# 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Africa Interdisciplinary Health Conference (AfIHC 2025) Concept Note for Funding

#### **Conference Description**

Africa Interdisciplinary Health Conference (AfIHC) is an annual conference organized by a non-governmental organization, Push Aid Africa, Inc., registered as a not-for-profit organization in both the United States of America and Ghana. The purpose of the conference is to create a platform for the various healthcare providers in both clinical and academic/research settings to meet and discuss their research findings to promote evidence-based practices related to the health sector in Africa. AfIHC is designed as a peer-reviewed forum for health-related researchers, practitioners, academics, and students at all levels. It serves as a unique platform for students, researchers and health professionals to showcase and discuss their innovative health-related research. AfIHC is unique because it emphasizes the importance of interdisciplinary exchange and welcomes submissions from a wide range of health-related disciplines. AfIHC is organized on a rotational basis in various African countries.

The conference started in 2018. The most recent edition was hosted by University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, South Africa from August 21 to August 23, 2024. Over 180 participants from 22 countries participated with over 70 abstract presentations, 5 panel discussions and 3 keynote presentations. The 2025 conference planning is currently underway and is scheduled to be held from August 13 to August 15, 2025, in collaboration with the University of Lagos in Lagos, Nigeria. We are expecting 400 participants from at least 25 countries at this year's conference. Our post-conference evaluation for the 2024 edition showed that more than 90% of our participants rated their overall experience at the conference as excellent or very good. Majority (95%) of the participants also expressed their desire to attend our next year's conference. There will also be a free pre-conference workshop on August 11 and 12, 2025. Our free pre-conference workshop seeks to train early career researchers on various research methodologies, grant writing, manuscript writing and overall research management. We are therefore reaching out to potential donors/sponsors to seek support for AfIHC 2025 through various ways including monetary, material or any other way to enable the conference to be a success.

#### **Conference Aims**

- 1. To showcase research and best practices in a wide range of health-related disciplines across Africa and beyond.
- 2. To provide a forum for networking and collaboration among health-related practitioners, academics, researchers, and students.
- 3. To engage with and learn from health leaders around the world.

#### **Vision**

Our vision is to promote a strong collaboration among health-related stakeholders for evidence-based healthcare delivery in Africa.

#### **Mission Statement**

AfIHC's mission is to advance the understanding of health through interdisciplinary research and to promote evidence-based practice among healthcare providers across Africa. It seeks to provide the opportunity for health-related researchers, practitioners, and students to network and establish mutually beneficial south-south and south-north collaborations. AfIHC is committed to translating health-related research into practice in Africa.

#### **Conference Participants**

While this conference is intended for clinicians, researchers, health-related professionals or academics in the medical and allied health sciences, other professionals and students could apply to attend and benefit from the conference presentations and networking opportunities.

#### AfIHC 2025 Venue and Key Dates

Venue: University of Lagos, Lagos, Nigeria Abstract submission due date: March 15, 2025 Abstract decision notification: April 30, 2025 Early bird registration due date: June 20, 2025

Pre-conference: August 11-12, 2025 Conference: August 13-15, 2025

#### **Conference Partnership Opportunities and Benefits**

#### Diamond Sponsor - USD 40,000

- 1. Opportunity to call for a special track of full papers and/or abstracts.
- 2. Pre-recorded or live 3-5 minutes address to conference participants to be played during the opening plenary.
- 3. Complimentary conference registrations for 6 participants from your organization.
- 4. Have a full page in the conference book to advertise (Content to be provided by donor).
- 5. Opportunity to announce a lucky draw winner during the conference.
- 6. Opportunity to organize a luncheon or dinner session during the conference.
- 7. Sixty (60) minutes panel to showcase work in the breakout room.
- 8. Inclusion of a special offer from your company in the conference Goody Bag.
- 9. Digital flyer / company profile included on our website and in the conference booklet.
- 10. Recognition on the AfIHC website: Listed under sponsors and/or exhibitors.
- 11. Opportunity to organize a 60-minute panel on any topic related to your products or services.
- 12. Exhibit your product during the conference.

#### **Ruby Sponsor - USD 30,000**

- 1. Pre-recorded 3-minute address to the conference participants to be played during the opening plenary.
- 2. Complimentary conference registrations for 6 participants from your organization.
- 3. Have a full page in the conference book to advertise (Content to be provided by donor).
- 4. Opportunity to announce a lucky draw winner during the conference.
- 5. Opportunity to organize a luncheon or dinner session during the conference.

- 6. Opportunity to organize a 60-minute panel on any topic related to your product or services.
- 7. All items in Sapphire Sponsor category below.

#### Sapphire Sponsor - USD 20,000

- 1. Pre-recorded 2-minute address to the conference participants to be played during the opening plenary.
- Inclusion of a special offer from your company in the conference Goody Bag.
- 3. Digital flyer / company profile included on the AfIHC website and in the conference booklet.
- 4. All items in Emerald Sponsor category below.

#### **Emerald Sponsor - USD 10,000**

- 1. 60 minutes panel to showcase your work in the breakout room.
- 2. Recognition on the AfIHC website: Listed under sponsors and/or exhibitors.
- 3. Company/Institution logo on the AfIHC website and in the conference booklet.
- 4. Exhibit your product during the conference.

#### **Opal Sponsor - USD 5,000**

- 1. 45 minutes panel to showcase work in the breakout room.
- 2. Exhibit your products during the conference.

## Pearl Sponsor - Any amount to sponsor participant(s) from Africa to participate in the conference

1. Recognition during the opening and closing plenary session.

### **Exhibition Fee**

#### Company/Institution from High income country - USD 2,000

- 1. Dedicated booth to display products or services
- 2. Complementary registration of two participants

#### Company/Institution from Low-and Middle-Income Country – USD 1,000

- 1. Dedicated booth to display products or services
- 2. Complementary registration of two participants

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