Abstracts shall be submitted in English as either Option 1 or 2 as described below.

1. Option 1: Scientific abstracts

- o Title of paper; name, institutional affiliation, phone number and email address of corresponding author; name of presenting author and co-authors
- o Background: State the purpose and objective of the research/evaluation, the hypothesis that was tested or describe the problem being addressed by the research. Highlight the main objective of the study that was conducted This should be aligned with the title and content to be presented
- Methods: State the study design, setting, study population, data collection and analysis methods
- o Results: Present the key findings of the study
- Conclusions: Describe the significance of your findings and further implications of the results

2. Option 2: Public Health Practice/Best Practice abstracts

- o Title of paper; name, institutional affiliation, phone number and email address of corresponding author; name of presenting author and co-authors
- Background: Summarize the purpose, scope and objectives, of the programme, project or policy. Identify the specific challenges to programme/project/policy implementation
- Description: Describe the programme, project or policy period, setting, target population (if applicable), activities and interventions undertaken in support of the programme, project or policy and methods, procedures and techniques used to collect and analyse data
- Results and lessons learnt: Present the findings/outcomes of the programme, project or policy Include an analysis or evaluation of lessons learned and best practices
- Conclusions/Next steps: Describe the significance of your findings/outcomes and future implications of the results

3. Word Limit

- The abstract text body is limited to 300 words. Titles are limited to 30 words only
- o Tables and graphs should not be part of the abstract

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