



2024 NMS Scientific Conference & AGM

“Intersecting Frontiers: Advancing Global Healthcare through Research, Economics & Technology”

5 - 7 SEPTEMBER | SWAKOPMUND

VENUE : SWAKOPMUND SEASIDE HOTEL & SPA

#NMSCON24 PROGRAM

“To be a leading advocate for healthcare excellence and innovation in Namibia, promoting the welfare of medical professionals and ensuring equitable, high-quality healthcare for all”





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(THURSDAY) SEPTEMBER 5, 2024 : PRE-CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

- 13:00** REGISTRATION OPENS
PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS
- 13:00** A. POCUS ESSENTIALS
13:00 B. ESSENTIALS OF RESEARCH
- 19H00** SOCIAL MEET AND GREET
- Drs Li, Shing, v. Hoving & Mthombeni
Dr Taime Sylvester
- Venue : Strand Hotel

(FRIDAY) SEPTEMBER 6, 2024 : CONFERENCE DAY 1

- 7:30** REGISTRATIONS
- 8:10** Overview of the NMS Scientific Conference & AGM
Dr Tjijandjeua Kandetu, NMS Vice-Chairperson
- 8:15 - 10:00** **SESSION 1: ETHICS AND EVIDENCE BASED MEDICINE**
Session Chair: Dr Vaja Zatjirua
- 8:20** Antimicrobial resistant profile of the ESKAPEE pathogens in Southern Africa: Systematic review and meta-analysis
Mrs Mirjam M Bauleth
- 8:35** The burden and in-hospital mortality of stroke admissions at a tertiary level hospital in Namibia: A retrospective cohort study
Dr Saara Neshuku- Nampala
- 8:50** Digital Marketing for Healthcare
Dr Djeimo Myanyekele
- 9:05** AI in Healthcare: A principlist Approach
Dr Ifeanyi Ofunne
- 9:20** HPCNA
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- 9:35** The new era of Pharmacovigilance - It's everyone's responsibility
Miss Frieda Shigwedha
- 9:50** Q and A
- 10:00 - 10:30** TEA BREAK
- 10:30 - 12:00** **SESSION 2: OFFICIAL OPENING SESSION**
Session Chair: Taimi Amaambo
- 10:30** National & AU Anthem
- 10:35** Prayer
- 10:40** Welcoming Remarks
Her Worship Councilor Dina Namubes
Mayor of Swakopmund
Namibia Institute of Pathology Ltd, Ms Kapena Tjombonde, CEO
Motor Vehicle Accident Fund Ltd , Mrs Rosalia Martins-Hausiku, CEO
- 10:50** Remarks by Key Sponsors
- 11:15** Introductory Remarks
Dr Ruben S Kanime: NMS Board Chairperson
- 11:45** Statement & Introduction of the Key Note Speaker
Mr Ben Nangombe, ED, MoHSS
- 12:05** Keynote Address & Official Opening
Honorable Dr. Kalumbi Shangula, Minister of Health & Social Services
- 12:15** Vote of Thanks
Dr Johannes I Shilongo, NMS Secretary-General
- 12:20** AU & National Anthem
- 12:30** Pictures/ photo shoot/ media briefing



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12:30 - 13:30 LUNCH

13:30 - 15:00 **SESSION 3: HEALTH CARE POLICY AND PLANNING**

13:35 Universal Health Coverage

13:50 Exploring attitudes towards HIV self-testing among men at Katurura Hospital in Windhoek, Namibia: A Constructivist Inquiry

14:05 Rheumatic Heart Disease in Namibia: Evaluating the Burden and the Cost-Effectiveness of a Preventive Strategy

14:20 Unmasked: The Face of Namibian Anaesthesia Workforce

14:35 Legal Services: Status of medicolegal cases and their impact on the Ministry of Health & Social Services

14:50 Q&A

15:00 - 18:00 **SESSION 4A: RECENT ADVANCES IN RESEARCH**

15:05 Research Ethics and Coordination

15:20 Q & A

15:30 - 15:45 HEALTH BREAK

15:45 - 18:00 **SESSION 4B: RECENT ADVANCES IN RESEARCH**

15:50 Immunity to SARS-CoV-2 after vaccination and previous infection: COVID - 19 immunity study, Namibia

16:05 Challenges in assessing surgical margins on cervical LLETZ & Cone biopsies: concerns on sizes, numbers of samples and related complications, a Namibian perspective

16:20 Integrated National Immunisation Schedule Namibia

16:35 The Prevalence of Helicobacter Pylori and Histological Lesions found in a subset of Symptomatic Patients who underwent Upper Endoscopy in Namibia

Session Chair: Dr Akutu Munyika

Mr. Abrosius Uakurama

Miss Ligamena Kakoma

Dr Panduleni P Shimanda

Dr Theresia Shivera

Ms Hilma Naimbale

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16:50	Diagnosing CKD: The Clinical Laboratory position and perspective	Dr Lavinia Uuyuni
17:05	Data-Driven Surgery: Empowering Policy & Practice	Prof. Hyla-Louise Kluyts (VIRTUAL)
17:20	Degenerative scoliosis: management challenges and opportunities in a LMIC setting	Dr Marcel D Ndayishyigikiye
17:35	Group A Streptococcal (GAS) surveillance in Southern Africa: Rationale and design of the Namibian AFROStrep pilot study	Mrs. Ndahafa Mpako
17:50	Q & A	Chair

(SATURDAY) SEPTEMBER 7, 2024 : CONFERENCE DAY 2

8:00 - 10:00	Session 5: HEALTH TECHNOLOGY/TELEHEALTH APPLICATIONS	Session Chair: Dr Lavinia Uuyuni
8:05	Global Healthcare Innovations: Discuss precision medicine, its benefits, implications and progress in Africa	Mr Willem Kamutuva Kanyondi
8:20	Applications of 3D printing Technology	Dr Ester Angula
8:35	E-Health Strategic Plan	Mr. Joseph Mudjuu
8:50	Health Care in the Age of technology in Namibia	Dr Magano Akuaake
9:05	3D Printing in Craniomaxillofacial Surgery – A glance at how to enhance planning, precision and patient care. How can other disciplines benefit?	Dr Harald Gleissner (VIRTUAL)
9:20	Tuberculosis and Malaria Portable Molbio Diagnostic Technology	Dr Jacob Sheehama
9:35	A review of clinical antimicrobial resistance and virulence gene characterisation	Dr Mwangala Nalisa
9:50	Q & A	Chair
10:00 - 10:30	TEA BREAK	



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10:00 - 10:30 TEA BREAK

10:30 - 10:45 **SESSION 6: HEALTHCARE FINANCING & MEDICAL AIDS**

10:35 National Health Insurance

10:50 PSEMAS Reforms

11:05 Plenary: Innovative Reforms for Sustainable Healthcare Funding

11:45 - 14:30 **SESSION 7A: TRAINING HUMAN RESOURCES FOR HEALTH**

11:50 Insight into the HRH Strategic Plan, Fellowship, HRH Policy

12:05 The role of Public Service Commission in facilitating the attainment of Human Resources for Health targets in Namibia

12:20 Q & A

12:30 - 13:30 LUNCH

13:30 Needle Stick Injuries and Training

13:40 COSECSA: Namibia's Gateway to Global Surgery

13:50 Plenary : Discussion: Our individual and collective roles as Stakeholders in Training HRH

14:30 - 15:30 **SESSION 8: THE WELL-BEING OF HEALTHCARE WORKERS**

14:35 Developing a framework for managing work-life balance within the Namibian Public Health Sector

14:50 Presentation on The Wellbeing of Healthcare workers by MoHSS Wellness Division

15:05 A snapshot of mental health symptoms in a cohort of healthcare workers at a tertiary hospital complex in Namibia during the COVID-19 pandemic

15:20 Q & A

15:30 - 15:45 Health Break

15:45 - 18:15 **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

18:30 **GALA DINNER & AWARD CEREMONY**

Session Chair: Mr Denver Kisting

Dr Kgosi Letlape

TBA

Panelists TBA

Session Chair: Dr Linda Nangombe

Ms. Selma Amwaama

Public Service Commission

Ntiushya Simfukwe

Dr Celestine Mbangtang

Panelists TBA

Session Chair: Dr Michael Tune

Miss Maria Tulonga Niimwene

Ms Waltraud Munkanda

Dr John Abebrese

Agenda is TBA, but only to NMS members who are in good standing
Venue is Swakopmund Plaza Hotel