



2ND NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON HIV/AIDS & STDs IN KENYA

Organised by National AIDS and STDs Control Programme
Ministry of Health

28th - 30th October, 1998

Kenya College of Communications Technology (KCCT) - Mbagathi

ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS

Background

According to estimates from UNAIDS, 11.8 million people died of AIDS in 1997 worldwide while currently 30.6 million others are infected with HIV. In sub-Sahara Africa alone, 11 million people are estimated to be infected with HIV. At the same time over 200,000 Kenyans are estimated to have developed AIDS since the epidemic started. Most of these people are already dead. AIDS cases are only a tip of the iceberg. By end of 1997, over 1.4 million people were estimated to be carrying the virus that causes AIDS. These include an estimated 90,000 children.

The need to reduce the number of new cases of HIV/AIDS cannot be underemphasised. The Government of Kenya and other agencies have undertaken this challenge.

The first National HIV/AIDS and STDs Conference was held in Kenya in 1993. It brought together scientists, researchers and service providers from within the country, with representatives from Uganda and Tanzania.

This 2nd National Conference is therefore a follow-up of the 1993 conference. It aims at discussing new developments which have occurred since then.

Objectives

The main objectives of the conference are to:

- ◆ Bring together researchers, experts, practitioners, policy-makers, the community leaders, service providers, people living with AIDS, the youth, religious groups and other stakeholders to exchange information on emerging issues, technologies and approaches in HIV/AIDS and STDs prevention and care.
- ◆ Determine from the researchers and practitioners, the numbers and research studies that have been conducted on HIV/AIDS and STDs in order to finalise the research data base.
- ◆ Provide a forum for dissemination of research findings from research done locally, and in the African region and elsewhere.
- ◆ Identify gaps in research and prioritise research issues that need to be addressed urgently.
- ◆ Make recommendations for future interventions

Conference Topics

Track A Basic Sciences

Laboratory research topics, vaccines immunology and microbiology.

Track B Clinical Science and Care

Clinical research, care, antiretrovirals, opportunistic infections (OIs), TB, nursing, palliative care, counselling and home-based care.

Track C Epidemiology, Prevention and Public Health

Research on HIV incidence, prevalence and natural history, demographic factors, determinants of HIV transmission, risk factors, technological and behavioural interventions and public health strategies.

Track D Social and Behavioural Science

Research on broad range of social and behavioural sciences, economics, political studies, law, ethics and human rights, development studies, human sexuality, gender issues, anthropology, psychology, sociology and culture.

Track E Programmes

Programmes, experiences, theatre and art presentations and lessons learned.

Scientific Programme

The Scientific Committee will arrange various scientific activities including plenary sessions, oral and poster presentations and sponsored symposium(s). Individual or group (institutional) presentations are encouraged.

Abstracts

Abstracts should reach the Secretariat by 21st August 1998. They should not exceed 200 words and should be typed using size 10 and line spacing of 1.5. The title of the paper must be in upper case. Show the surnames and initials of the authors and underline the name of the presenter. An abstract is expected to describe the study rationale, objective, methodology, design, results and conclusion (s).

Exhibitions

The Conference will include exhibitions on laboratory equipment, pharmaceutical products, hospital equipment, publications on health and related issues and other ethical products.

The conference book of abstracts and programme will also carry advertisements of ethical products and services. Interested parties should contact the Secretariat. A modest fee will be charged for exhibition and advertisements as under:

Full colour A4 page	\$ 600
Black & White A4 page	\$ 400
1/2 page black & white	\$ 250
Satellite meetings	\$ 1,000

Participants

The 2nd National HIV/AIDS and STDs Conference aims to bring together experts practitioners, researchers and other stake holders. Individual scientist, department institutions, NGOs and international development agencies are encouraged to participate.

Registration

Participants should either register in advance through NASCOP Secretariat or at the conference venue starting from **Tuesday 27th October, 1998 at 2.00 pm**. Registration fee will be as follows:

	Early Registration	Late Registration
International organisation	\$450	\$500
Local organisation/NGO/Institutions	\$150	\$200
Individual	\$15	\$20

Deadline for early registration is **15th September, 1998**.

Travel

Participants from outside Kenya will be met at the airport on request. Visas for Kenya can be obtained at the Kenyan embassies or at the airport. Foreign participants should confirm with international airlines concerning Kenya visa requirements.

Hotel accomodation

Details for accomodation and hotel tariffs will be provided on request.

Social events

Tours, safaris and leisure activities will be arranged on request by reputable tour companies.

Congress venue

Kenya College of Communications Technology is located a few kilometres from city centre. It is served by bus No. 126. It has a modern conference facility and residential facilities.

For further information contact:

Secretariat (Att. R. Mutemi)

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STDs/HIV/AIDS conference

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☐ Plenary presentation

☐ Oral presentation

☐ Poster

☐ Workshop/Symposium/Exhibition

☐ Advertisement in Programme/Abstract book

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