

**UNIVERSITY OF BENIN, BENIN CITY, NIGERIA  
CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE IN REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH INNOVATION (CERHI)**

**MOVING RESEARCH TO POLICY AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING: INTENSIVE REGIONAL SHORT COURSE ON LITERATURE REVIEW, SYSTEMATIC ANALYSIS/META-ANALYSIS, JOURNAL/THESES WRITING AND KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER FOR EFFECTIVE POSTGRADUATE EDUCATION IN WEST AND CENTRAL AFRICA**

**DATES: JULY 17-22, 2017**

**VENUE: CERHI SECRETARIAT, UNIVERSITY OF BENIN, BENIN CITY. NIGERIA  
ARRIVAL: SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2017**

**AGENDA**

**DAY 1: MONDAY, JULY 17, 2017**

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| 8-9.00am | Registration – CERHI Staff   |
| 9.00 am  | Introduction of participants and facilitators – Dr. A. R. Isara  |
| 9.15am   | Welcome Remarks – Prof. Obehi Okojie   |
| 9.25 am  | Workshop objectives – Dr. Peter Sede   |
| 9.35 am  | About CERHI and this workshop – Professor Friday Okonofua  |
| 10.00 am | Rationale and benefits of effective review of the literature in postgraduate education – Dr. A. A. Omonkhua    |
| 11am     | Discussion   |
| 11.15 am | Tea Break  |
| 11.45 am | Systematic Reviews: Rationale, benefits and methods – Dr. Lorretta Ntoimo                                      |
| 12.30 am | General Discussion   |
| 11.45 am | Hands-on experiences and demonstration of systematic reviews – Dr. Lorretta Ntoimo and team                    |
| 1.00pm   | Obtaining research evidence – meta-analysis and ranking scientific evidence. Prof. M. Meremikwu                |
| 1.30pm   | Demonstration of meta-analysis: evidence from the Cochrane Collaboration. Prof. M. Meremikwu                   |
| 2.0pm    | Lunch  |
| 3.0pm    | Description and demonstration of software for conducting literature reviews and bibliography. Dr. Rosemary Ogu |

5.0pm Final remarks and closing – Dr. Peter Sede

**DAY 2: TUESDAY, JULY 18, 2017**

8.30 am Review of Day 1 – Dr. Esohe Ogboghodo  
9.00am Template for Writing a Master’s Thesis, with examples. Dr. Emmanuel Adukwu,  
University of West England, United Kingdom

9.45 am Template for writing a PhD Thesis, with examples. Prof. N. E. S. Lale  
10.30 am General Discussion

10.45 am Tea Break

11.15 am General Discussion on theses writing – the dos and the don’ts. Prof. A.  
Okhamafe

11.45 am Writing for a journal: The example of the Tropical Journal of Pharmaceutical  
Research. Prof. A. Okhamafe

12.15pm Writing for a journal: The example of the African Journal of Reproductive Health.  
Prof. F. E. Okonofua

12.45 pm Publication and journal ranking. Writing for top rank journals in the sciences.  
Prof. M. Faborode, Executive Secretary, Association of Vice-Chancellors of  
Nigerian Universities

1.30 pm General Discussion – led by Prof. V. E. Omozuwa, Dean of the School of  
Postgraduate Studies, UNIBEN  
2.0pm Lunch

3.0pm Journal submission clinic – Choosing the right journals for publications. This  
section would be devoted to identifying the principles of choosing the right  
journals, and using a software to choose the right journal in order to increase the  
chances of publication.  
- principles of choosing a journal for publication: Dr. Lorretta Ntiomo  
- Using software to choose the journal: Dr. Rosemary Ogu  
- General Comments: Professors Okamafe, Omozuwa and Okonofua

5pm Closing for the day.

**DAY 3: WEDNESDAY, JULY 19, 2017**

8.30 am Review of Day 2 – Dr. Esohe Ogboghodo

- 9.00am Effective Use of the Library for research and publications. Dr. Evelyn Idiodi, University of Benin Librarian
- 10.00am Online sources of journals, reading and resources materials – a review. Dr. Joshua Atah, National Universities Commission, and Dr. Idiodi, University Librarian
- 10.45 am General Discussion
- 11.00 am Tea Break
- 11.30 am Guided Tour of the University of Benin library- led by Dr. Evelyn Idiodi, University Librarian
- 12.30 pm Strategic communication of research findings – writing media briefs, talking to the media and writing policy briefs. Mrs. Jackie Opara-Fatoye
- 1.15pm Group work on writing policy briefs and media briefs
- 2.15 pm Lunch
- 3.00pm Communicating research findings using social media – Prof. Roseangela Nwuba and ICT Director, UNIMED.
- 3.45 pm Break-out sessions on use of social media –twitter, face-book and blogs – UNIMED and UNIBEN ICT directors
- 5pm Closing

#### **DAY 4: THURSDAY, JULY 20, 2017**

- 8.30 am Review of Day 3. Dr. Esohe Ogboghodo
- 9.00am Identifying a framework for promoting industry-research alliance and collaboration. Dr. Godwin Ehigiamusoe, ED LAPO Microfinance Bank.
- 10 am Policymakers and Research: the demand and supply question. Dr. Peter Ugbodaga, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health Edo State
- 11 am Tea break
- 11.30 am Introduction to health policy, health systems and knowledge translation – Prof. Jesse Uneke
- 12.15 pm Inter-sectorial collaboration in policy making and implementation. Dr. Henry Uro-Chukwu

- 1.15pm Managing political interference in policy making and implementation. Dr. Henry Uro-Chukwu
- 1.45 pm Policy making and the legislative process – Dr. Henry Uro-Chukwu
- 2.15 pm Lunch
- 3.00pm Introduction to EQUIST – overview and theory of change. Prof. Jesse Uneke
- 3.45 pm EQUIST’s structure module 1: situational analysis. 1) profile analysis of under-5 mortality, maternal mortality, and health/nutritional analysis (supervised group work). Prof. Jesse Uneke
- 5.0pm Closing for the day

**DAY 5: THURSDAY, JULY 21, 2017**

- 8.30 am Review of Day 4
- 9.00am EQUIST’s structure module. Situational analysis. Profile of epidemiology and health coverage (supervised group work). Prof. Jesse Uneke
- 10 am Tea break.
- 10.30 am EQUIST’s structure module. Situational analysis. Profile of inequity and benchmarks (supervised group work). Prof. Jesse Uneke
- 12.00 pm EQUIST’s structure module. Scenario analysis – community participation and priority steps. (supervised group work). Prof. Jesse Uneke
- 1.00 pm EQUIST’s structure module. Scenario analysis – bottleneck causes and strategies. (supervised group work). Prof. Jesse Uneke
- 2.00pm Lunch
- 3.00pm EQUIST’s structure module. Scenario comparison. Costs and lives saved, costs per capita and strategies for averting deaths (supervised group work). Prof. Jesse Uneke
- 4.30 pm Workshop evaluation
- 4.45 pm Workshop closure and closing remarks. Prof. F. E. Okonofua