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INTERNATIONAL PRIMARY HEALTH CARE CONFERENCE.



JAKAYA KIKWETE CONVENTION CENTER, DODOMA
25TH-27TH, MARCH 2024

WELCOME NOTE

Welcome to International Primary Healthcare Conference (IPHC) 2024!

On behalf of the President's Office, Regional Administration and Local Government (PO-RALG), I extend a warm and heartfelt welcome to all delegates, participants, esteemed speakers, and distinguished guests to the International Primary Healthcare Conference (IPHC 2024) here in Dodoma.

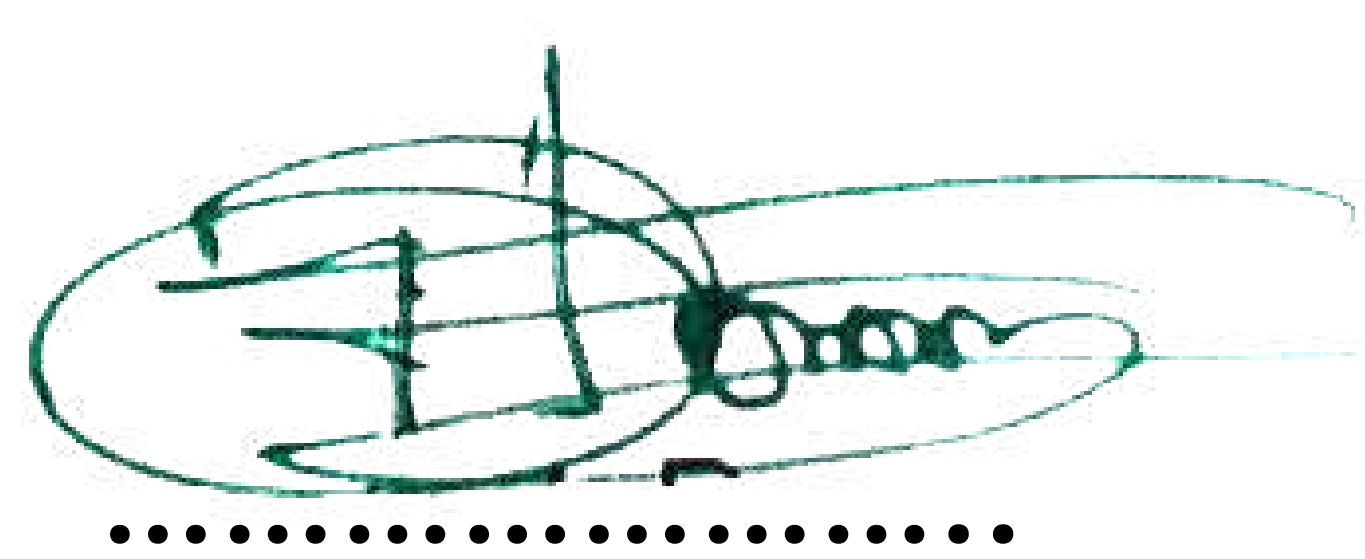
The main theme of this conference, "**Primary Health Care (PHC) as a Vehicle for Achieving Universal Health Coverage (UHC) in Tanzania**," addresses one of the most important pillars of our nation's development. This conference comes at an opportune time as Tanzania strengthens its efforts to achieve UHC for all its citizens.

I am confident that IPHC 2024 will be a vital platform for exchanging knowledge, experiences, and best practices in strengthening primary healthcare in our country. Professionals from within and outside Tanzania will have the opportunity to discuss existing challenges and opportunities, as well as develop collaborative strategies to improve the health of our citizens.

I commend the sponsors and organizers of this conference for their excellent work in preparing this important event. I encourage all participants to actively engage in the conference sessions, workshops, and networking opportunities. Let us leverage this platform to generate actionable ideas and pave the way for a future where healthcare is accessible and affordable for all. I eagerly await the full participation of all healthcare professionals and stakeholders in the discussions and activities that will take place here in Dodoma.

I believe that together, we can strengthen primary healthcare and achieve the goal of UHC for the benefit of all Tanzanians.

I wish you a productive and enriching time during the conference.

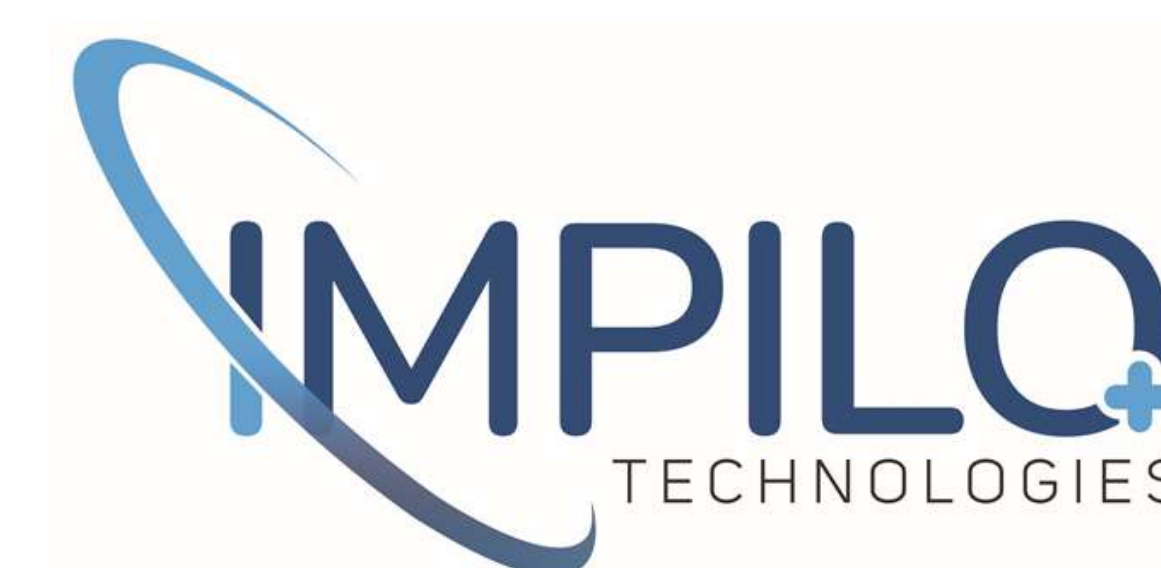
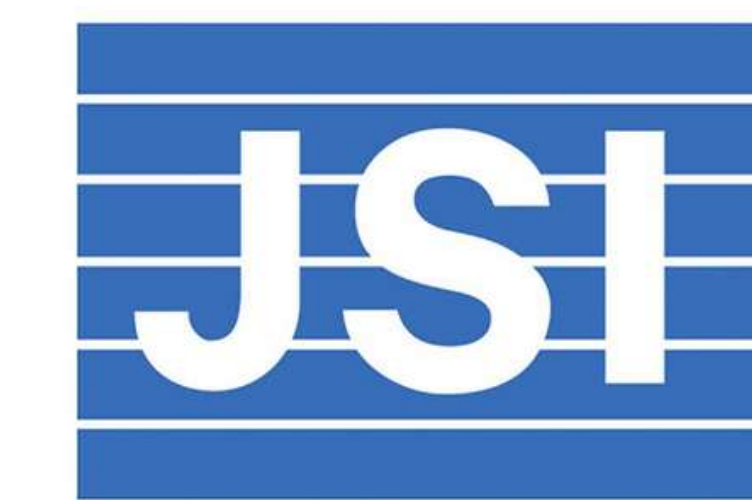


Hon. Dr. Festo J. Dugange

Deputy minister of State,

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1ST INTERNATIONAL PRIMARY
HEALTHCARE CONFERENCE (IPHC 2024)

Towards UHC

THEME: Primary Health Care (PHC) as a vehicle for the journey to achieve Universal Health Coverage (UHC) in Tanzania

This conference will explore the critical role of Primary Health Care (PHC) in achieving Universal Health Coverage (UHC) for Tanzania. PHC serves as the foundation of a strong health system, providing essential, accessible, and equitable services to all citizens. By focusing on prevention, early detection, and treatment at the primary level, Tanzania can build a more cost-effective and efficient healthcare system.

The conference will delve into strategies for strengthening PHC in Tanzania. This includes expanding access to facilities, particularly in underserved areas, along with ensuring a well-trained workforce and adequate resource allocation. Additionally, the conference will explore innovative approaches to improve service delivery, community engagement, and health promotion initiatives.

By fostering collaboration between policymakers, healthcare professionals, and community leaders, this conference aims to chart a clear path for leveraging PHC as the driving force for achieving UHC in Tanzania.



FORUM DAY 1

MONDAY, 25 MARCH 2024			
6:30 AM – 10:00	Registration Tent	Registration & Breakfast	
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	MAIN HALL	OPENING CEREMONY	
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM	DINING HALL	Lunch	
3:00 PM – 4 :30 PM		FORUMS TITLE/ABSTRACT	ORGANIZATION
	MAIN HALL	Realizing Sustainable Financing for Primary Health Care	UNICEF
	KAWAWA HALL	Beyond Business as Usual: Implementation Research and Practice in Primary Health Care.	UNICEF
	RUBONDO HALL	Abstracts Presentation	

FORUM DAY 2

TUESDAY, 26 MARCH 2024

08:00 AM - 09:30 AM		MAIN HALL		Keynote Session: The Evolution of Primary Health Care (PHC) in Tanzania: Past, Present, and Future	
09:30 AM - 11:00 AM		FORUMS TITLE/ABSTRACT			ORGANIZATION
		MAIN HALL	Control and Elimination of Neglected Tropical Diseases For Achieving Universal Health Coverage in Tanzania: Progress Towards Reaching the Last Mile.		
		KAWAWA HALL	Use of regional acceleration strategy in primary healthcare to accelerate efforts towards sustainability of health programs in Tanzania		
		ZANZIBAR HALL	Building Resilience: Primary Health Care Strategies for Climate and Emergency Preparedness		
		RUBONDO HALL	Abstract Presentations		
		SECRETARIAT HALL	Abstract Presentations		
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM		DINING HALL	Breakfast		
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM		FORUMS TITLE/ABSTRACT			ORGANIZATION
		MAIN HALL	Contribution of Faith Community Engagements (FCE) in Improving Primary health Care		
		KAWAWA HALL	Financing Maternal Care Services at Primary Healthcare in the Context of Universal health Coverage		
		ZANZIBAR HALL	The roles of social welfare in accelerating the Universal Health Coverage in Tanzania		
		RUBONDO HLL	Abstracts Presentation		
		SECRETARIAT HALL	Abstracts Presentation		
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM		DINING HALL	Networking/Lunch		
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM		FORUMS TITLE/ABSTRACT			ORGANIZATION
		MAIN HALL	Unveiling the Power of Digital Health: Scaling Up Electronic Medical Records in Tanzania's Primary Care.		
		KAWAWA HALL	HRH in Perspective of PHC Where we Came From, where we are and Where we Want to be.		
		ZANZIBAR HALL	National Public Health Institute (NPHI) Establishment in Tanzania		
		RUBONDO HALL	Abstracts Presentation		
		SECRETARIAT HALL	Abstracts Presentation		
3:30 PM - 5:00 PM		FORUMS & SPECIAL ISSUES			ORGANIZATION
		MAIN HALL	Essential Emergency and Critical Care (EECC) in Tanzania: “Tiba okovu na huduma msingi kwa wagonjwa mahututi”		
		KAWAWA HLL	Sustainable financing for HIV within Primary Health Care		
		ZANZIBAR HALL	Optimizing PHC facilities for deployment of Universal Health insurance in the United Republic of Tanzania.		
		RUBONDO HLL	Abstracts Presentation		
		SECRETARIAT HALL	Abstracts Presentation		
5: 00PM – 6:00 PM		DINING HALL	Networking Cocktail		

FORUM DAY 3

WEDNESDAY, 27 MARCH 2024			
8:00 AM - 09:30 AM	MAIN HALL	Keynote Session: Exploring Untapped Potential: Primary Healthcare Research Agenda	
09:30 AM - 11:00 AM	FORUMS TITLE/ABSTRACT		ORGANIZATION
	MAIN HALL	Overcoming performance challenges in PHC services delivery	WHO
	KAWAWA HALL	Leadership and governance for primary health care: Tanzania's experience in training development and implementation	GIZ
	ZANZIBAR HALL	Towards Ensuring Access to SRH Services Among Young People and People with Disability as a Key Milestone to UHC in Tanzania: Challenges and Opportunities	Engender Health
	RUBONDO HALL	Abstract Presentation	
	SECRETARIAT HALL	Abstracts Presentation	
11: 00 AM – 11: 30 AM	DINING HALL	Breakfast	
11:30 AM -1:00 PM	FORUMS/ABSTRACTS		ORGANIZATION
	MAIN HALL	From vision to Reality, ensuring timely and safe emergence transportation for mothers and babies as a cornerstone of primary healthcare accessibility and equity	M-MAMA
	KAWAWA HALL	Best Practices Forum	
	ZANZIBAR HALL	Nutrition in Primary Healthcare in Tanzania: The past, current and Future Outlook	PO-RALG
	RUBONDO HALL	Abstract Presentation	
	SECRETARIAT HALL	Abstracts Presentation	
1:00 PM – 2:00	DINING HALL	Networking/Lunch	
2:00 PM – 3: 30 PM	FORUMS & ABSTRACTS		ORGANIZATION
	MAIN HALL	Special Issues	
	KAWAWA HLL	Customer Care Workshop	CRDB & NMB
	ZANZIBAR HALL	Abstracts Presentation	
	RUBONDO HLL	Abstracts Presentation	
	SECRETARIAT HALL	Abstracts Presentation	
3:30 PM - 5:30 PM	CLOSING CEREMONY		ORGANIZATION
		Awards presentation	MAIN HALL
		Conference summary & Closing remarks	
		Farewell reception, Networking & Refreshments	

Keynote Sessions

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KEYNOTE 1

The Evolution of Primary Health Care (PHC) in Tanzania: Past, Present, and Future

Keynote 1 Objectives

The IPHC 2024 keynote session embarks on a journey through the evolution of Primary Health Care (PHC) in Tanzania. This session will explore the historical roots of PHC initiatives, tracing their impact and development over time. We will delve into the current state of PHC in Tanzania, highlighting successes, ongoing challenges, and emerging trends.

Looking towards the future, expert panelists will discuss innovative strategies and visions to strengthen PHC and ensure its continued relevance in achieving Universal Health Coverage (UHC). This interactive session aims to foster a deeper understanding of PHC's historical significance, inspire collaborative problem-solving for existing challenges, and envision a future where PHC thrives as the cornerstone of healthcare delivery for all Tanzanians.



Dr. Ulrika Baker
Moderator

Dr Ulrika Baker is a Health manager for Primary Health Care with UNICEF Tanzania since 2019. She has a background as a medical doctor with a master's degree in public health from London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and has worked extensively on health systems and quality of maternal and newborn care as a clinician, public health practitioner and academic researcher and lecturer in Sub Saharan Africa for the past 20 years, including in Eritrea, Uganda, Malawi, and Tanzania.



Dr. Wilson Mahera
Keynote Speaker

Dr. Mahera currently serves as the Deputy Permanent Secretary for Health, Social Welfare, and Nutrition Services at PORALG. With a background in academia and extensive experience in election management as the Director of Election at the National Electoral Commission (NEC). He holds degrees from the University of Dar-es-Salaam, Masters from the University of Zimbabwe, Harare, and a PhD from Delft University of Technology, Netherlands.



Dr. Rashid S. Mfaume
Panelist

With 19 years' experience, he directs Health, Social Welfare, and Nutrition Services at PORALG, blending expertise in public health, business administration, and leadership. Past roles include district and regional medical officer positions, contributing to strategic planning, policy dissemination, and emergency preparedness. He advises on regional and local government planning and serves on Muhimbili National Hospital's Board of Trustees, demonstrating commitment to healthcare advancement at various levels of governance.



Dr. Paul Chaote
Panelist

Assistant Director responsible for health services in President Office Regional Administration and Local Government. Dr. Chaote is Medical Doctor with Masters of Public Health. He has more than 15 years of experience in Management of health services from the level of a District to National level. He is an accomplished Researcher with over 30 publications



Dr. Godfrey Mtey
Panelist

Dr. Godfrey Mtey is a retired Principal Medical Officer and former Regional Medical Officer with extensive managerial experience in health systems management and operational research. He holds degrees from the University of Dar es Salaam and the University of Dodoma, Tanzania, and has studied in Norway and Japan. Dr. Mtey has supervised various health improvement projects and participated in numerous training programs and conferences globally.



Ms. Subisya Kabuje
Panelist

Subisya Kabuje is Assistant Director for social welfare services at PORALG with masters in social work. She possesses extensive knowledge and experience in the social welfare services. Subisya has held various positions throughout her career including serving as council council social welfare incharge at Temeke council in Dar es Salaam region and coordinator for child protection in Tanzania. She is a specialist of mental health and psychology support.



Mr. Luitfrid Peter Nnally
Panelist

Mr. Luitfrid Nnally, the Assistant Director of Nutrition Services at the President's Office Regional Administration and Local Government of Tanzania, is a seasoned Nutrition Research Scientist. With expertise in policy analysis, strategic planning, and advocacy, he specializes in program design, econometric modeling, food security, and lifecycle nutrition. Holding a Master's in Agricultural Economics, a Post Graduate Diploma in Food and Nutrition Security, and a Bachelor's in Human Nutrition, he excels in science communication and program management.

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KEYNOTE 2

Exploring Untapped Potential: Primary Healthcare Research Agenda

Keynote 2 Objectives

This session will critically examine existing research gaps and challenges hindering progress towards Universal Health Coverage (UHC) in Tanzania. Experts will delve into areas requiring further investigation, including social determinants of health, community engagement strategies, and the effectiveness of interventions in diverse primary healthcare settings. Through interactive discussions, the session aims to identify key research priorities, foster collaboration among researchers and stakeholders, and chart a course for robust primary healthcare research that informs policy, strengthens service delivery, and ultimately, paves the way for achieving UHC for all Tanzanians.



Dr. Stephen Kibusi

Moderator

Dr. Stephen Kibusi, holds a PhD in public health from the Tokyo Medical and Dental University (Japan) and a Masters in Health System Management from the Dalhousie University (Canada). He has worked as a Lecturer at the Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences (MUHAS) from 2007 to 2014 before being appointed Dean School of Nursing and Public Health at the University of Dodoma. His expertise is on Health Systems and Public Health Implementation Science.



Prof. Bruno Sunguya

Keynote speaker

Professor Bruno is an Associate Professor of Public Health Nutrition at the School of Public Health and Social Sciences, and the Deputy Vice Chancellor, Research and Consultancy at Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences. He is also a Visiting Associate Professor of Kumamoto University in Japan. He has over ten-year experience in Public Health Nutrition, Nutrition and Food Security, Adolescent, Maternal and Child Health Research, Health Systems Research, and HIV/AIDS research.



Dr. Ubuguyu Omary

Panelist

Dr. Omary Ubuguyu is an Assistant Director at the Ministry of Health in Tanzania with over 15 years of experience in NCDs, Mental Health, and Injuries. He is a PhD Candidate and serves on various boards. He has extensive experience in program design, teaching, and research in the health field, with over 30 publications.



Prof. Blandina T. Mmbaga

Panelist

Prof. Blandina , a paediatrician at Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Centre (KCMC), is involved in clinical, teaching, and research activities. She holds a PhD from the University of Bergen and is the Director of the Kilimanjaro Clinical Research Institute (KCRI) and research at Kilimanjaro Christian Medical University College. Dr. Mmbaga is an Adjunct Associate Professor of Duke Global Health, leads clinical trials for HIV and TB, and conducts research on various diseases including AMR, NCDs, oncology, mental health, trauma, and more. She mentors students at all levels and aims to support healthcare improvement through research in Tanzania and Africa.



Dr. James Tumaini Kengia

Panelist

Dr. Kengia, a seasoned Public Health Specialist, serves as the Coordinator for Research and Publication at the President's Office-Regional Administration and Local Government. With a background spanning hospital and health system management at large. He holds notable qualifications including a Ph.D. in Public Health Leadership from Tokyo Medical and Dental University, Japan and an MBA for Medical Doctors from University of Applied Science Neu-Ulm, Germany. Dr. Kengia's expertise extends to teaching at the University of Dodoma, where he imparts knowledge in Health System Management, Health Economics, and Leadership since 2017.



Dr. Salma Mahmoud

Panelist

Dr. Salma Abdi Mahmoud, Dean of the School of Health and Medical Sciences at the State University of Zanzibar, specializes in Obstetrics and Gynecology. She actively participates in prestigious committees such as ECSACOG, AGOTA, and ZAHRI, alongside university committees. With a PhD in Lymphatic Tumor Metastasis from Dalian Medical University, China, and a Bachelor's in Medicine from Hubert Kairuki Memorial University, Tanzania, she contributes extensively to healthcare projects and research, boasting numerous medical publications.

Forums

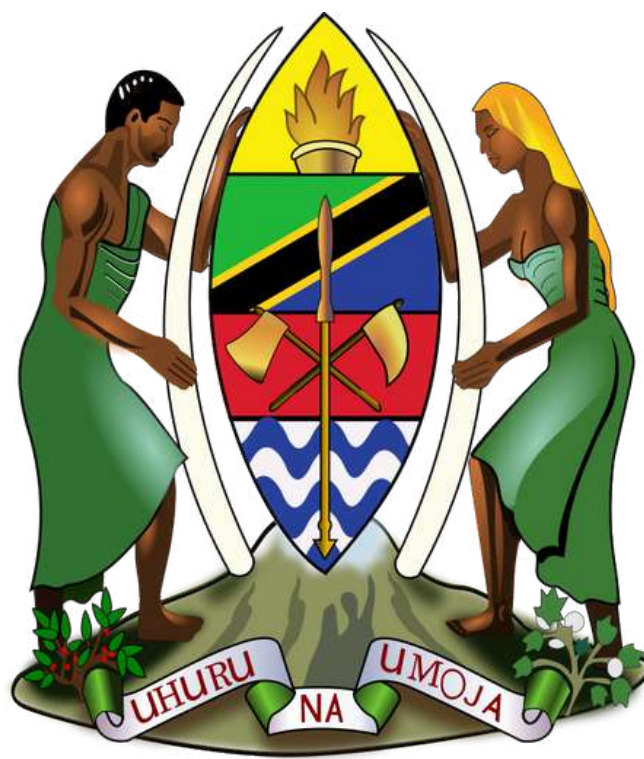
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Health Forum



Realising sustainable financing for Primary Health Care.

Aim of the Forum

This forum will convene stakeholders from across the primary health care (PHC) landscape to chart a course towards sustainable financing. Through interactive sessions and knowledge exchange, participants will explore innovative financial models, public-private partnerships, and strategies to leverage technology for improved resource allocation. The forum aims to identify and address critical challenges, fostering collaboration to secure long-term financial stability for PHC systems. By building consensus on best practices and charting a path forward, the forum will empower stakeholders to realize a future where accessible, high-quality primary care is a reality for all.

This collaborative forum serves as a platform for stakeholders to unite and strategize on sustainable financing within the primary health care (PHC) sector. By bringing together diverse voices and perspectives, the forum aims to facilitate insightful discussions and foster innovative solutions. Participants will engage in dynamic sessions that encourage the sharing of expertise and the exploration of cutting-edge financial models. Emphasis will be placed on the potential of public-private partnerships and the integration of technology to optimize resource allocation and enhance service delivery.

By establishing common ground on effective strategies and setting a clear direction for the future, the forum seeks to empower stakeholders to create a healthcare landscape where primary care is not only accessible but also of the highest quality for all individuals.



Dr. Gemini Joseph Mtei

Moderator



Dr. Charles Mahera

Panelist



Dr Grace Magembe

Panelist



Dr. Paul Ngwakum

Panelist



Ms. Elise Lang

Panelist



Dr Ntuli Kapologwe

Keynote speaker



Mr Meshack Anyngise

Panelist



Dr. Galbert Fedjo

Panelist



Dr Salum Bakari

Presenter



Mr. Lusajo Ndagile

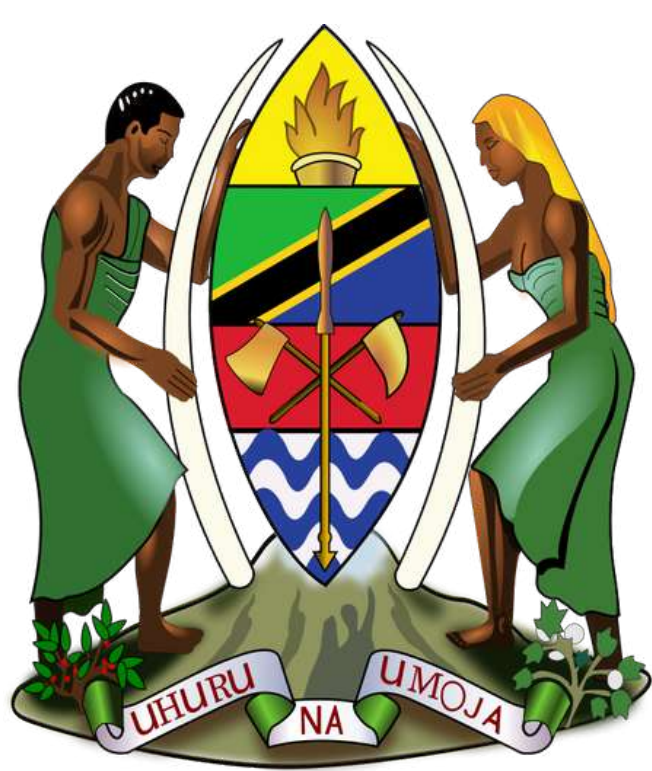
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Health Forum



Beyond business as usual: implementation research and practice in Primary Health Care.

Aim of the Forum

The Forum aim to provide an inspiring, thought-provoking, and practical introduction to current knowledge surrounding implementation research and practice in primary healthcare reflects a commitment to fostering innovation and progress within Tanzania's healthcare landscape. By convening experts, policymakers, and practitioners, this initiative aims to shed light on emerging trends, methodologies, and best practices in implementation science. Through engaging discussions and interactive sessions, participants will have the opportunity to delve into the intricacies of implementation research, exploring how evidence-based interventions can be effectively translated into real-world primary healthcare settings.

Nevertheless, the forum serves as a platform to examine the potential of integrating implementation research into primary healthcare services in Tanzania, particularly on equity and accessibility. By addressing barriers to effective implementation and identifying strategies to promote inclusivity, stakeholders can ensure that all communities, regardless of socio-economic status or geographical location, have access to high-quality primary healthcare services. Through collaborative efforts and a commitment to evidence-based practice, this initiative seeks to pave the way for a more equitable and effective primary healthcare system in Tanzania.



Prof. Tumaini Nagu

Moderator

She was appointed as the Chief Medical Officer (CMO) of Tanzania in October 2022. Prof Nagu obtained her Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of Dar es Salaam in 2002 and her Master of Public Health Methodology from Université Libre De Bruxelles in 2003. She graduated with a Master of Medicine – Internal Medicine from Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences (MUHAS) in 2008 and has worked as the Head of Department of Internal Medicine at Muhimbili National Hospital. Prof Nagu holds a Ph.D. in Medical Science from Karolinska Institutet – Stockholm, Sweden, which she obtained in December 2017.



Prof. Anna Bergström

Keynote Speaker

Associate Professor Anna Bergström is a Swedish implementation scientist currently holding positions at Uppsala University and Karolinska Institutet. Anna's interest in implementation transcends traditional academic boundaries, and she therefore also serves as a senior implementation expert in Stockholm Region, Sweden. Anna has a passion for education and has developed courses at MSc and PhD levels in implementation science for 10 years and is also engaged in capacity in countless practitioners, equipping them with the tools necessary to effect meaningful change through implementation practice.



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Dr. Kasusu Nyamuryekung'e

Panelist

Dr Kasusu Nyamuryekung'e is a dental surgeon, a researcher, and a Lecturer at the School of Dentistry at MUHAS. He graduated as a Doctor of Dental Surgery (2009) at MUHAS, received his postgraduate diploma in Global Health from the University of Tampere, 2009, an MPhil in International Health from the University of Bergen (2012) and PhD in Public Oral Health with a focus in Health Economics from the University of Turku, Finland in 2019. He has been involved in implementation research in the areas of Community Health and quality of maternal and newborn care in Tanzania.



Dr Ulrika Baker

Panelist

Dr Ulrika Baker is a Health manager for Primary Health Care with UNICEF Tanzania since 2019. She has a background as a medical doctor with a master's degree in public health from London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and has worked extensively on health systems and quality of maternal and newborn care as a clinician, public health practitioner and academic researcher and lecturer in Sub Saharan Africa for the past 20 years, including in Eritrea, Uganda, Malawi, and Tanzania.



Ms Chipole Yusuf

Panelist

Ms Chipole Yusuf Mpelembe is a Senior Health Systems Specialist at the President's Office Regional Administration and Local Governments, United Republic of Tanzania. She holds a Master of Science in Project Management, Monitoring, and Evaluation in Health, a master's in business administration, and several other certifications in organizational development and governance.

Forums

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Ministry of Health Forum

CONTROL AND ELIMINATION OF NEGLECTED TROPICAL DISEASES FOR ACHIEVING UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE IN TANZANIA: PROGRESS TOWARDS REACHING THE LAST MILE

Aim of the Forum

The aim of the forum titled "Control and Elimination of Neglected Tropical Diseases for Achieving Universal Health Coverage in Tanzania: Progress Towards Reaching the Last Mile" is to convene stakeholders from across sectors to assess and advance efforts in combating neglected tropical diseases (NTDs) as part of Tanzania's journey towards achieving universal health coverage (UHC). With a focus on reaching the last mile, the forum seeks to evaluate the progress made in controlling and eliminating NTDs, identify remaining challenges, and strategize innovative approaches to ensure that no one is left behind in accessing essential healthcare services. By fostering collaboration and knowledge exchange, the forum aims to galvanize collective action towards the ambitious goal of eradicating NTDs and realizing equitable healthcare for all Tanzanians.

Furthermore, this forum aims to emphasize how important it is to connect efforts to control and eliminate NTDs with the wider goal of achieving Universal Health Coverage (UHC) in Tanzania. By discussing how NTDs affect people's health and the economy overall, participants will learn how important it is to treat NTDs to uphold UHC principles of fairness, availability, and quality of medical care. The forum hopes to foster cooperation and attract resources for effective NTD control measures by fostering teamwork and strategic planning. This will contribute to the overarching goal of ensuring everyone in Tanzania has access to healthcare.



Dr. Ntuli Angyelile Kapologwe(PhD)

Moderator

Dr. Kapologwe, Director of Preventive Services at the Ministry of Health, is a distinguished Public Health Specialist with extensive leadership experience. He has contributed over 50 articles to peer-reviewed journals and serves on the editorial board of the East African Journal of Applied Health Monitoring and Evaluation. With a PhD from the University of Dodoma, his research focuses on the impact of Direct Health Facility Financing in Tanzania. He also holds an MBA-IHM from Swiss TPH and MPH from Tumaini University, Tanzania, along with an MD from the University of Dar Es Salaam.



Dr. Yahya Derua

Panelist

Dr. Derua is a Senior Research Officer at the National Institute for Medical Research, specializing in medical entomology and parasitology. With a PhD in Mosquito Larvae Ecology and Control, he has extensive experience in researching mosquito-borne diseases such as malaria and lymphatic filariasis. His contributions include studying mosquito ecology, behavior, and control interventions, notably in developing innovative methods like using ivermectin for malaria vector control. Dr. Derua's research has led to significant findings on vector composition shifts and disease transmission dynamics, reflected in his numerous publications in international journals.



Dr. Clarer Jones Mwansasu

Panelist

Dr. Clarer Jones Mwansasu is a Parasitologist/Entomologist and researcher currently serving as the Program Manager for Neglected Tropical Diseases Control Program at the Ministry of Health, Tanzania. With expertise in coordinating and implementing NTD control/elimination activities, she oversees interventions and operational surveys to strengthen surveillance. Previously, she taught Parasitology and Medical Entomology at the University of Dodoma.



Mr. Douglas Ndeki

Panelist

Douglas Ndeki is a seasoned Health Systems Manager with over a decade of experience in Tanzania. Currently serving as the Health Secretary for the Tanzania Maternal and Child Health Investment Program, funded by the World Bank, he leads strategic planning and evaluation efforts. Douglas has played a pivotal role in drafting key healthcare guidelines and developing project management systems, facilitating efficient resource allocation and service delivery. With a Master of Science in Health Monitoring and Evaluation, Douglas remains dedicated to advancing healthcare initiatives and addressing pressing challenges in Tanzania.



Dr. Akili Kalinga(PhD)

Moderator

Dr. Akili Kalinga, a Tanzanian Senior Public Health Research Officer at the National Institute for Medical Research (NIMR), boasts a 23-year tenure focused on Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) research. With a PhD in Medical Sciences, he specializes in epidemiology and control research, particularly in Lymphatic Filariasis and Onchocerciasis. Dr. Kalinga's leadership extends to heading the public health and promotion section at NIMR, while also serving as the Tanzanian principal investigator for various research projects including the TAKEOFF consortium. He is a member of expert committees and technical working groups, contributing significantly to NTD elimination efforts in Tanzania and globally.

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Health Forum



Financing Maternal Care Services at Primary Health Care in the Context of Universal Health Insurance (UHI)

Aim of the Forum

The objectives of this forum are multifaceted, aiming to glean insights from successful healthcare financing initiatives such as the Health Equity Fund in Zanzibar and the 'MomCare' project in Manyara. By examining the establishment and operation of the Health Equity Fund, participants will uncover valuable lessons in financing healthcare for vulnerable populations, offering a blueprint for other regions grappling with similar challenges. Similarly, the sharing of experiences from the 'MomCare' project will provide a nuanced understanding of demand-side financing for maternal care, offering practical insights into improving maternal health outcomes and enhancing healthcare accessibility.

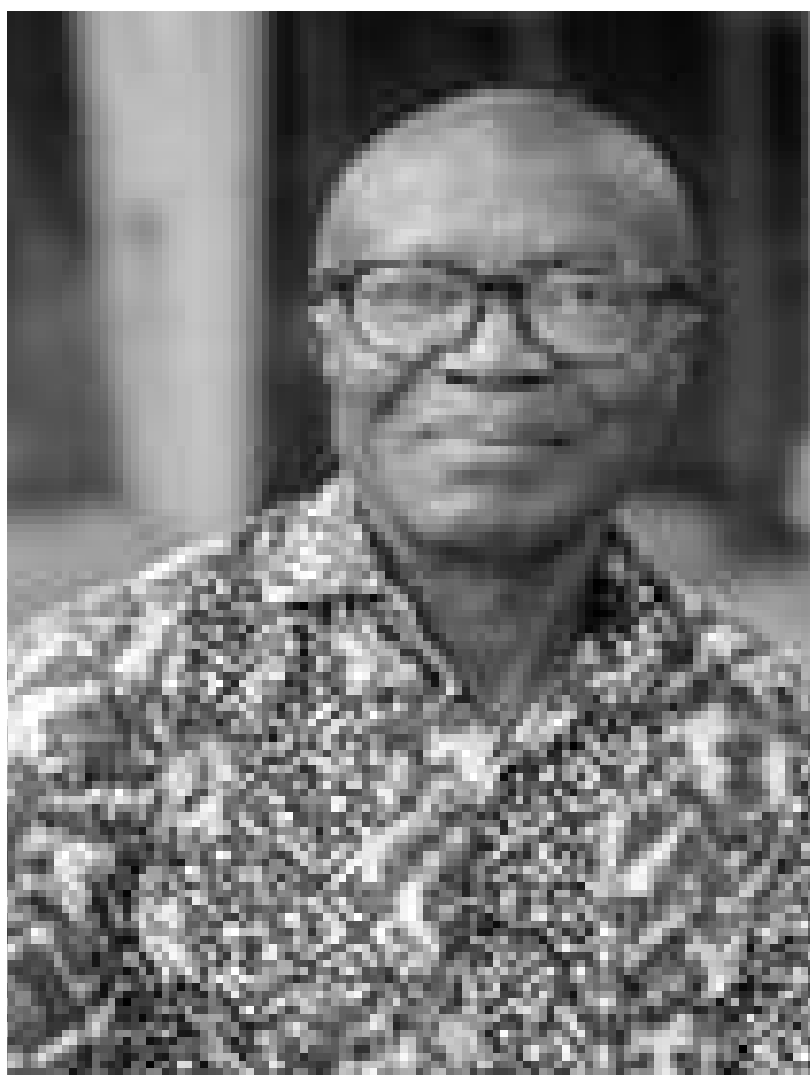
In addition, the forum seeks to explore the intersection of technology and maternal care services, recognizing the transformative potential of digital innovations in expanding healthcare coverage. Discussions will center on leveraging technology to improve access to maternal care services, particularly in remote or underserved areas, thus addressing disparities in healthcare access. Furthermore, the forum aims to catalyze strategic partnerships between public and private stakeholders, essential for scaling maternal care services at the primary healthcare level. By fostering collaboration and synergy among diverse actors, participants will identify opportunities for collective action and sustainable solutions to advance maternal health initiatives in Tanzania and beyond.



Zamaradi Mbega

Moderator

She has experience of nearly 15 years working in various industries, including customer service, partnership management, and product management. Since 2012, Zamaradi has been working on projects to protect low-income people through health insurance and alternative healthcare models. She is currently working with PharmAccess – Tanzania, overseeing the design and implementation of innovative health care models.



Dr. Kwasi Boahene

Keynote Speaker

He is Director of Health Systems at PharmAccess. He is a champion of sustainable financing and innovations of African health and development systems for the past 3 decades. Dr Boahene believes that with good governance, sustainable investments and innovations, everybody in Africa, irrespective of their wealth, can have access to better care.



Dr. Heri Marwa

Panelist

He works at PharmAccess (Tanzania) as the Country Director. He has been the Country Director since May 2019. Heri completed his Medical Doctor degree at the University of Dar es Salaam and also obtained a Master's degree in Health Policy and Financing. Before joining PharmAccess, Heri spent most of his career working at senior management positions at private health insurance companies and also as an independent consultant.



Dr. Costa Urban Ndunguru

Panelist

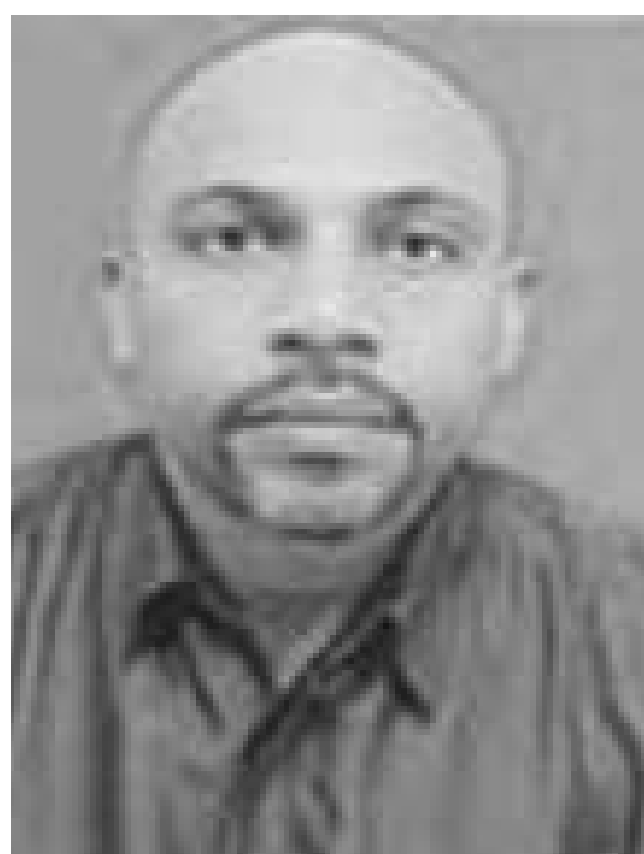
He is a Medical Doctor who graduated at Kilimanjaro Tumaini University in 2016 (KCMUC.o). Since 2019 to date, he has been working as a Medical Officer incharge of Magugu Health Centre. Prior to that, he served as a clinical officer at various facilities in Babati district. He has a strong passion for maternal and child care as well as public health.



Neema Kafwimi

Panelist

She is a Digital health specialist, with over 6 years of experience working at the intersectionality of technology and healthcare. She currently works at PharmAccess where she supports the design and implementation of digital health interventions. Neema holds a Bachelor's degree in Mathematics and is currently still pursuing a Master's in Computational Data Analytics at Georgia Institute of Technology.



Mr Abdul-Latif Haji

Panelist

He is the Director of Planning, Policy and Research at the Ministry of Health Zanzibar. He is an Economist and Public Health Specialist. He has devoted 90 percent of his skills in the area of health system strengthening specifically in designing and implementing the ongoing health financing reforms in the Islands. His recent activities include the establishment of Zanzibar Health Services Fund which is now in operation. The Fund will provide health insurance scheme to formal sector employees. In addition, he is involved in costing exercise of health and other health related interventions.



Ms. Alphoncina Kagaigai

Panelist

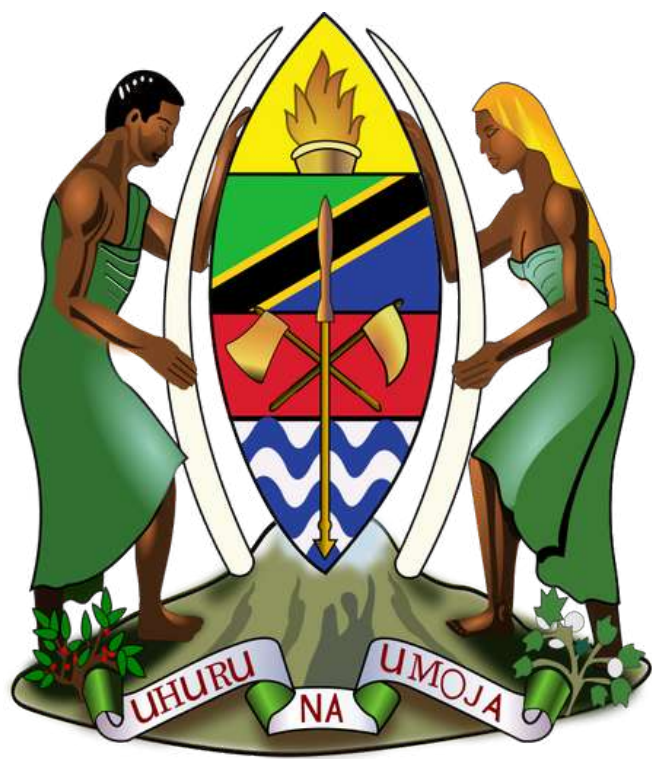
She is an emerging female health economist who works as an Assistant Lecturer at Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences (MUHAS) at the School of Public Health and Social Sciences. She holds a master's degree in Economics and a bachelor's degree in Economics and Statistics from the University of Dar Es Salaam. Alphoncina will soon defend her PhD thesis in Health Economics at the University of Oslo, Norway with a Project titled "Towards Universal Health Coverage: The Case of Improved Community Health Fund (iCHF) in Rural Tanzania"

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Health Forum



HRH in Perspective of PHC: Where We Came From, Where We Are, and Where We Want to Go

Aim of the Forum

Aims to comprehensively explore the evolution, current status, and future directions of Human Resources for Health (HRH) within the context of Primary Health Care (PHC). By delving into historical perspectives, participants will gain insights into the pivotal role of HRH in shaping PHC systems globally. Through interactive discussions and knowledge sharing, the forum seeks to assess the current landscape of HRH within PHC, examining challenges, successes, and innovative practices across different regions. Furthermore, the forum endeavors to chart a path forward by identifying strategic priorities and collaborative initiatives aimed at strengthening HRH capacities, promoting workforce resilience, and advancing equitable access to quality healthcare services within PHC frameworks, ultimately contributing to the achievement of universal health coverage goals.

By fostering dialogue among policymakers, healthcare professionals, educators, and community advocates, the forum aims to facilitate interdisciplinary collaboration and knowledge exchange. Through case studies, best practices, and lessons learned, participants will explore strategies to address HRH shortages, enhance training and education programs, and promote retention and motivation among healthcare workers. Moreover, the forum will provide a platform for stakeholders to articulate their visions and aspirations for the future of HRH in PHC, fostering consensus-building and collective action towards building resilient and sustainable healthcare systems that meet the evolving needs of communities worldwide.



Dr Yahya Ipuge

Dr. Yahya Ipuge is a seasoned independent healthcare consultant with 30+ years of diverse experience across East and Southern Africa. Holding an MD from the University of Dar es Salaam and an M.Med in Microbiology and Immunology from the University of Bergen, Norway, he specializes in health policy, system strengthening, and disease control. With senior roles in government, NGOs, and private sectors, Dr. Ipuge has contributed significantly to public health programs, partnering with renowned organizations like WHO, USAID, and the World Bank. He's also a prolific writer with numerous publications and holds leadership positions in multiple organizations. Passionate about folklore, he enjoys sharing stories with his grandchildren.



Dorosella Njunwa

Dorosella is the Regional Health Secretary for Shinyanga, she oversee the delivery of quality healthcare services by coordinating planning and implementation efforts. Dorosella prioritize the well-being of her community by fostering collaboration among healthcare stakeholders and supporting skilled workforce. Committed to innovation and excellence, she continuously strive to meet the evolving healthcare needs of our region.



Dr. Samwel Ogillo

Dr. Ogillo, CEO of APHFTA, is actively involved in policy formulation in the East African Region and consults for WHO, contributing to UHC2030 and IHP+. As a member of WHO's Private Sector Engagement Advisory Group, he guides member states on private sector collaboration towards achieving UHC. Dr. Ogillo also serves on the Board of NHIF Tanzania, spearheading innovative health programs addressing HIV/AIDS, TB, NCDs, healthcare quality improvement, management, and finance accessibility in the private sector.



Saturini Manangwa

Saturini Manangwa is a dedicated Registered Nursing Officer and Public Health Specialist, currently serving as the Assistant Director for Quality of Nursing and Midwifery Services at the Ministry of Health. With a strong educational background including a Bachelor of Science in Nursing, an MSc in Tropical Disease Control, and a Post Graduate Diploma in Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights, Saturini brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise to his role. With extensive experience in nursing and midwifery education, as well as health systems at the policy level, he has been an active member of the Human Resources for Health Technical Working Group (HRH TWG). Saturini is committed to advancing healthcare quality and accessibility, advocating for evidence-based policies and strategies to improve public health outcomes.



Hamisi Abdallah Mkunga

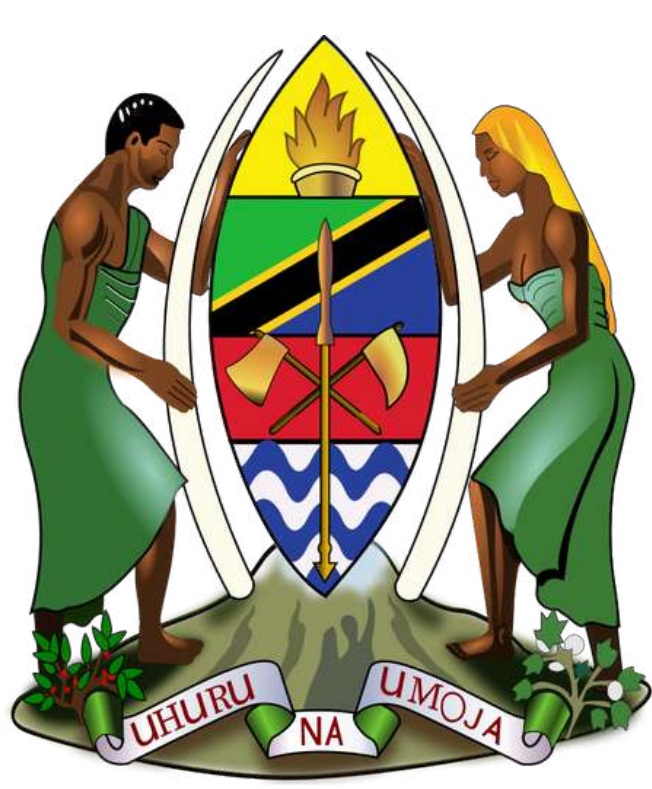
Hamis Abdallah Mkunga is a seasoned professional in Administration and Human Resource Management with extensive experience across government, private sectors, and academia. Armed with a Master's in Public Administration and a Bachelor's in Political Science, he's dedicated to human capital development. His diverse roles include key positions in electoral processes and publications on governance.

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Health Forum



Sustainable financing for HIV within Primary Health Care

Aim of the Forum

The forum is designed to foster open dialogue and collaboration among stakeholders to address key challenges, share valuable insights, and capitalize on opportunities in financing vertical health programs. By emphasizing sustainable integration within primary healthcare systems, participants aim to explore innovative approaches that ensure long-term viability and effectiveness. Through sharing lessons learned and discussing challenges, the forum seeks to cultivate a deeper understanding of the complexities involved, ultimately leading to the development of actionable strategies and policy recommendations.

With a focus on practical outcomes, the forum endeavors to identify concrete steps and policy measures that can be implemented to enhance the financing of vertical health programs. By engaging in robust discussions and drawing upon collective expertise, participants strive to generate meaningful recommendations that address current gaps and leverage available resources more effectively. Through this collaborative effort, the forum aims to empower stakeholders with actionable insights and guidance to navigate the complexities of financing healthcare programs, ultimately contributing to improved health outcomes and strengthened healthcare systems.



Dr. Jerome Phillip Kamwela

Dr. Jerome is Acting Executive Director at Tanzania Commission for AIDS, is a public health specialist with extensive experience in Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E). With 15 years at TACAIDS, he previously served as Director of M&E and interim Executive Secretary. Jerome transitioned from dentistry to public health after obtaining an MPhil from the University of Bergen. He holds an MBA from Mzumbe University and teaches M&E courses at various institutions. Beyond work, he enjoys farming, game safaris, and mountain climbing.



Dr. Catherine Canute Joachim

Dr Catherine, is a highly experienced health system specialist with over two decades of expertise in planning, managing, and coordinating public and private health services in Tanzania. Trained as a medical doctor and holding an MSc in Global Health Systems, she leads strategic programs for HIV, TB, and Malaria National Control, successfully mobilizing resources from global health initiatives. Catherine excels in health policy/strategies development, program management, and stakeholder coordination, with exceptional analytical and interpersonal skills.



Dr. Muhajir Kachwamba

Born in 1973, is a former senior lecturer of Institutional and Development Economics at Mzumbe University. He holds a Master's degree in Project Management from the University of Agder, Norway, and a PhD in International Management. Founder of MASSA Institute of Social Sciences Research, he currently serves in the Policy Analysis Department at the Ministry of Finance, Tanzania, with publications spanning Foreign Direct Investment, strategic planning, and public policy.



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Dr. Godfrey Kway

Dr. Godfrey Kway, a Public Health Specialist, has 10+ years' experience in health system strengthening, particularly in the private sector. As Chief of Party for a USAID project, he focuses on sustaining Faith-based health facilities. With a background in public and private sectors, Dr. Kway collaborates with NGOs and International Organizations to advance community health in Tanzania. His expertise includes Quality Improvement Programs, governance enhancement, and innovative models for elevating medical service quality



Dr Grace Mallya

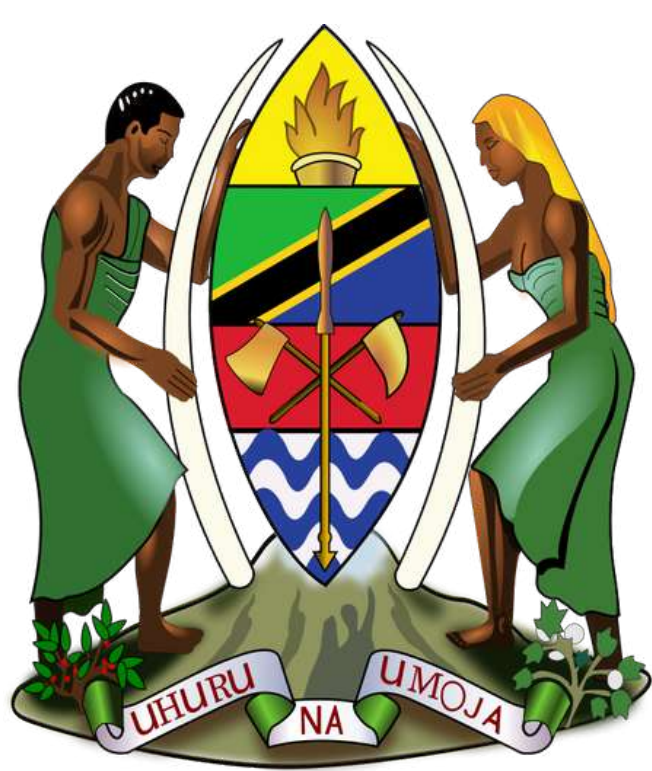
Dr Grace Mallya has more than 10 years of national and international experience in the field of health and development. Within UNAIDS she provides oversight to the youth, communities, gender, and human rights portfolio. Before Joining UNAIDS, she worked at the Tanzania Ministry of Health where she led the national adolescents and gender in reproductive health program. Dr. Mallya holds a Doctor of Medicine degree from Kilimanjaro Christian Medical College and a Master of Medicine in Pediatrics and Child Health from Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences. She is a Tanzania national.

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Health Forum



Building Resilience: Primary Health Care Strategies for Climate and Emergency Preparedness

Aim of the Forum

The Jhpiego Forum underscores the vital role of robust primary health care systems in safeguarding public health amidst the challenges of climate change and health emergencies. By recognizing primary health care as the cornerstone of inclusive, effective, and efficient health provision, the conference highlights its significance in achieving universal health coverage, combating emerging infectious diseases, and responding effectively to the impacts of a shifting climate.

The COVID-19 pandemic has underscored the indispensable nature of primary health care, not only in sustaining essential services but also in effectively managing health crises.

It is imperative to learn from this experience to strengthen health emergency prevention, preparedness, response, and resilience. Additionally, as climate change continues to exacerbate health challenges and complicate response efforts, governments are increasingly prioritizing strategies to mitigate its impact. Integrating climate resilience into health systems is essential to address the multifaceted health needs of communities facing the intersecting challenges of climate change and emerging diseases. Through interactive panel discussions and group deliberations, the conference aims to generate practical recommendations and formulate a Call to Action for enhancing Tanzania's primary health care, particularly in the context of global health security and climate change.



Ms. Alice Christensen

Moderator

Alice Christensen, RN, CNS, MSN, is a clinical nurse specialist with a robust background in public health programming, particularly in HIV/AIDS, TB, and nursing education. With over twelve years of international field experience, she has managed diverse health programs and conducted research trials in Tanzania. As the Country Director for Jhpiego Tanzania, she oversees a substantial portfolio and leads the PEFAR-funded Global Reach II project across five countries. Ms. Christensen's expertise spans clinical practice, program management, training, and research in various African nations.



Dr. Rita Noronha

Keynote Speaker

Dr. Noronha, a seasoned Public Health Specialist, has over a decade of experience focusing on Reproductive, Maternal, and Newborn Health. Joining Jhpiego in 2017, she swiftly progressed to Chief of Party roles for USAID-supported projects. Before Jhpiego, she held leadership positions at Amref Health Africa Tanzania and UNFPA Tanzania. With an MD from the University of Dar es Salaam, she furthered her education with Masters degrees in Public Health from the Institute of Tropical Medicine, Antwerp, and Health Service Research from Erasmus University Rotterdam.



Dr. Goodluck Tesha

Panelist

Dr. Goodluck Tesha, MD, MIPH, is a proficient public health specialist with a medical doctor background. With extensive experience in managing donor-funded projects related to malaria, tuberculosis (TB), HIV, and data systems in Tanzania, she excels in strategic planning and technical support. Currently spearheading a CDC Global Health Security project, Dr. Tesha provides crucial assistance to the Global Fund on Covid-19 response mechanisms, emphasizing data utilization for program effectiveness from national to community levels.



Ms. Pallavi Kumar,

Panelist

Pallavi Kumar, Deputy Chief of Party-NISHTHA at Jhpiego, India, boasts over 20 years of expertise in Reproductive and Sexual Health, Maternal and Child Health, Nutrition, Gender, and Community Engagement. She has served prestigious organizations like the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, UNFPA, and Pathfinder International. Currently focusing on the USAID-supported project "NISHTHA," she integrates WASH and RMNCHA to achieve universal health coverage for marginalized communities. Her initiatives emphasize community engagement models, institutional capacity-building, and local partnerships, backed by a master's in Human Rights and Rural Development.



Dr Pius Kagoma

Panelist

Dr Pius is the coordinator for clinical services at the President's Office-Regional Administration and Local Government (PORALG) in the Division of Health, Social welfare, and Nutrition services. He is a senior public health specialist with immense experience in the healthcare system and management and leadership. He holds a degree in medicine (MD), Master in Public Health (MPH). Currently, he is a PhD. student at the University of Dodoma involving on how to bringing high-quality knowledge in the decision-making process in the public health system.



Dr. James Tumaini Kengia (Ph.D.)

Panelist

Dr. Kengia, a seasoned Public Health Specialist, serves as the Coordinator for Research and Publication at the President's Office-Regional Administration and Local Government. With a background spanning hospital and healthcare industry roles, he holds notable qualifications including a Ph.D. in Public Health Leadership from Tokyo Medical and Dental University. Dr. Kengia's expertise extends to teaching at the University of Dodoma, where he imparts knowledge in Health System Management, Economics, and Leadership since 2017.

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Health Forum



Unveiling the Power of Digital Health: Scaling Up Electronic Medical Records in Tanzania's Primary Care

Aim of the Forum

The forum, "Unveiling the Power of Digital Health: Scaling Up Electronic Medical Records in Tanzania's Primary Care," endeavors to unite stakeholders vested in advancing the adoption and efficacy of electronic medical records (EMRs) within Tanzania's primary healthcare domain. Central to its mission is the facilitation of dialogue among government representatives, healthcare practitioners, technology specialists, and researchers, aiming to exchange insights, share successful practices, and introduce innovative approaches pertinent to EMR implementation. Through this collaborative platform, participants will collectively delve into strategies tailored to surmount challenges, harness the full potential of digital health systems, and enhance the quality of healthcare delivery and patient outcomes across Tanzania's primary care landscape.

This forum aims to initiate significant improvements in Tanzania's healthcare system, particularly in primary care. By fostering discussions and sharing knowledge, the forum seeks to make a substantial impact. The forum will focus on ways to increase the use of electronic medical records (EMRs) to enhance data accuracy, streamline processes, and optimize resource utilization. The ultimate objective is to provide high-quality healthcare services to all Tanzanians. The forum brings together individuals from various sectors who collaborate to advance Tanzania towards a future where digital health technologies enhance healthcare delivery, reduce health disparities, and improve overall health outcomes.



Prof. Daudi Simba

Moderator



Mr. Erick Kitali

Keynote Speaker



Dr. Felix Sukums

Panelist



Ms. Sultana A. Seiff

Panelist



Ms. Wendy Erasmus

Panelist



Mr. Silvanus Ilomo

Panelist

Distinguished figure in public health, holding the position of Professor at the Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences (MUHAS) in Dar es Salaam. His expertise encompasses teaching, research, and consultancy in critical areas such as primary healthcare service management, health information systems, and healthcare quality. Having served at the Ministry of Health from 1993 to 2001 within the Directorate of Policy and Planning, Health Management Information System (HMIS) section, Professor Simba played a pivotal role in the design and nationwide implementation of the HMIS.

Mr Erick has been the Director of ICT at PORALG since 2015. He has overseen the design, development, and deployment of critical nationwide systems (PlanRep, Tausi, FFARS, GoTHOMIS, MUSE, Selections, Wezesha App) used by local government across various sectors. Leading local government ICT for a decade, he's spearheaded countrywide systems adoption, connecting more than 30 thousand facilities, and managing financial, medical supplies and human resources.

Sukums is a Senior Lecturer and Consultant in Digital Health and health information systems at MUHAS with over 20 years of experience. He holds a MSc and MSc in Computer Science from the University of Dar es Salaam in Tanzania and a PhD in Medical Informatics from Heidelberg University. Dr. Sukums served as a Director of ICT at MUHAS between 2015-2020. He is a member of the Digital Health Technical Working Group in Tanzania and the EAC Regional Expert Working Group on Digital Health, Data, Technologies, and Innovation.

Seasoned professional serving as the Manager of Standards and Compliance at the e-Government Authority (e-GA) in Tanzania. She is currently entrusted with overseeing, coordinating, and promoting e-Government Initiatives, ensuring adherence to e-Government policies, laws, regulations, standards, and guidelines across public institutions. With a solid educational background, Sultana holds an MSc in Health Informatics and a BSc in Computer Science from the University of Dar es Salaam.

A mother and child health specialist with over 30 years of experience working in multi-sectoral programming in international development and emergencies. She has worked with UNICEF for over 15 years and was previously the Chief of Health in the Pacific multi-country office. She holds an MSc in Mother and Child Health from the Institute of Child Health, University of London, and a BSc in Physiology from McGill University.

A seasoned Senior Systems Analyst with a decade of dedicated experience in spearheading transformative initiatives within the Tanzanian health sector. His expertise lies in driving the transition towards digital solutions, laying the groundwork for foundational frameworks, and shaping the strategic direction of digital initiatives nationwide. Currently, Mr. Ilomo serves as Director in Information & Communication Technologies at the Ministry of Health, Tanzania.

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The roles of social welfare in accelerating the Universal Health Coverage in Tanzania

Aim of the Forum

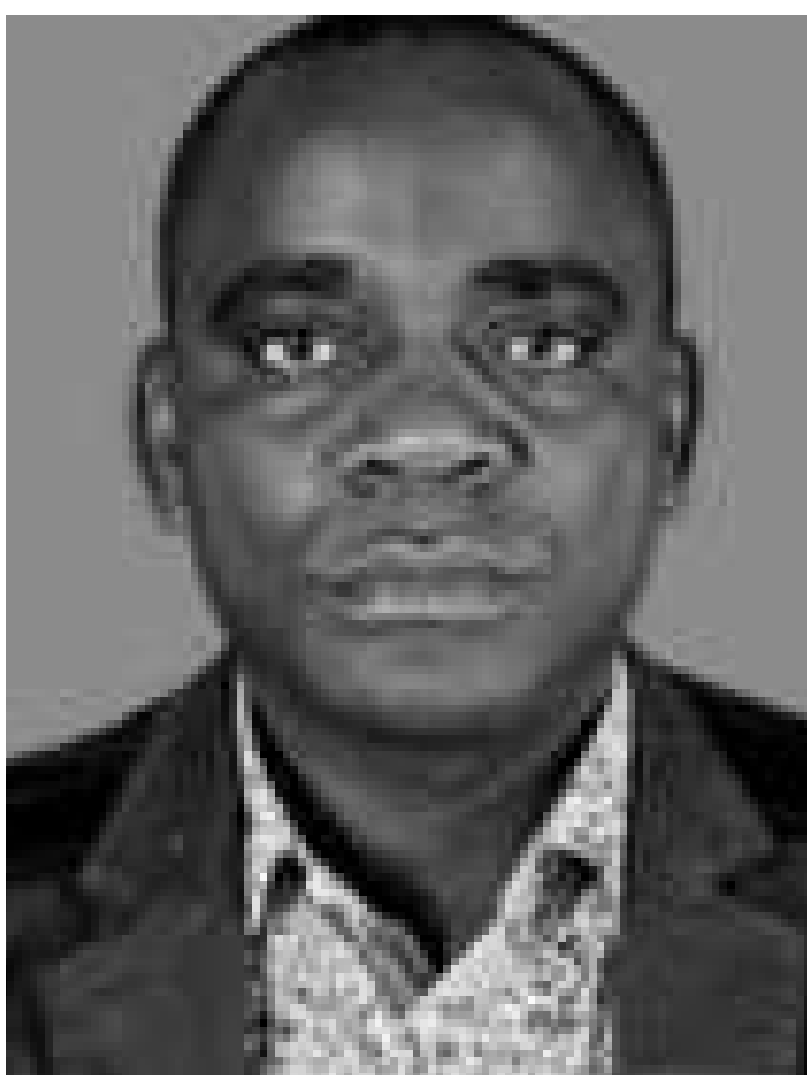
The roles of social welfare in accelerating Universal Health Coverage (UHC) in Tanzania" aims to examine the pivotal contributions of social welfare initiatives towards achieving comprehensive healthcare accessibility and affordability for all Tanzanians. By scrutinizing the intersection of social welfare policies and healthcare delivery systems, this endeavor seeks to uncover synergies that can optimize UHC implementation strategies. Through comprehensive analysis and dialogue, the aim is to identify key areas where social welfare interventions can complement and enhance existing healthcare frameworks, ultimately fostering a more inclusive and resilient healthcare ecosystem in Tanzania.

The Forum seeks to create practical suggestions and policy recommendations for policymakers and relevant parties. This will guide them in using social welfare mechanisms to speed up progress toward UHC objectives. By encouraging collaboration across disciplines and sharing knowledge, the goal is to spark groundbreaking changes. This will guarantee equal access to top-notch medical care while reducing social and economic barriers. The project to investigate the impact of social welfare on UHC in Tanzania seeks to encourage ongoing improvements in the healthcare system, ultimately raising the well-being and success of its residents.



Dr. Nandera Ernest Mhando

Commissioner for Social Welfare at the Ministry of Community Development, Gender, Women, and Special Groups, with a PhD in Social Anthropology from Goldsmiths, University of London. Previously a senior lecturer at the University of Dar es Salaam, her research delves into development, gender, religion, child rights, health, and livelihood. Recent work covers urban vendors, disability, critical gender, Pentecostal-charismatic churches, Christianity's impact on African religion, charity works, circumcision, and gender in agriculture.



Dr. Rashid Mfaume

Dr. Mfaume, Director of Health, Nutrition, and Social Welfare Services at PO-RALG, holds an MD and MPH from Muhimbili University. With vast healthcare experience, including roles as Regional Medical Officer and District Medical Officer, he's renowned for strategic leadership in public health management. Dedicated to improving healthcare outcomes, Dr. Mfaume champions community health initiatives, showcasing expertise and commitment in addressing health challenges effectively.



Dr. Ntuli Angyelile Kapologwe

Dr. Kapologwe, Director of Preventive Services at the Ministry of Health, is a distinguished Public Health Specialist with extensive leadership experience. He has contributed over 50 articles to peer-reviewed journals and serves on the editorial board of the East African Journal of Applied Health Monitoring and Evaluation. With a PhD from the University of Dodoma, his research focuses on the impact of Direct Health Facility Financing in Tanzania. He also holds an MBA-IHM from Swiss TPH and MPH from Tumaini University, Tanzania, along with an MD from the University of Dar Es Salaam.



Dr. Levina Kikoyo

Levina is the Country Director for Pact Tanzania and ACHIEVE Project Director, recognized for her strategic leadership in development, health, and humanitarian sectors. With a history of delivering impactful results, she has held key roles including Deputy Chief of Party for Pact-USAID Kizazi Kipya project and Deputy Program Director for FHI 360's Pamoja Tuwalee program. Levina holds degrees in law, business administration, and a Ph.D., emphasizing her commitment to driving systemic change.



Felista Sambua

Felista is a Lead Community Case Worker in Hananasifu Ward, Kinondoni Municipal Council, Dar es Salaam. Trained in National Integrated Case Management Systems and Early Childhood Development interventions, she's supported by the USAID-funded ACHIEVE Project by Pact Tanzania. Felista oversees 25 Community Case Workers, aiding 20 households, including those with Children Living with HIV and HIV-exposed infants. Her efforts have notably improved health and socio-economic outcomes for the households she serves.



Magdalena Pilly Songoma

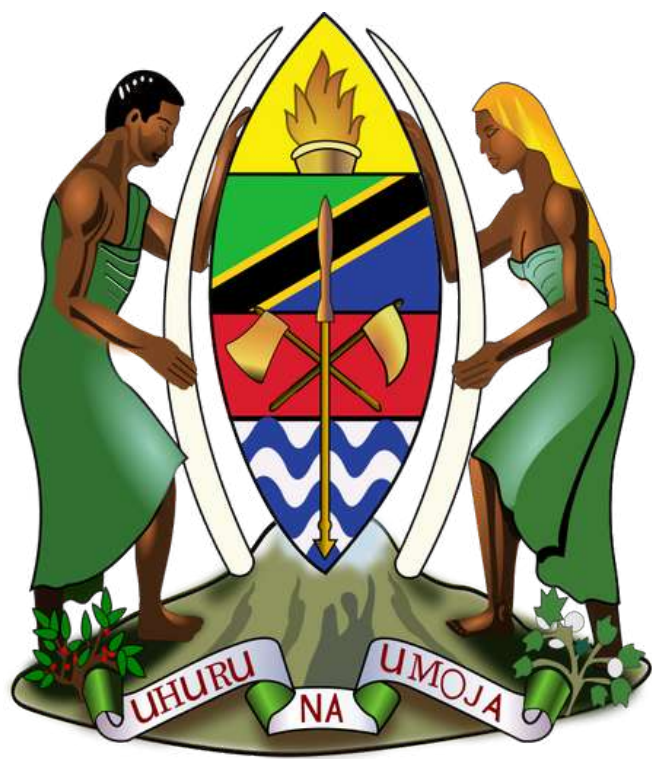
Magdalena, a District Social Welfare Officer in Mbeya, oversees vital social welfare services, ensuring individuals and families in need receive necessary support. With extensive experience, she previously served as a VCT and ART Counselor in Ngorongoro and Illeje districts, displaying a strong dedication to enhancing the well-being of those affected by HIV/AIDS through counseling and facilitating access to life-saving treatments.

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**Elizabeth Glaser
Pediatric AIDS Foundation**
Fighting for an AIDS-free generation



Health Forum

Use of regional acceleration strategy in primary healthcare to accelerate efforts towards sustainability of health programs in Tanzania

Aim of the Forum

Since 2004, EGPAF in Tanzania has worked with regional and council health management teams, building their organizational capacity to plan, budget, and manage HIV/TB programs promoting the path to country ownership. In 2019, EGPAF Tanzania adopted the innovative Regional Accelerated Strategy plus (RAS) that identifies regional health priorities through a SWOT analysis with the local leadership teams to drive ownership of antiretroviral programs. With the RAS, EGPAF works with the Regional/Council health management teams (Local Government Authorities-LGA's) with transparency to ensure ownership, accountability and sustainable path to country ownership.

The plans are informed by regional specific challenges where tailored program plans are developed jointly, financial investments, technical collaborations and logistical support are provided to facilitate the implementation, monitoring, and reporting on the RAS approach building local commitment and capacity to fully execute the plans and monitor performance, with sustainability lens. The session will start with a short overview presentation of the RAS strategy, followed by a panel of experts including Implementing Partner, PEPFAR coordinator in Tanzania and the government of Tanzania to provide the opportunity to share their experiences on the sustainability pathway; what has worked, the challenges and how to sustain health programs over time. The session will be finalized with a practical experiences from the field by the RAS teams.



Prof. Jesca Green

Jessica Greene, a seasoned global health expert with over two decades of experience, specializes in program management and implementation, notably in sub-Saharan Africa focusing on HIV prevention. As the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) Country Coordinator in Tanzania, she oversees a \$400 million budget, driving growth in US-Tanzania relations and spearheading evidence-based health interventions. Greene holds a Master's in Health Science from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health.



Dr. Moses Bateganya

Moses Bateganya, the Senior TB and HIV Advisor at USAID Tanzania, supports USAID-funded TB and HIV initiatives. With extensive experience, including roles at FHI 360 and CDC, he specializes in HIV and TB interventions. Bateganya holds degrees in medicine, surgery, internal medicine, and public health from Makerere University and the University of Washington, with over 20 years of global HIV and TB/HIV implementation experience.



Dr. Sajida Julius Kimambo

Dr. Sajida Julius Kimambo, Country Director at Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation (EGPAF) Tanzania, brings over 18 years of expertise in international development, clinical medicine, and public health. She leads HIV/AIDS program design, implementation, and policy development, collaborating with the Ministry of Health and WHO. A Kofi Annan Global Health Leadership fellow, she holds an MPH from Dartmouth Medical School and a medical degree from Muhimbili University.



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Dr. Best Magoma

With 17 years of experience in Public services, Dr. Best currently serves as a Regional Medical Officer (RMO) and assistant Administrative Secretary for Health, Social Welfare and Nutrition in Dodoma Region. He possesses a diverse background in medicine, public health and business, with degrees including MD, Master of International Public Health, MBA and a certificate in Health Systems Management.



Dr. Neema Tabian Mlole

Dr Neema Tabian Mlole MD,MPH is a Public Health Specialist at the President's Office - Regional Administration and Local Government. She focuses on translating national HIV policies into actionable initiatives and coordinates HIV services across 26 regions. Dr. Mlole collaborates with ministerial implementors to mobilize resources and strengthen partnerships to achieve UNAIDS goals by 2023.

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Health Forum

Contribution of Faith Community Engagements (FCE) in Improving Primary Health Care

Aim of the Forum

This forum aims to delve into the invaluable contribution of Faith Community Engagements (FCE) in bolstering the efficacy of Primary Health Care (PHC) systems worldwide. By fostering an open dialogue among healthcare professionals, religious leaders, and community members, the forum aims to elucidate the multifaceted ways in which faith-based initiatives intersect with PHC, ranging from preventative measures to treatment accessibility. Through sharing best practices and case studies, the forum seeks to identify key strategies for leveraging FCE to address health disparities, promote health literacy, and strengthen health infrastructure within communities.

In this forum, participants will explore the intricate dynamics between faith-based organizations and primary healthcare systems, aiming to uncover synergies that optimize health outcomes for diverse populations. By examining the role of FCE in addressing cultural barriers, stigma, and social determinants of health, the forum endeavors to cultivate a deeper understanding of how collaborative efforts can enhance the reach and impact of PHC services. Through interactive discussions and knowledge exchange, the forum aims to equip stakeholders with practical insights and actionable strategies for fostering sustainable partnerships between faith communities and healthcare providers, ultimately advancing the shared goal of equitable access to quality primary healthcare for all.



Dr. Paul Mmbando
Director. Health and
Diakonia ELCT

Moderator



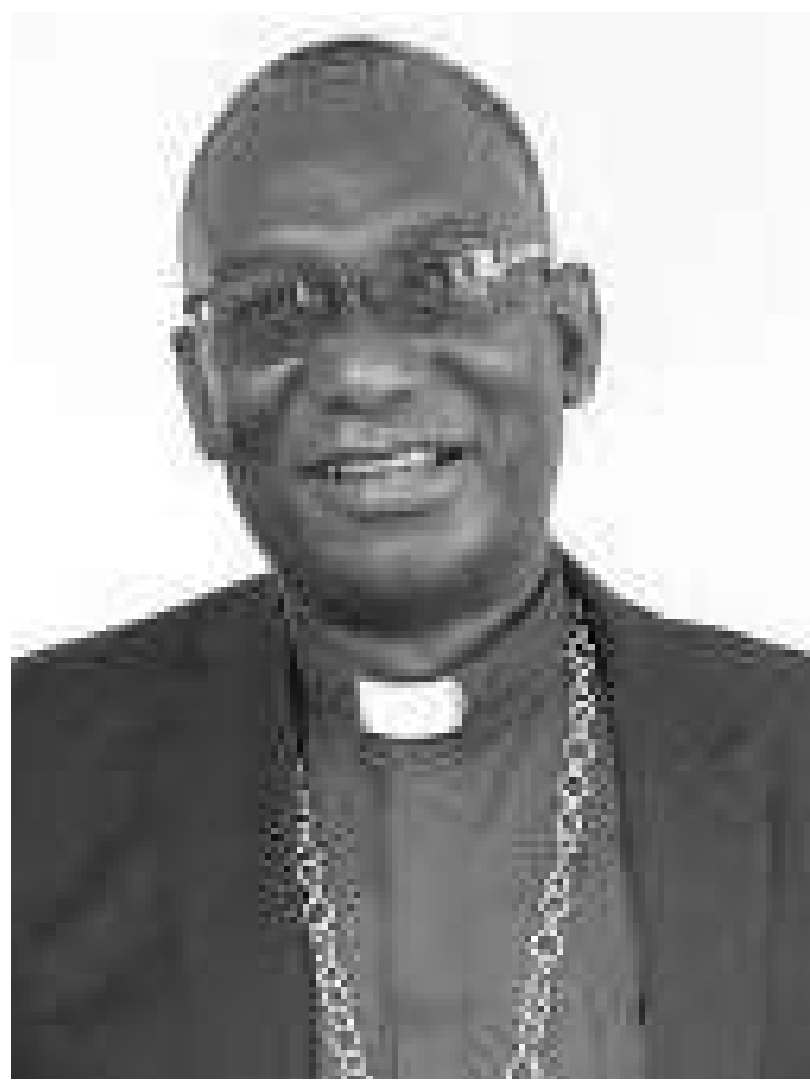
Bishop Dr. Alex G. Malasusa
Presiding Bishop of the
Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania (ELCT)

Keynote
speaker



Sheikh Dr. Abubakar Zubeir Ally
Hon. Mufti of Tanzania

Keynote
speaker



Bishop Dr. Fredrick O. Shoo
Chairman of the Christian Council of
Tanzania (CCT)

Keynote
speaker



Dr. Paul Chaote
PO- RALG Assistant Director
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Panelist



Mrs. Leorose Mbise
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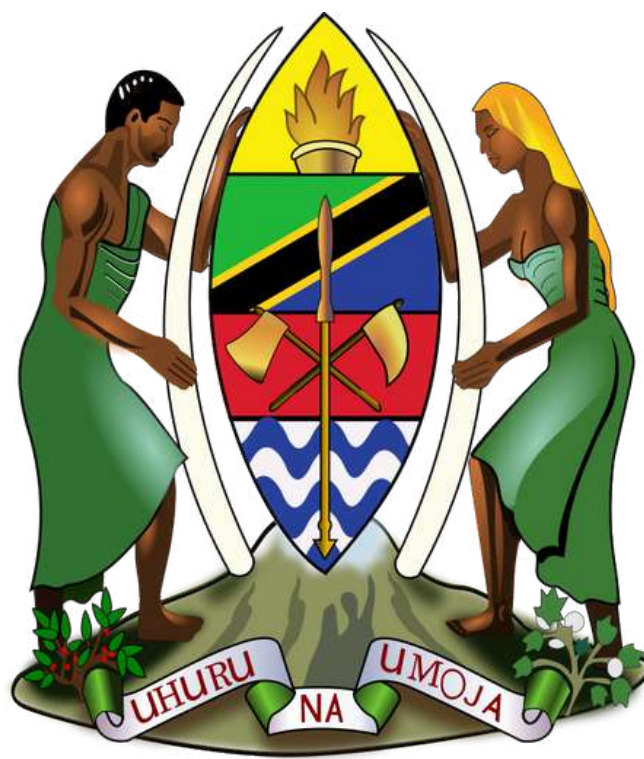
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Health Forum



Essential Emergency and Critical Care (EECC) in Tanzania

Aim of the Forum

The Essential Emergency and Critical Care (EECC) forum aims to serve as a platform for healthcare professionals, policymakers, and stakeholders to converge, collaborate, and innovate in advancing emergency and critical care medicine across the nation. With a focus on bridging gaps in access, education, and infrastructure, this forum seeks to elevate the standard of care for patients in critical conditions, particularly in resource-limited settings. Through interdisciplinary dialogue, knowledge exchange, and strategic partnerships, the EECC forum endeavors to foster a culture of preparedness, resilience, and excellence in emergency and critical care services, ultimately saving lives and improving health outcomes for Tanzanians.

By creating a community of practice dedicated to excellence and equity in emergency and critical care, the EECC forum seeks to motivate and facilitate tangible advancements in Tanzania's healthcare sector. It aims to equip healthcare professionals at all levels with the necessary tools, skills, and resources to provide prompt, efficient, and compassionate emergency care through initiatives like capacity building, advocacy, and evidence-based practice. Additionally, the forum strives to instigate systemic change by advocating for policies and investments that prioritize emergency and critical care services, ensuring that all Tanzanians have access to high-quality care when needed. Essentially, the EECC forum is a collaborative endeavor to fortify Tanzania's healthcare system, safeguarding the well-being and dignity of its citizens during critical times.



Prof. Andrea B. Pembe

Moderator

With over 30 years of expertise in health services, research, and project execution, focuses on reproductive, maternal, newborn, child, and adolescent health, emphasizing service quality, public health, and implementation science. Experienced in diverse environments, Andrea collaborates with Tanzanian Government and partners like Sida, BMGF, NIH, and Global Fund. His leadership and project management skills, along with over 100 publications, strengthen ties with health authorities, communities, NGOs, and professional associations, enhancing healthcare effectiveness.



Dr. Karima Khalid

Keynote Speaker

Karima, a lecturer, and consultant at MUHAS, brings over 10 years of expertise in anaesthesia and critical care, focusing on clinical practice, capacity building, and research. She has contributed significantly to initiatives like NSOAP, SURG – Africa, and WFSA's SAFE and VAST courses. Actively involved in EECC, Karima utilizes research, advocacy, and knowledge dissemination to elevate care standards. With a forthcoming Ph.D. and numerous publications in EECC, she leads Tanzania's EECC hub, demonstrating dedication to advancing critical care and ensuring exceptional patient care.



Dr. Rashid S. Mfaume

Panelist

Dr. Mfaume, Director for Health, Nutrition, and Social Welfare Services at PO-RALG, holds an MD and MPH from Muhimbili University. With vast healthcare experience, including roles as Regional Medical Officer and District Medical Officer, he's renowned for strategic leadership in public health management. Dedicated to improving healthcare outcomes, Dr. Mfaume champions community health initiatives, showcasing expertise and commitment in addressing health challenges effectively.



Dr. Erasto Sylvanus

Panelist

Dr. Erasto, an Emergency Physician trained at Muhimbili University, leads Tanzania's Emergency Medical Service section. With 11+ years' of experience, he specializes in emergency care, POC Ultrasound, ECG interpretations, and intensive care. He drives national strategies, including scaling up EECC, medical oxygen plans, and Oxygen therapy manuals, showcasing dedication to enhancing critical care and emergency services in Tanzania.



Dr. Masuma Gulamhussein

Panelist

Masuma Ali Gulamhussein, an Emergency Physician at Muhimbili National Hospital – Mloganzila Campus and EM faculty at MUHAS, is certified in medical simulation and a master trainer for the WHO BEC Course. She instructs in PTC, ITLS, BLS, ACLS, and PALS, training frontline providers in Tanzania and resource-limited settings. With a focus on improving care for critically ill patients, Masuma has 3 years' of experience in essential emergency and critical care projects, contributing to training material development.



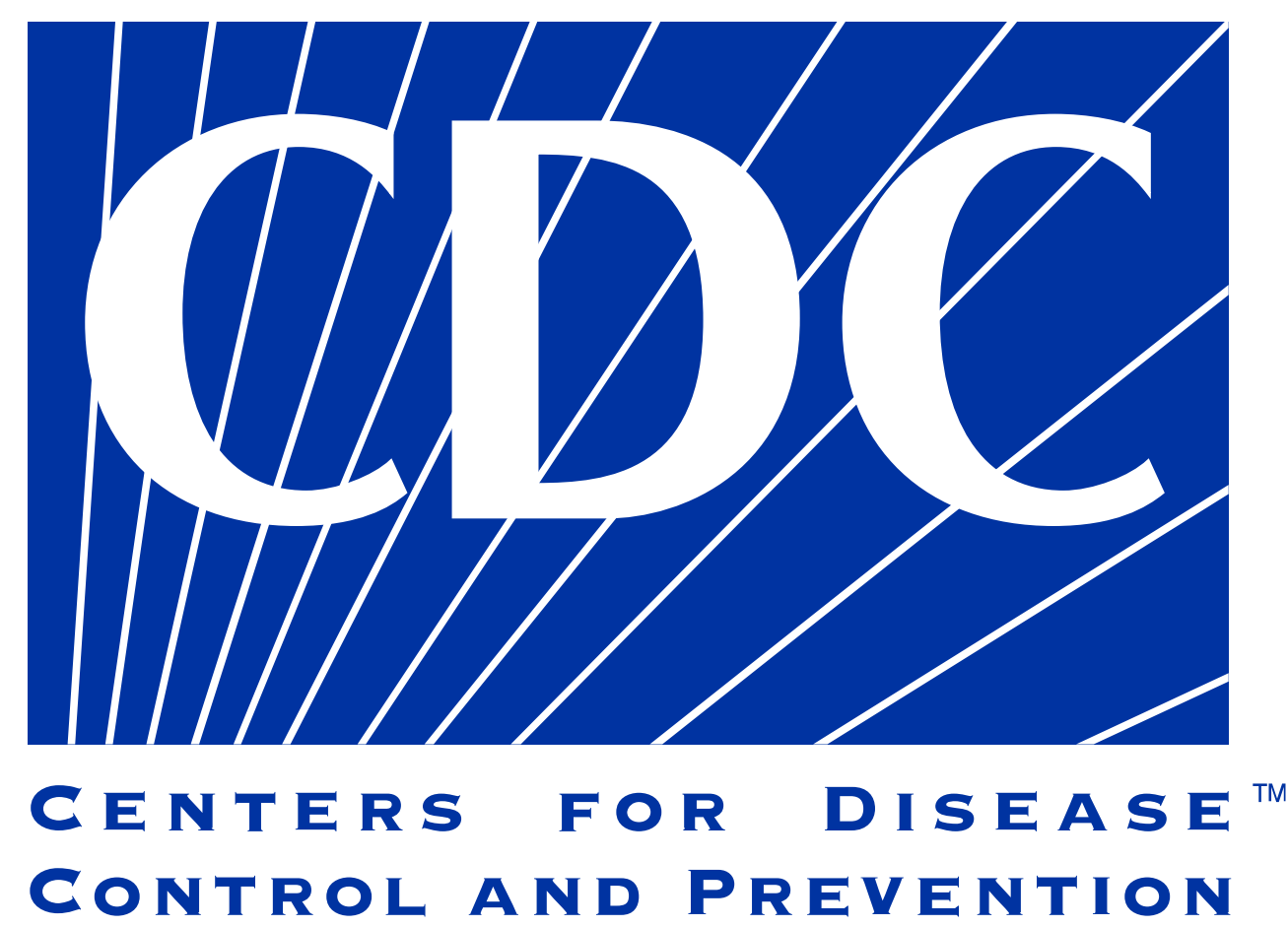
Dr. Isihaka J Mwandalima

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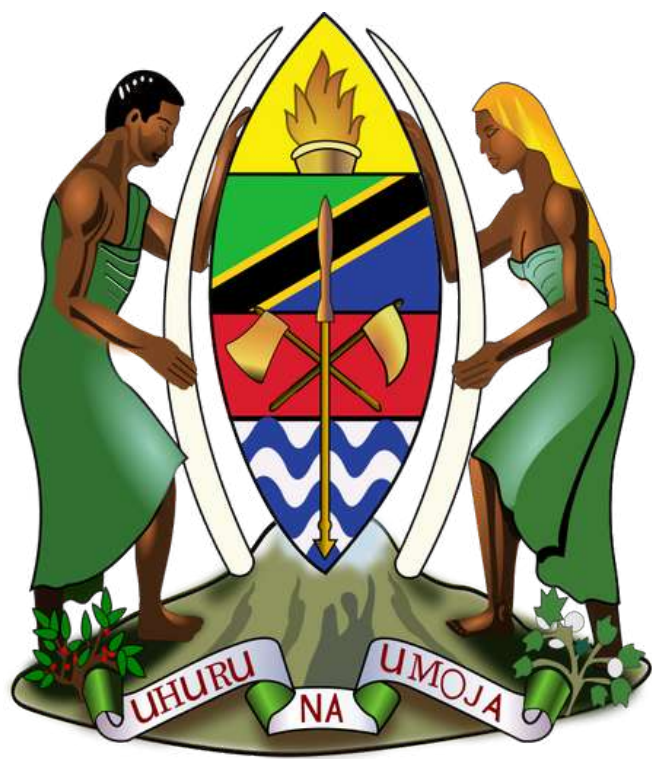
Dr. Isihaka J Mwandalima, MD, MMED in Community Health, serves as a Health Specialist at UNICEF Tanzania. With 14+ years' experience in both public and private sectors, he leads health system strengthening projects focusing on RMNCAH, HIV/AIDS, gender integration, and emergency preparedness. Dr. Mwandalima's expertise includes program design, implementation, and evaluation, contributing to national guidelines and policies in reproductive, maternal, adolescent health, gender, and community systems strengthening.

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Health Forum



National Public Health Institute (NPHI) establishment in Tanzania

Aim of the Forum

The forum aims to underscore the critical importance of establishing a National Public Health Institute (NPHI) in Tanzania as a cornerstone for building robust and resilient public health systems. By consolidating essential public health functions within a single institutional structure, the NPHI will facilitate effective coordination of activities related to public health surveillance, outbreak detection and response, specialized diagnostic services, research, and capacity building. Currently, these functions are dispersed across various departments and agencies within the Ministry of Health, highlighting the urgent need for reorganization and effective coordination.

The forum will provide a platform for stakeholders to discuss the vision for the NPHI in Tanzania and the progress made thus far in its establishment. It will also serve as an opportunity to garner support and engagement from key partners, including the Government of Tanzania and global collaborators such as Africa CDC, ECSCA-HC, WHO, U.S. CDC, PEPFAR, the Global Fund, and other development partners. Through collaborative dialogue and strategic planning, the forum aims to pave the way for a multi-year process of establishing the NPHI, demonstrating political will, and ensuring alignment with international commitments such as the International Health Regulations (IHR) and the Global Health Security Agenda (GHSA), as well as the African Union's vision for a new public health order in Africa.



Dr. George S. Mgomella

Moderator

Dr. George S. Mgomella currently works with the Associate Director of Programmes at the U.S Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Tanzania where he provides oversight on HIV/TB programming as well supporting collaborative and transdisciplinary approach to diseases control under One-CDC approach. Dr. Mgomella is medical doctor, and an epidemiologist has technical and management expertise in infectious disease epidemic response including HIV, COVID-19 and Marburg Virus Disease and execution of large-scale population-based surveys. Dr. Mgomella is a certified in public health by the United States National Board of Public Health Examiners (NBPHE) and received Gates-Cambridge Scholarship to pursue doctoral studies at the University of Cambridge, UK.



Dr. Ntuli Angyelile Kapologwe

Panelist

Dr. Kapologwe, Director of Preventive Services at the Ministry of Health, is a distinguished Public Health Specialist with extensive leadership experience. He has contributed over 50 articles to peer-reviewed journals and serves on the editorial board of the East African Journal of Applied Health Monitoring and Evaluation. With a PhD from the University of Dodoma, his research focuses on the impact of Direct Health Facility Financing in Tanzania. He also holds an MBA-IHM from Swiss TPH and MPH from Tumaini University, Tanzania, along with an MD from the University of Dar Es Salaam.



Dr. Wangeci Gatei

Panelist

Dr. Wangeci Gatei serves as the DGHP Program Director overseeing the Global Health Security (GHS) portfolio in CDC Tanzania. She collaborates with Ministry of Health, the President Office, Regional Administration and Local Government and the Prime Minister's Office, and multilateral, national and international partners in advancing GHS in Tanzania. She joined CDC as a post-doctoral fellow in 2003 and has worked in zoonotic diseases, Malaria and HIV programs. She previously worked as Senior Research Office at Kenya Medical Research Institute. She received a Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Nairobi, a Master in Molecular Biology from the Atlantic Veterinary College, Canada and a PhD in Tropical Medicine at the University of Liverpool, School of Tropical Medicine, UK.



Dr. Mohamed Ally Mohamed

Panelist

Dr. Mohamed Ally Mohamed serves as the Senior Public Health Specialist for the World Bank-funded Southern African TB and Health Systems Support (SATBHSS) Project. With over 15 years of experience, he leads research, evaluation, and human resources for health interventions at the regional level. Dr. Mohamed is adept in epidemiology, emergency preparedness, disease surveillance, research, and quality assurance. He holds Doctor of Medicine and Master of Public Health degrees from the University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, and an MSc in Applied Epidemiology from Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture in Nairobi, Kenya. Additionally, he plays a significant role in Emergency Preparedness Surveillance and response activities within the SATBHSS project, ensuring wide dissemination of research findings at national and international levels.



Dr. Salim Slim

Panelist

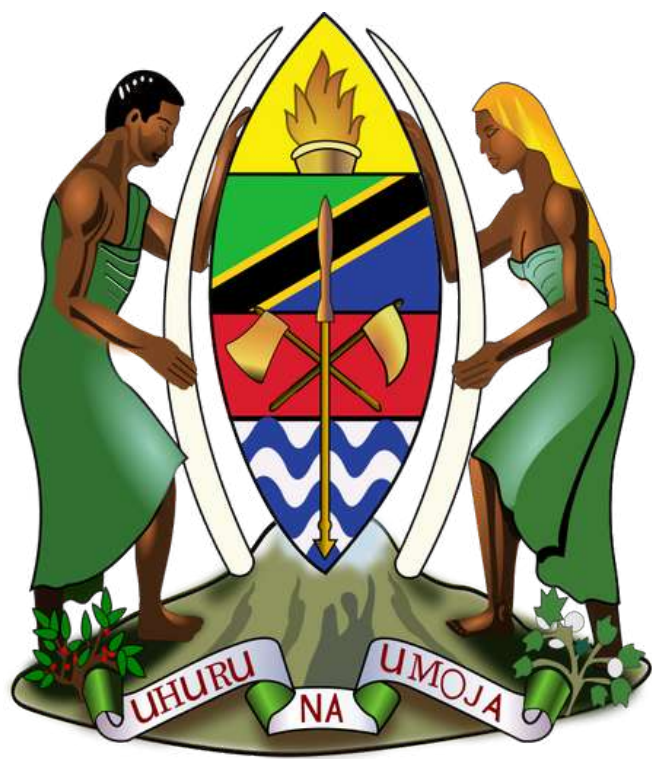
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Health Forum



Optimizing PHC facilities for deployment of Universal Health insurance in the United Republic of Tanzania.

Aim of the Forum

The aim of the forum titled "Evaluating and Enhancing Tanzania's National Essential Health Care Intervention Package (NEHCIP): Insights and Perspectives" is to provide a comprehensive platform for presenting and analyzing the implementation of NEHCIP, as well as discussing its financial implications and policy relevance. Through the presentation of evaluation results, participants will gain insights into the effectiveness and challenges encountered in implementing NEHCIP at the primary health care (PHC) level. Furthermore, preliminary results on the cost of delivering NEHCIP services at PHC facilities will be shared, shedding light on the financial considerations associated with sustaining and scaling up this essential health care intervention package.

In addition to evaluating NEHCIP implementation, the forum aims to explore its role as a tool for policy dialogue, particularly in shaping the health insurance benefit package. Discussions will center on how NEHCIP can inform decisions regarding the inclusion of essential health services in health insurance schemes, thus contributing to the advancement of universal health coverage goals in Tanzania. Moreover, the forum will highlight the financial perspective for updating NEHCIP, emphasizing the importance of ensuring its continued relevance and affordability in the face of evolving health needs and resource constraints. Through collaborative dialogue and knowledge-sharing, the forum seeks to inform policy and practice to optimize NEHCIP's impact on improving health outcomes and ensuring equitable access to essential health services for all Tanzanians.



Dr. Galbert Fedjo

Dr. Galbert FEDJO, the Health System Coordinator at the WHO Country Office in Tanzania, brings 26 years of expertise in public health. His domains include Primary Health Care, Quality Improvement, Health Financing, and Program Management. Previously, he held roles in Cameroon's Ministry of Health and served in various capacities across Africa, including Uganda, Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo, and Chad.



Dr. Getrud J Mollel

Getrud J. Mollel, a medical doctor and research scientist at Ifakara Health Institute since 2016, specializes in health system strengthening and policy impact research. Leading projects in malnutrition and HIV care, she coordinates initiatives like the One-stop HIV clinic and contributes to addressing adolescent mental health gaps in Tanzania.



Dr. Peter Binyaruka

Dr. Peter Binyaruka, a Senior Health Economist at Ifakara Health Institute, possesses over 12 years of research experience. As an MRC African Research Leader Fellow, he focuses on strategic healthcare purchasing. His expertise includes health financing analysis, monitoring and evaluation of reforms, and impact evaluations. Dr. Binyaruka has contributed to health financing analysis in multiple countries and is actively engaged in teaching and supervising students.



Maximillian Mapunda

Mr. Mapunda boasts 38 years of hands-on experience in health systems planning and project management. He played pivotal roles in shaping health financing initiatives in Tanzania, including the design and implementation of cost-sharing, the National Health Insurance Scheme, and Community Health Fund. As the inaugural Team Leader of the Health Sector Reform Secretariat, he led significant contributions to health sector reform strategies. Mr. Mapunda's expertise extends to health financing studies and the costing of health services, which have informed the development of health financing strategies and proposals for GAVI and the Global Fund.

Forums

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Nutrition Services Forum

Nutrition in Primary Health Care in Tanzania: The Past, Current and Future Outlook

Aim of the Forum

The forum on Nutrition in Primary Health Care in Tanzania: Past, Present, and Future Perspectives will shed light on the way forward, with speakers delving into the topic in detail. In Tanzania's healthcare sector, nutrition plays a crucial role in improving overall well-being and preventing various health issues. There has been a growing recognition of the importance of nutrition in primary health care, particularly in addressing malnutrition and deficiencies among vulnerable groups like children and expectant mothers.

Presently, there is a shift towards a holistic approach to nutrition in primary health care that goes beyond just combating malnutrition. It includes promoting healthy eating habits, preventing diet-related illnesses, and ensuring adequate nutrition for all. Health professionals are incorporating nutrition education, guidance, and support into their services to empower individuals to make healthier choices. Looking ahead, the future of nutrition in primary health care in Tanzania looks promising, with increased investments in nutrition programs and projects due to a heightened understanding of how nutrition impacts health outcomes. The emphasis on preventive measures and health education aims to create a healthier population and reduce the burden of nutrition-related diseases.

By prioritizing nutrition in primary health care, Tanzania is moving towards improving the overall health and well-being of its populace, paving the way for a healthier and more prosperous future.



Prof. Festo Kavishe.

Keynote Speaker

Professor Kavishe, former Managing Director of Tanzania Food and Nutrition Centre, pioneered nutrition programs in Tanzania. With extensive experience, he served as UNICEF Country Representative in Zimbabwe, Eritrea, and Deputy Regional Director in Thailand. Currently an Adjunct Professor and Regional Coordinator, he holds multiple degrees including a Doctor of Medicine and Masters in Human Nutrition.



Dr. Nyamizi H. Bundala

Panelist

Dr. Nyamizi H. Bundala, Assistant Director of Livestock Products, Food Security, and Nutrition at the Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries, brings over a decade of expertise in Public Health Nutrition from her tenure at Sokoine University of Agriculture. Currently leading Tanzania's National Nutrition Sensitive Thematic Working Group, she specializes in planning and designing public-health nutrition interventions, food systems, and nutrition security. With a background in nutrition epidemiology and extensive experience in program implementation, Dr. Bundala has contributed to various nutrition programs and publications, advancing the field of nutrition in Tanzania. Holding an MSc in Public Health Nutrition and a PhD in Human Nutrition, she continues to drive impactful change in nutrition policy and practice.



Mr. Luitfrid Peter Nnally

Panelist

Mr. Luitfrid Peter Nnally currently serves as the Assistant Director of Nutrition Services at the President's Office Regional Administration and Local Government in the United Republic of Tanzania. With over two decades of experience as a Nutrition Research Scientist, he specializes in nutrition policy analysis, strategic planning, advocacy, and science communication. Mr. Nnally's expertise encompasses program design and management, econometric modeling in nutrition, food and nutrition security analysis, and nutrition throughout the lifecycle. Holding a Master's degree in Agriculture Economics, a Post Graduate Diploma in Food and Nutrition Security, and a Bachelor's degree in Human Nutrition, he continues to drive impactful advancements in nutrition programming and policy formulation in Tanzania.



Dr. Analice Kamala,

Panelist

Dr. Analice Kamala, with over 20 years of experience in food science and nutrition, is the Acting Director of Food Science and Nutrition at the Tanzania Food and Nutrition Centre. Passionate about nutrition interventions and food safety, she specializes in food fortification, risk assessment, and community awareness. Dr. Kamala has worked with the Tanzania Food and Drugs Authority and contributes to national committees on food hygiene. She holds a Ph.D. and Master's in Food Science and Nutrition from the University of Ghent, Belgium, and a Bachelor's from Sokoine University of Agriculture, Tanzania.



Dr. Leonard Katalambula

Panelist

Dr. Leonard Katalambula, Head of the Department of Public Health at the University of Dodoma (UDOM), brings over 15 years of experience as a lecturer and researcher. Additionally, he serves as the Board Chairperson for Action Against Hunger (Tanzania) and is a technical committee member of TWG 6, focusing on nutrition promotion and services. With a PhD in Life Science and Bioengineering, Dr. Katalambula leads research initiatives such as the Meal, Education, and Garden for In School Adolescent (MEGA) project and the Quality Improvement of Integrated HIV, TB, and Malaria Services during antenatal and postnatal care. His publications span topics including nutrition, food security, and dietary patterns, highlighting his dedication to advancing public health in Tanzania.



Ms. Neema Joshua Mwapili

Panelist

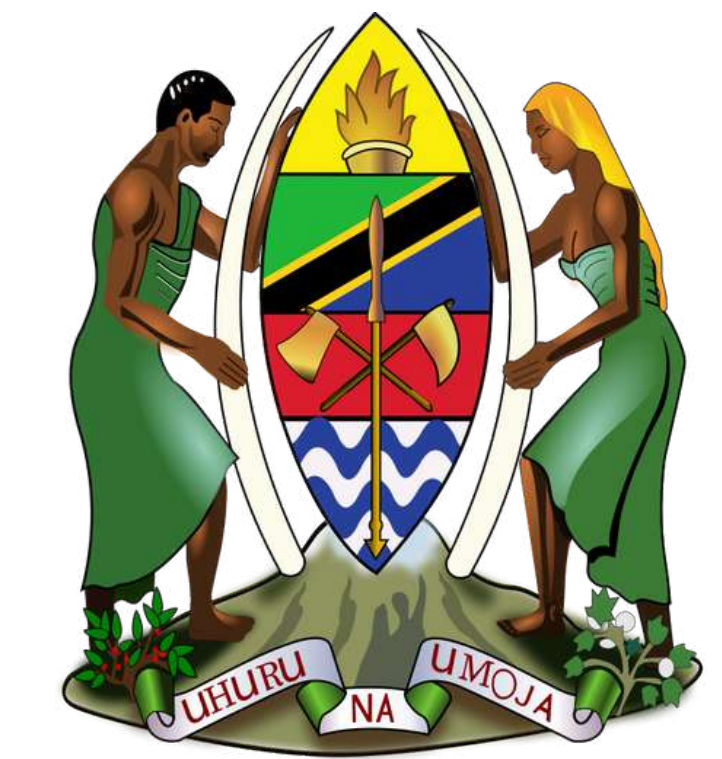
Ms. Neema Joshua Mwapili serves as the Assistant Director of Nutrition Services at the Tanzanian Ministry of Health. With over 15 years of experience, she excels in designing, managing, and evaluating nutrition programs at both facility and community levels. Her expertise spans maternal and child nutrition, nutrition and HIV, and capacity building. Ms. Mwapili leads national nutrition committees, contributes to guidelines development, and holds degrees in Human Nutrition, Food and Nutrition Security, and Comparative Social Work.

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Health Forum



Overcoming performance challenges in PHC services delivery

Aim of the Forum

In today's dynamic healthcare landscape, addressing performance challenges in primary healthcare (PHC) services delivery is paramount to ensure quality care for all. One key approach to overcoming these challenges is through a multi-faceted strategy that encompasses both technological advancements and human-centric solutions. Harnessing the power of digital health tools such as electronic health records (EHRs), telemedicine platforms, and data analytics can streamline processes, improve communication, and enhance decision-making within PHC settings. Moreover, investing in continuous training and development for healthcare professionals, coupled with fostering a supportive work environment, can boost morale and productivity, ultimately leading to more efficient and effective delivery of PHC services.

However, it's essential to recognize that overcoming performance challenges in PHC services delivery requires a collaborative effort from all stakeholders involved. Engaging with community members, policymakers, healthcare providers, and technology experts can foster innovation and drive sustainable solutions tailored to the unique needs of each population. By fostering partnerships and promoting a culture of continuous improvement, we can create a resilient PHC system capable of adapting to evolving challenges and delivering equitable healthcare services to all individuals, regardless of their background or circumstances. Together, let's work towards a future where everyone has access to high-quality primary healthcare services, laying the foundation for healthier communities and improved overall well-being.



Dr. Serge Bataliack

Dr. Serge Bataliack, a distinguished leader in health intelligence and data-driven decision-making, boasts over 18 years of expertise in enhancing health systems and leveraging data for impactful outcomes. Serving as the Coordinator of WHO's Integrated African Health Observatory, he provides strategic direction and technical leadership in transforming data into actionable insights. Dr. Bataliack's proficiencies encompass health information systems, monitoring and evaluation, evidence-based decision-making, and health systems strengthening. Leading a dedicated team, he ensures data stratification by age, gender, equity, and human rights, driving policy and action across 47 Member States towards Universal Health Coverage and health-related Sustainable Development Goal targets. His adept management has advanced the Integrated African Health Observatory and strengthened National Health Observatories, solidifying his reputation as a visionary leader in health systems management.



Solyana Kidane

Solyana Kidane, a seasoned health systems specialist at the World Health Organization's (WHO) Regional Office for Africa, brings over 8 years of expertise in health services and systems management. With a master's degree in Clinical Pharmacology from the University of Glasgow, she offers valuable insights into healthcare management. In her role as a policy advisor, Ms. Kidane has contributed significantly to various aspects of health sector development, including essential health care package development, universal health coverage (UHC) tracking, health workforce regulation, and district health systems establishment. Her contributions extend to regional initiatives such as repivoting health systems, developing innovative public goods for health intervention scalability, and driving evidence-based impact assessment. Known for her analytical acumen and collaborative approach, Ms. Kidane excels in problem-solving and fostering inclusive environments to address healthcare challenges and promote health equity.



Issa Mmbaga

Issa, a graduate of International Master of Public Health from Tsinghua University-China and Master of Health Systems Management from Mzumbe University-Tanzania, possesses 15 years of experience with the Ministry of Health-Tanzania. Specializing in Health System Strengthening, particularly in Human Resource for Health (HRH) planning, training, and development, he currently coordinates HRH Planning and Continuous Professional Development. Known for his initiatives to improve training opportunities for healthcare providers in remote areas, Issa has led strategic HRH country initiatives and serves as the country focal person for the development of National Health Workforce Account. As an alumnus of the Mandela Washington Fellowship, he champions evidence-based decision-making and data utilization in health policy formulation, underscored by his participation in the Data Collaborative for Local Impact Professional Practicum in Washington, D.C.

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Health Forum



Towards Ensuring Access to SRH Services Among Young People and People with Disability as a Key Milestone to UHC in Tanzania: Challenges and Opportunities

Aim of the Forum

The EngenderHealth forum will focus on policies, guidelines, and standard operating procedures (SOPs) concerning Sexual Reproductive Health (SRH) services and information for People with Disabilities (PWDs) and young people in Tanzania's primary healthcare settings. It will delve into the national framework's implementation status, highlighting challenges encountered in accessing and providing effective SRH services and information to these groups.

The forum will address challenges such as limited awareness, stigma, insufficient resources, and infrastructure limitations, necessitating alignment with the Universal Health Coverage (UHC) agenda. Opportunities for enhancement such as utilizing technological advancements, engaging communities, and implementing capacity-building initiatives. It will highlight donor perspectives to underscore the importance of innovative strategies and strategic partnerships to improve SRH services and information dissemination among PWDs and young people at primary healthcare settings.



**Moke
Magoma**

Dr. Moke is a Country Representative for EngenderHealth Tanzania, brings over 25 years of leadership in public health and clinical care. Specializing in RMNCAH programing, he excels in health management and service delivery. His expertise spans planning and implementing initiatives funded by diverse donors including FCDO, USG, and UN. Holding a Medical degree from UDSM, a Master of Medicine from Makerere University, and a Ph.D. from the University of London in Epidemiology and Population Health, Dr. Moke is an esteemed member of regional medical societies.



**Gerald
Kihwele Derua**

Gerald serves as the National Coordinator for Gender and Adolescent Health at the MoH's RMNCAH Department. He develops policies, guidelines, and strategies, overseeing their implementation for gender and adolescent health. Gerald led the 2019 Adolescent Health Services Barriers Assessment, focusing on disadvantaged adolescents and spearheaded the National Accelerated Action and Investment Agenda for Adolescent Health and Wellbeing. He holds Bachelor and Master of Science degrees from St. John's University of Tanzania and the University of Dodoma.



**Jonas
Lubago**

Jonas Is the Secretary General of SHIVYAWATA, Tanzania Federation of Disabled Peoples Organizations, with extensive experience in teaching, mentoring youths with disabilities, and advocating for disability rights. He served as the national focal person for disabilities in the census, contributed to disability inclusion in SDGs, and developed national strategies for inclusive education. With a background in education, Jonas holds bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Dar es Salaam.



**Sesilia
Shirima**

Sesilia Is a feminist, gender expert, and clinician who has dedicated the past ten years to advocating for Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights. Currently, she serves as the Chief Executive Officer of the Young and Alive Initiative, an organization focused on mobilizing adolescents and youth to actively support and advocate for gender-sensitive Sexual Reproductive Health Rights and Justice systems. Her extensive work encompasses service delivery, community engagement, advocacy, leadership, facilitation, and mentorship in both the public and private sectors. Sesilia holds a Degree in Gender and Development, along with a High Diploma in Clinical Medicine.

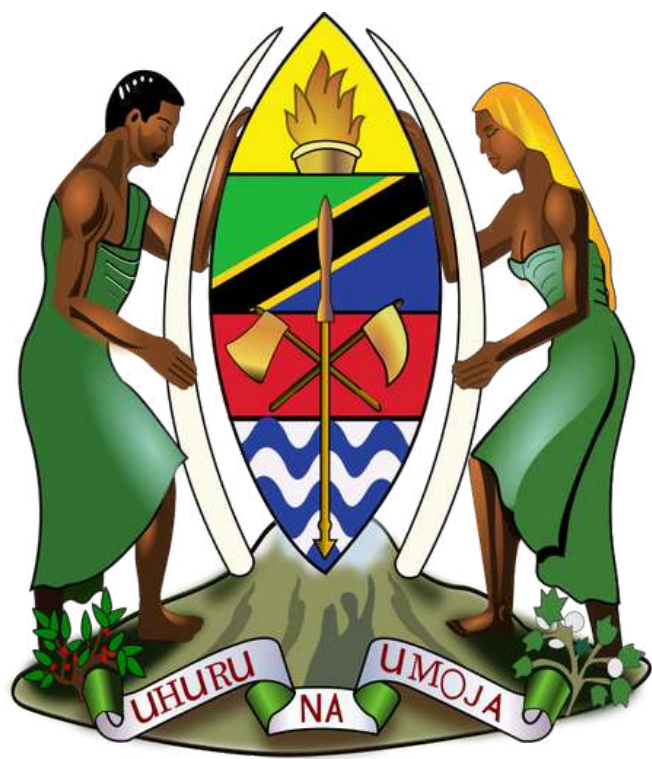


Adam Rassa

Adam Is a dedicated public health expert currently serving as a Health Adviser for FCDO Tanzania (British High Commission, Dar es Salaam). He is passionate about strengthening resilient and sustainable systems for health that are essential to end preventable deaths and respond to current and future health threats. Adam has worked with Ministries of Health and development partners in the Low- and Middle-income countries in Africa. Besides Tanzania, Adam worked in Sierra Leone and supported health programs in Nigeria and Kenya. Adam holds a Bachelor of Pharmacy from Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences Tanzania and a Master of Public Health from the University of Western Cape, South Africa.

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Health Forum

From Vision to Reality! Revolutionizing Maternal and Newborn Emergencies Transport for Inclusive Healthcare

Aim of the Forum

The Forum titled "From Vision to Reality! Revolutionising Maternal and Newborn Emergencies Transport for Inclusive Healthcare" presented at the International Primary Health Care Conference in Tanzania highlights the pivotal role of primary health care (PHC) in achieving universal health coverage (UHC). Focusing on maternal and neonatal health, the abstract emphasizes the urgent need to overhaul emergency transport systems to reduce mortality rates and ensure timely access to life-saving care. It discusses the progress made in maternal health indicators within Tanzania, citing strategic alignment with global health agendas as instrumental in driving tangible outcomes. Central to the narrative is the m-mama Emergency Transportation System (EmTS), an innovative initiative leveraging digital technology to enhance emergency transport for pregnant women and newborns. Through collaboration, innovation, and sustainability, EmTS aims to transcend barriers and provide equitable access to emergency care for all, thereby contributing to inclusive healthcare access.

The forum underscores the practical implications of EmTS in curbing maternal and neonatal mortality rates and fostering inclusive healthcare access. By engaging communities, strengthening health systems, and fostering partnerships, EmTS exemplifies the transformative potential of collaborative efforts in healthcare innovation. The International Primary Health Care Conference serves as a platform for stakeholders to share experiences, and best practices, and commit to revolutionizing emergency transport, ultimately realizing the vision of inclusive healthcare for women, newborns, and communities across Tanzania. Through this collective commitment, the conference aims to ignite change and amplify the impact on maternal and neonatal health, reinforcing PHC as a driving force in the journey towards achieving UHC in Tanzania.



Dr. Ntuli Angyelile Kapologwe

Moderator

Dr. Kapologwe, Director of Preventive Services at the Ministry of Health, is a distinguished Public Health Specialist with extensive leadership experience. He has contributed over 50 articles to peer-reviewed journals and serves on the editorial board of the East African Journal of Applied Health Monitoring and Evaluation. With a PhD from the University of Dodoma, his research focuses on the impact of Direct Health Facility Financing in Tanzania. He also holds an MBA-IHM from Swiss TPH and MPH from Tumaini University, Tanzania, along with an MD from the University of Dar Es Salaam.



Dr. Ahmad Makuwani

Panelist

Dr. Makuwani, is a Gynecologist/Obstetrician with over 25 years of experience in maternal health, research, and project management, has held various leadership positions in international organizations and Tanzanian institutions. As the Director of the Division of Reproductive, Maternal, and Child Health under the Ministry of Health, he oversees programs related to maternal, child health, family planning, and reproductive health, and has played a key role in developing policies and strategies in these areas.



Dolorosa Duncan

Panelist

As m-mama Tanzania Country Director, Dolorosa leads a scalable innovative technology infrastructure developed in collaboration with the Government of Tanzania to offer emergency transportation service for mothers and newborns. A former Country Lead for GirlEffect, she has over 14 years of experience in providing leadership in comprehensive integrated programs. Dolorosa is an Eisenhower Fellow, an Emerging Voice for Global Health and sits in various boards.



Dr. Paul Chaote

Panelist

Assistant Director responsible for health services in President Office Regional Administration and Local Government. Dr. Chaote is Medical Doctor with Masters of Public Health. He has more than 15 years of experience in Management of health services from the level of a District to National level. He is an accomplished Researcher with over 30 publications



Daniel Sarungi

Panelist

Daniel Sarungi is a distinguished technology expert with expertise in Information Systems and governance. He led the m-mama task force, integrating a medical transport system for pregnant women and newborns in alignment with Health Information System Guidelines and Health Enterprise Architecture, showcasing his visionary leadership



Dr. Salim Slim

Panelist

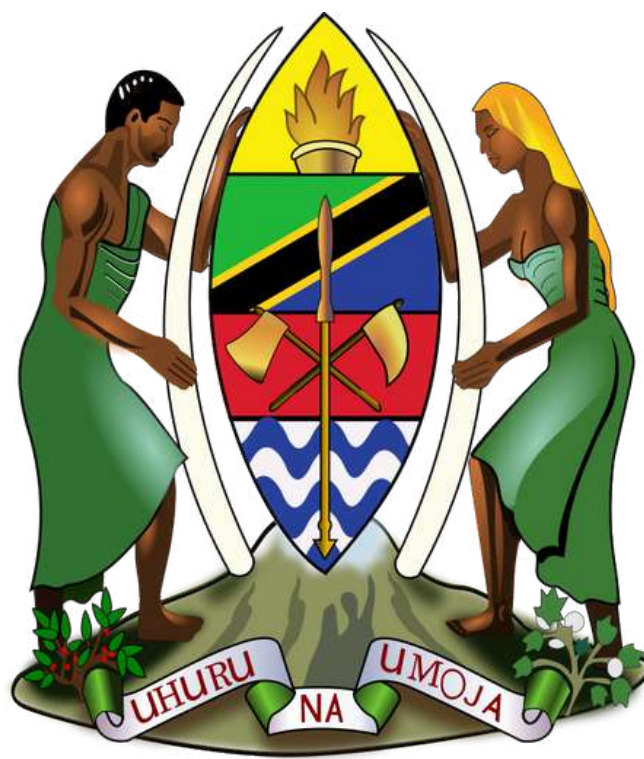
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Health Forum



Leadership and governance for primary health care: Tanzania’s experience in training development and implementation

Aim of the Forum

The forum aims to provide a platform for sharing insights, experiences, and best practices in fostering effective leadership and governance within Tanzania's primary health care sector. By examining Tanzania's experience in training development and implementation, the forum seeks to identify strategies for enhancing leadership capacity and governance structures to improve the delivery of primary health care services. Through collaborative discussions and interactive sessions, participants will explore innovative approaches to leadership development, governance frameworks, and institutional mechanisms aimed at strengthening primary health care systems.

The forum strives to create practical advice and insights that can guide government policies and program implementation in both national and local settings. It showcases effective programs and past Erfahrungen to inspire stakeholders to prioritize funding for leadership training and governance improvements, which are crucial for Tanzania to achieve universal healthcare and long-lasting health results. The forum aims to inspire collective efforts to build robust and adaptable primary healthcare systems that are capable of meeting the changing health demands of Tanzanian communities effectively.



Dr Stephen Kibusi

Moderator

Dr. Stephen Kibusi, holds a PhD in public health from the Tokyo Medical and Dental University (Japan) and a Masters in Health System Management from the Dalhousie University (Canada). He has worked as a Lecturer at the Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences (MUHAS) from 2007 to 2014 before being appointed Dean School of Nursing and Public Health at the University of Dodoma. His expertise is on Health Systems and Public Health Implementation Science.



Mr Erick Msoffe

Panelist

Mr. Erick Msoffe is a seasoned professional with a diverse academic background and extensive experience in governance, capacity building, and project management. With degrees in Sociology and Project Management, he blends social insight with organizational proficiency. During his tenure at the Germany Development Agency (GIZ), he focused on enhancing governance structures and empowering decentralized health systems in Tanzania.



Dr James Tumaini Kengia

Panelist

Dr. Kengia, a seasoned Public Health Specialist, serves as the Coordinator for Research and Publication at the President's Office-Regional Administration and Local Government. With a background spanning hospital and health system management at large. He holds notable qualifications including a Ph.D. in Public Health Leadership from Tokyo Medical and Dental University, Japan and an MBA for Medical Doctors from University of Applied Science Neu-Ulm, Germany. Dr. Kengia's expertise extends to teaching at the University of Dodoma, where he imparts knowledge in Health System Management, Health Economics, and Leadership since 2017.



Dr. Beatus Chrisostomus Chikoti

Panelist

Dr. Beatus Chrisostomus Chikoti, Senior Policy & Engagement Advisor at USAID Afya Yangu - RMNCAH Project, is a seasoned public health expert with 15 years' experience. His expertise includes policy formulation, reproductive health, health systems strengthening, and program management. Past roles include Project Coordinator at PACT and District Medical Officer.



Alpha Charles Maugira

Panelist

Alpha Charles Maugira, RN, holds a BSc in Nursing from St. John University of Tanzania and an MSc in Community Health Nursing from Central South University, China. Currently pursuing an MSc in Monitoring and Evaluation, he serves as Nurse Officer Incharge at Mnazi Mmoja Hospital while contributing to healthcare education enhancement efforts and NACTE.



Dr Hussein Juma Athumani

Panelist

Dr. Hussein, a Dental Surgeon and Public Health specialist, has dedicated 17 years to enhancing healthcare systems in Tanzania. He has led national programs targeting various diseases and collaborated with public and non-state sectors for system strengthening. With a Master's in Tropical Disease Control and ongoing studies in Project Planning, Monitoring, and Evaluation, he heads the Health System Strengthening Unit at the Ministry of Health, driving projects under the Global Funded RSSH Program. Additionally, he assesses competencies among health leaders and develops training manuals to address gaps.



Dr Mwandu Kini Jiyenze

Panelist

Dr. Jiyenze is an academic staff member at the Centre for Educational Development in Health Arusha (CEDHA), with expertise in dentistry and health management, planning, and policy. He holds a DDS from the University of Dar es Salaam and an M.A. from the University of Leeds, UK. Currently pursuing a PhD at Mzumbe University, he specializes in health sector strategic planning.

Best Practices & Special issues

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Best Practices in Primary Health Care

The Best Practices session at IPHC 2-24 focuses on presenting innovative solutions that has improved healthcare in Tanzania and can be scaled to other regions in the country. Join us to explore these exciting advancements, with the goal of fostering innovation and bringing about positive transformations in the- primary healthcare.

Moderator



Anodi R. Kaihula, Manager - Tanzania Health Summit

Anodi is a young health professional passionate about creating healthier futures. He combines health acumen and entrepreneurial thinking to develop impactful health programs at Tanzania Health Summit. He co-founded UDOM Health Club and AfyaLead Company, empowering youth in health leadership and bringing scalable innovations in health sector . He manages the Tanzania Health Summit as acting general manager, shaping the country's largest healthcare platform . Anodi is also analytical writer advocating for positive change in healthcare.

Speakers

Improved Health Services Delivery Through Effective Utilization of Cost Sharing in Urban Setting

Dr. Maduhu Nindwa, Arusha CC

Use of Intermittent Spot-Check Approach For Improving Maternal and Child Health

Flora Kuzenza, Misungwi DC

Leadership & Accountability

Belinda Mumbuli, RHMT Arusha

House to House Hypertension Screening

Dr. Omary Mwangaza, Kinondoni MC

Community Engagement on Improving Child health and Nutrition

RHMT Mara

Healthcare Financing

Dr. Anna Chaduo, Nzega Town Hospital- Tabora

The Role of Peer Mothers

Perucy Enock Msonde, Ziba Dispensary

The role of Traditional healer’s and CHWs in increasing community TB case notification

Dr. Haruna Malema, Uyui DC- Tabora

Introduction of Non- Pneumatic Anti-Shock Garment (NASG)

Dr. Kandi Lissungu, Bagamoyo DC

Commuity Engagement on Improving New Health Facility Use

Dr. Gosbert Kalunde, Morogoro Municipal Hospital

The role of Community Involvement on Improvement of Health Services

Dr. Pascal Kalinga , Misungwi Dc- Mwanza

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Special Issues in Primary Health Care



Dr. Pius Kagoma

Moderator

Dr Pius is the coordinator for clinical services at the President's Office-Regional Administration and Local Government (PORALG) in the Division of Health, Social welfare, and Nutrition services. He is a senior public health specialist with immense experience in the healthcare system and management and leadership. He holds a degree in medicine (MD), Master in Public Health (MPH). Currently, he is a PhD. student at the University of Dodoma involving on how to bringing high-quality knowledge in the decision-making process in the public health system.



Dr. Asha Mahita

Medical Tourism

Ministry of Health, Main Hall 2:00PM - 3:30 PM

Dr. Asha Mahita is the Head of Referral Service Abroad in the Ministry of Health. Well experienced Public Health Specialist working in the Health Sector for 18yrs. She served as Regional as well as District Medical Officer. Dr. Mahita believes in Improving Health System through Community engagement.



Dr. Liggy Vumilia

Telemedicine

Ministry of Health, Main Hall 2:00PM - 3:30 PM

Dr. Liggy Vumilia is a seasoned Medical Doctor with over 20 years of experience in clinical settings across various hospitals in Tanzania, encompassing both public and private sectors. Proficient in telehealth initiatives, public health, and safety, he excels in epidemiology, research in traditional and alternative medicines, and healthcare management. With a strong commitment to community engagement and mass campaigns, Dr. Vumilia is results-oriented, contributing expertise in healthcare policy and strategies to address diverse public health emergencies.



Paul Z. Mmbando, MD, MPH

Paliative Care

ELCT, Main Hall 2:00PM - 3:30 PM

Dr. Mmbando serves as the Health Programs Director at the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania (ELCT) and heads its Palliative Care Program, the largest in Tanzania with 25 active hospital-based teams. With over 20 years of experience as a Hospice and Palliative Care Physician, he leads program development, clinical research, and advocacy efforts, prioritizing access to healthcare in rural and underserved communities.



Dr. Lilian Mbuni

Ethiopia Filed Visit

Temeke DC, Main Hall 2:00PM - 3:30 PM

Dr. Lilian Mbuni, a Medical Doctor with 8 years of experience post-graduation from MUHAS, is dedicated to positive change-making. With 4 years in Tanzania's PHC system, she's served in rural (Kagera, Biharamulo) and urban (Temeke, DSM) settings in various capacities including ward doctor, head of pediatric department, and facility in charge. Currently, she heads clinical services at Yombo Vituka HC, Temeke, and pursues an MPH online from GGMU (Italy).



Dr. Said Kilindimo

Emergence Care

Muhimbili National Hospital, Main Hall 2:00PM - 3:30 PM

Dr. Said Kilindimo, Cardiac Intensivist and Emergency Medicine Specialist, serves as a consultant Emergency Physician at Muhimbili National Hospital and Intensivist at Jakaya Kikwete Cardiac Institute. Additionally, he is a clinical instructor for various short courses and currently heads the Emergency Medicine Department at MUHAS, driven by a passion for medical education and emergency care system development.

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Special Issues in Primary Health Care



Dr. Mackfallen
Giliadi Anasel

PHC Leadership Book

Mzumbe University, Main Hall 2:00PM - 3:30 PM

Dr. Mackfallen Giliadi Anasel, a Senior Lecturer and researcher at Mzumbe University, has over 15 years of experience in health systems management. Holding a PhD in Demography from Groningen University, Netherlands, his research focuses on M&E, policy implementation, and reproductive and child health. He leads the MWOTAJI project and serves as Co-Chair of PATC³H-IN. Dr. Anasel is also Senior Technical Lead for PEPFAR and Co-PI of the NISHATI project, enhancing local resilience to climate change in Africa.



Dr. Enica Richard

Road to establishment of Family Medicine training Programme at MUHAS.

Muhimbili University, Main Hall 2:00PM - 3:30 PM

Dr. Enica Richard, MD, MMED, Clinical Fellow (Singapore), is a Senior Lecturer at MUHAS and Consultant ENT Surgeon specializing in Rhinology. Additionally, she serves as Ag. Principal at the College of Medicine, Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences.



Mr. Jay(Jooyoung) Yoo

Supporting primary healthcare with digital imaging diagnosis system in Tanzania.

SITEC, Main Hall 2:00PM - 3:30 PM

SITEC Africa Business Development Manager



Dr. Eric van Praag

PHC Book Updates

Freelencer, Main Hall 2:00PM - 3:30 PM

Dr. Eric van Praag, with 30+ years' experience, led HIV program scaling in Tanzania and provided technical support across sub-Saharan Africa. His expertise spans infectious diseases, health systems, and innovative program integration. Previous roles include coordinating HIV care at WHO Geneva and leading HIV response in Zambia.



Prof. Blandina T.
Mmbaga

Updates: Early Intensive Treatments of infants living with HIV

KCRI, Main Hall 2:00PM - 3:30 PM

Prof. Blandina, a paediatrician at Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Centre (KCMC), is involved in clinical, teaching, and research activities. She holds a PhD from the University of Bergen and is the Director of the Kilimanjaro Clinical Research Institute (KCRI) and research at Kilimanjaro Christian Medical University College. Dr. Mmbaga is an Adjunct Associate Professor of Duke Global Health, leads clinical trials for HIV and TB, and conducts research on various diseases including AMR, NCDs, oncology, mental health, trauma, and more. She mentors students at all levels and aims to support healthcare improvement through research in Tanzania and Africa.



Prof. Kaushik
Ramaiya

Curent Strategies in Improving NCDs services at PHC

Shree Hindu Mandal Hospital, Main Hall 2:00PM - 3:30 PM

Prof. Kaushik Ramaiya, Consultant Physician in Internal Medicine/Endocrinology, serves as CEO at Shree Hindu Mandal Hospital, Dar es Salaam, and Hon. Lecturer at Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences. Additionally, he holds the title of Hon. Professor of Medicine & Global Health at Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, UK. With over 60 peer-reviewed articles, he's a Board Member of World Diabetes Foundation and Hon. General Secretary of Tanzania Diabetes Association and Tanzania NCD Alliance. Dr. Ramaiya obtained his medical degree from the University of Bombay and completed postgraduate training at the University of Dar es Salaam.

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CUSTOMER CARE WORKSHOP

Kawawa Hall 2:00 - 3:30 PM

IPHC 2024 will host a customer care workshop focusing on how healthcare professionals can elevate the customer care experience in health facilities and the involvement of financial institutions in the healthcare sector. The workshop's goal is to explore how financial institutions can support healthcare workers in delivering excellent patient care. Recognizing the importance of financial stability and access to resources can empower healthcare providers to offer exceptional services.

With interactive sessions and expert facilitators, attendees will gather valuable insights on the integration of finance and healthcare. Be part of this meaningful conversation and make a positive contribution to healthcare services by joining us at IPHC 2024.

**Ms. Suzan Shuma****Facilitator****Ms. Yolanda Urrio****Facilitator**Partners



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