Health for Healthier communities.
- 9. Contemporary issues in HIV/AIDS transmission and interventions.
- 10. Millennium Development Goals (MDGs); where are we in 2015?

## Abstract standards

Abstracts should be of scholarly and pragmatic interest to those in the field of Public Health. A variety of presentation types will be considered, including those reporting research/practice, intersectoral/inter-disciplinary collaborations, and public policy discussions.

- Abstracts will be evaluated based on relevance to conference themes, knowledge contribution (scientific, artistic merit), discursive engagement of delegates and ideological clarity.
- Abstracts which lack academic integrity or have questionable ownership of intellectual property would not be considered
- All abstracts will be peer reviewed.
- The conference committee reserves the right to reject or accept abstracts.

## **Paper Presentation**

Presentations will be 15 minutes in length followed by 5 minutes of discussions. Presentations will be grouped by sub-themes in 60 - 90 minutes moderated sessions.

## **Interactive poster presentation**

Posters will be grouped by sub-themes. Authors will have opportunity to discuss their posters at specific times during the conference. The poster size should be 60cm by 85cm, landscape orientation.

#### **Conference Workshop**

Workshops are distinguished facilitated meeting points where an opportunity is created for interaction and discussion on any of the above themes and the latest public health ideas in a 60 or 120 minute

# Abstract submission quidelines

Abstracts will be evaluated in terms of the importance, timeliness, and relevance of the topic, soundness of approach, and clarity of presentation. The abstracts should not exceed 300 words (excluding titles such as "Introduction" and Methods"); typed in Times New Roman; double spaced; 12-point font.

## Header

- Names of all authors. The first author's name should be listed first with additional authors listed in the lines below
- Organization or School and department the student(s) is representing.
- Email address of first author.
- Title of the abstract (bold) 4.

#### **Body (one paragraph)**

- Background
- b. Methods
- Results C.
- Conclusion/Recommendations.

Abstracts submitted before and presented at other conferences cannot be resubmitted. However abstracts in line with the conference themes and tracks that have been submitted to other conferences and not accepted may be accepted. Abstracts can be submitted electronically through an email attachment to:

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# **Important dates to note:**

30 January 2015: Abstract Submission Deadline 27 February 2015: Abstract Acceptance Notification

30 April 2015: Registration Deadline 11-12 June 2015: Conference Dates



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