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## CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

### 6<sup>th</sup> KAMMP International Scientific Conference 2024

Pride Inn Paradise Beach Resort, Mombasa, 15–17<sup>th</sup> Nov 2024

The Kenya Association of Muslim Medical Professionals (KAMMP) is pleased to invite researchers, healthcare professionals, scientists, religious scholars, policymakers, and other stakeholders to submit abstracts for either **Oral** or **Poster** presentations for the above-mentioned conference. This is a great opportunity to disseminate and share study results, emerging issues, and best practices, and learn with hundreds of Muslim professionals from across the country and beyond. Kindly draft your abstract according to the Conference Theme and Sub-Themes stated below:

**Theme: UNITY IN HEALTH: COLLABORATIVE APPROACHES TO MEDICAL ADVANCES, HEALTH POLICIES AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT**

**Sub-themes:**

- 1. Healthcare from the Islamic and Cultural Lenses:** *Janazah Fiqh and Procedures; Hijama Technique; Healthy Lifestyles, Health Status of Kenyan Muslims.*
- 2. Transformative Medical practices for improved patients' outcomes:** *Cardio-renal metabolic; Diabetic Emergencies; Clinical Diagnostics; Differentiated HIV Testing Strategy; Disease Prevention and Control; ACLS.*
- 3. Education progression, mentorship, & Career Pathways in Healthcare:** *Basics of Research; Skills Stations: Sign Language for Health Workers; Counseling Skills; CV Writing; Job Interview Skills; Career Guidance*
- 4. Data and Technological Advances in Health:** *Navigating Telemedicine; AI; Health Informatics*
- 5. Multi-sectoral Health Policies Development & Implementation:** *Health and Climate Change; Collaboration in Curbing Illicit Drug Use; School Health Promotion*

### Important Dates

Abstract Submission Deadline: **31<sup>st</sup> July 2024**

Abstract Acceptance Notification: **30<sup>th</sup> August 2024**

Registration deadline for Abstract Presenters: **15<sup>th</sup> August 2024**

Main Conference Pride Inn Beach Resort, Mombasa, **15<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

## STEP 1: ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

### Please read the submission guidelines thoroughly

An abstract is a brief description of your research or other work. It is designed to give the reviewer(s) and the conference attendees a comprehensive yet concise understanding of your research or other work. There are two different formats for submission of abstracts for the KAMMP Conference.

#### OPTION 1 (Scientific study including operational research)

The first option is for reporting on completed qualitative or quantitative research epidemiological or social science research, surveys, or surveillance. It should tell readers WHY you conducted the research, WHAT you did, HOW you did it, WHAT you found, and WHAT it means. It should include the following sections:

- **Title:** Must have a title
- **Authors and affiliations:** Underline the author who shall present at the conference if approved.
- **Corresponding author and contact details:** Name, email, phone number.
- **Background:** A concise statement of the issue and rationale for the study.
- **Objectives:** Aim and objectives of the research/evaluation, or case review.
- **Methods:** Description of the research/evaluation methods, including study design, target population, location, sample size, selection criteria, key variables, or indicators.
- **Results:** Specific findings or outcomes of the research/evaluation: socio-demographics, key indicator results, and other achievements.
- **Conclusions, recommendations, and implications:** Describe how key findings may inform future programming, policy, well-being and research, with reference to the conference theme.
- **Conference Theme:** Please indicate the sub-theme that is most relevant for your abstract.
- **Preferred Presentation Format:** Propose if your abstract is for Oral or Poster Presentation

#### OPTION 2 (Projects, Experiences, Learned Opinions)

The second option is suited for presenting new projects, interventions, or service delivery models to enhance general understanding or response to critical health issues, and their future implications. It is suited for information gained through routine program data, or project evaluation of community-level experiences and best practices. Abstracts presented under option 2 should include:

- **Title:** Must have a title
- **Authors and affiliations:** Underline the author who shall present if approved.
- **Corresponding author and contact details:** Name, email, phone number.
- **Issues:** a summary of the rationale or issue(s) being addressed by the intervention or project.
- **Description:** a description of the design of WHAT, WHERE, HOW, and by WHOM an intervention, project, experience, service, and/or advocacy is being implemented.
- **Lessons learned:** conclusions and implications of the intervention or project. Cite data that support lessons learned and evidence on factors that may have contributed to success and failure.
- **Next steps:** suggestions for future scale-up or strengthening implementation.
- **Conference Theme:** Please indicate the sub-theme that is most relevant for your abstract.
- **Preferred Presentation Format:** Propose if your abstract is for Oral or Poster Presentation

## ABSTRACT REVIEW PROCESS AND SELECTION CRITERIA

All abstracts will be graded by an independent Scientific review committee that will use the following criteria to either Accept or Reject an abstract for Oral or Poster Presentation:

1. **Relevance (includes Currency and appropriateness)**
2. **Importance or Significance in the field**
3. **Compliance**
4. **Originality and Novelty**
5. **Quality**

### Abstract scoring tool

<b>Scoring guide</b> (Poor = 1, Fair = 2, Good = 3, Excellent = 5)	Reviewer 1	Reviewer 2	Reviewer 3	Reviewer 4	Total Rating Maximum 16 points	Comments
<b>1. Relevance</b> To what extent does the abstract contribute to professional development of KAMMP Members from different cadres and fields?						
<b>2. Currency</b> To what extent is the abstract addressing current or emerging issues of interest for a reasonable number of conference attendees?						
<b>3. Appropriateness</b> Is the study or project design, method of data collection, analysis and reported findings and conclusion appropriate for the question or title of abstract						
<b>4. Significance</b> How important is the topic? How well does this abstract inform/guide other programs and policies and ultimately contribute toward improved health and well-being for Muslims						
<b>5. Alignment with Conference Theme &amp; Sub-themes</b> <b>THEME:</b> Unity in health: collaborative approaches to medical advances, Health policies and career development <b>Sub-Themes:</b> 1) Healthcare from the Islamic and Cultural Lenses ; 2) Transformative Medical practices for improved patients' outcomes ; 3) Education progression, mentorship, & Career Pathways in Healthcare ; 4) Data and Technological Advances in Health; Telemedicine and AI 5) Multi-sectoral Health Policies Development & Implementation						
<b>6. Novelty or Newness</b> Is abstract original work? the abstract must show innovative information, cutting-edge results, or present a new topic or application?						
<b>7. Compliance</b> Is the abstract organized according to guidelines? Is it in English? Are all sections completed for Option 1 or Option 2? Does it only present primary findings and avoids, whenever possible, promissory statements such as "experiments are in progress" or "results will be discussed". Was abstract submitted within Deadline?						
<b>8. Quality</b> Is the abstract concise and well-organised and with logical flow? Is the information easy to understand without much jargon?						
<b>Total Score per Abstract</b> Maximum Score per reviewer: 8 x 5 = 40 Maximum total score for 4 reviewers: 40 x 4 = 160						
<b>Recommended for Consideration?</b> YES/NO						
<b>Conclusion</b> 1. Approved for Oral Presentation 2. Approved for Poster Presentation 3. Partial Approval with Modification 4. Not Approved						

### **Please note:**

The Abstract Review Committee independently decides whether to Approve, Partially Approve, or Not Approve submitted abstracts. They also have the final say on the presentation format. If an abstract is approved and the author indicated a preference for Oral Presentation, the Abstract Review Committee needs to give approval on whether to accept it for Oral or Poster Presentation. If an approved abstract was submitted with a preference for poster presentation, it is up to the Abstract Review Committee to decide whether or not to accept it as a poster presentation only.

Kindly note that while this call is seeking both **oral** and **poster** presentations, early submission before the deadline is more likely to secure opportunities for **plenary talks**.

### **The most frequent reasons for rejecting an abstract could be:**

- **Not properly written or not understandable**
- **No new information provided**
- **Preliminary work not yet finalized**
- **Promotional in nature**
- **Previously published**
- **Duplicate of another abstract**

## STEP 3: GUIDANCE FOR APPROVED ABSTRACTS

### 1. Register for the conference

All Delegates with approved abstracts are required to register for the conference in advance by **15<sup>th</sup> October 2024** to secure their time slots. The registration fee is the same as for non-presenters. No one will be admitted to the presentation area without an official KAMMP Conference Badge.

2. **Brief Biography:** Oral Presentation authors need to submit a brief biosketch of their work experience and professional qualifications within one month of their abstract acceptance.

### 3. Presentation format

Following approval by the Abstract Review Committee, Authors shall prepare their presentations according to the officially recommended presentation format for either **Oral** or **Poster** presentation.

#### a) **Format for Oral presentations**

This mode of presentation is reserved for research that has definitive results at the submission time.

**Duration for Oral Presentation:** You are granted a total of **10 minutes** of presentation time. You will be politely requested to conclude your presentation when your 10 minutes have expired.

**Format:** The presentation slides must be uploaded in **PowerPoint (.pptx, .ppt)**.

**Number of slides:** The total size of presentation should not exceed **10 slides**.

**Arrangement:** It is recommended each section of the abstract be on its own slide, e.g. Option 1:

1. Title, author, and Affiliations: 1 slide
2. Introduction: 2 slides
3. Methods: 1 slide
4. Results: 2 slides
5. Discussion: 2 slides
6. Conclusions: 1 slide
7. Acknowledgement: 1 slide

**Aspect ratio:** Please format your slides in landscape with a 16:9 widescreen aspect ratio for the best result.

**Fonts:** We recommend that you use standard Windows PC font types such as Arial or Calibri size 16+

**Media:** Any multi-media must be embedded within the presentation file(s)

## b) Format for posters

Posters shall be displayed for the entire duration of the conference. There is no allocated time for formal presentation of approved Posters. Delegates will be reminded to view posters during health breaks.

**Poster board dimensions:** The maximum available dimensions of the portrait poster board are: **90cm wide x 150cm high** and a minimum poster size of A1 portrait (59cm wide x 84cm high) is recommended. Any poster that overlaps an adjoining board will be removed.

1. Arrange the sections chronologically. E.g. for Option 2, start from the top to bottom within a single column, or divided across two columns side by side:
  - Title
  - Issue
  - Description
  - Lessons Learnt
  - Next Steps
  - Acknowledgements with logos
2. Keep text to a minimum, emphasize graphics, and make sure every item in the poster is necessary.
3. Posters must correspond directly with the original abstract submitted.
4. Posters must be written and presented in English.
5. The use of colour makes the poster more effective and attractive. A neutral or grey colour as the background will be easier for the viewer than a bright colour. In addition, colour photos look best when mounted on grey.
6. A font size of at least 28pt is recommended to ensure the text is legible from a good distance.
7. Posters should be made from thin poster paper or lightweight cardboard. Do not use other materials, such as heavy cardboard, fabric, plastic, vinyl, or tarpaulin, as they generally prove difficult to secure on the poster board and often fall off the board.
8. Poster numbers (e.g. p010) will be indicated at each panel.
9. Posters should be affixed to the boards with double-sided tape or Velcro, which will be provided. No pins or tacks are allowed.
10. Presenters must bring their acceptance letter and congress registration badge in order to gain access to the poster area for mounting posters.

## PLEASE NOTE

**Deadline:** No later than **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2024 at midnight East African Time**

**Where submission:** Abstracts must be submitted to [conference@kammp.or.ke](mailto:conference@kammp.or.ke)

**Subject line:** **INITIAL ABSTRACT SUBMISSION FOR POSTER / ORAL PRESENTATION.**

**Modification:** All Authors have the flexibility to edit their abstracts prior to the submission deadline. No further changes will be accepted after that date. Edited abstracts should be forwarded to the same email with the subject line **EDITED ABSTRACT SUBMISSION FOR POSTER /ORAL PRESENTATION.**

**Withdrawal of Abstracts:** In case you need to withdraw your Abstract for poster and podium presentations, presenters are required to notify KAMMP via email at [conference@kammp.or.ke](mailto:conference@kammp.or.ke) with the subject line **WITHDRAWN ABSTRACT: ID NUMBER.....** This should be done no later than 1<sup>st</sup> November 2024. Failure to comply will render you ineligible for future presentations.

**Late Breaker selection:** Please note that you could be notified to present your abstract as a poster, two weeks prior to the conference if an initially selected presenter withdraws and your abstract is next in line.

**Posters Photography Policy:** Please notify us to provide a **“no photos sticker”** through the email address provided if you **do not** wish photos to be taken.

**Cost of Poster:** **KAMMP regrets that it shall NOT provide sponsorship** for conference registration, travel, accommodation, or other expenses in respect of an accepted abstract.

**Consent for Publication:** Your abstract, if accepted, will be published in the Programme book, and made available on the KAMMP website. Please notify us through email if you do not wish to have your abstract or presentation uploaded for dissemination on the KAMMP website.

**Photography Rules and Regulations:** The intention is to facilitate the sharing of content within the scientific, health professional, and patient communities while respecting the copyrights and intellectual property of the presenters. Everyone has the right to request **no screenshots/photographs** during their presentation/session/activities. We, therefore, ask you to **highlight at submission** whether **"yes or no"** to record your presentation or photographs.

For more information, visit the **KAMMP** website <http://www.kammp.or.ke> under section **CONFERENCE 2024.**

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