

Building Resilient Healthcare that Empowers People

4th East of England **Global Health Conference** 

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# **Welcome & Agenda**

# 4th East of England Global Health Conference

# Building resilient healthcare that empowers people

The 4th East of England Global Health Conference is an opportunity to learn from, share ideas and connect with the people exploring creative and sustainable strategies to build resilient healthcare systems that empower us all.

Sponsored by Costello Medical, the conference explores the role of innovation, service design and access, and why a willingness to learn globally is key to changing the global health landscape for the better.

## **Poster competition**

New for 2024, the Conference poster competition is an opportunity to recognise, share and celebrate the many different ways of contributing to and participating in global health.



# **09:00 Registration and refreshments**Foyer

09:30 Welcome

**Evelyn Brealey**, Cambridge Global Health Partnerships, Plenary room.

**09:40 Opening Keynote Pippa Heylings**, MP for South

Cambridgeshire, Plenary room.

10:20 **Ses**sion 1

**Research in Global Health** Plenary room.

**11:30** Refreshment break Foyer.

**12:00 Session 2** 

**Education in Global Health** Plenary room.

13:15 Lunch, poster viewing and networking

Foyer.

14:15 **Session 3** 

**Clinical Practice in Global Health** Plenary room.

**15:30 Refreshment break** Foyer.

**16:00 Rapporteur wrap up** Plenary room.

**16:15 Closing Keynote Professor Joe Jarvis**, London School of

Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, Plenary room.

**17:00 Drinks reception and poster viewing** Foyer.

# **Sessions 1 and 2**



#### **Presentations and panel discussion**

**Chaired by Professor Peter Hutchinson** 

# Working with communities to advance research in acquired brain and spine injuries

#### **Professor Charlotte Whiffin**

Working in collaboration with communities is vital to advance global health research in acquired brain and spine injury. The presentation will look at examples of community engagement and reflect on ways to build meaningful and sustainable partnerships between researchers and the communities they serve.

# Is high-quality research possible in the realms of global trauma care?

#### **Dr Michael Bath**

Ensuring high-quality data is key when attempting to implement policy change within global health, however in the realms of global trauma, this can prove challenging. Tackling this problem often requires a mixture of qualitative and quantitative approaches.

## Strengthening Surgical Safety: lessons from Clean Cut in low-income environments

### Dr Assefa Tesfaye (remote)

An overview of Lifebox's Clean Cut programme and the results that have been achieved over the years.

# Optimising surgical antibiotic prophylaxis in low resource settings: lessons from Ethiopia and Rwanda

## Dr Alype Rwamatwara (remote)

The rationale behind integrating Antibiotic Timeout into the Clean Cut programme, its impact during the pilot phase in Ethiopia, and the ongoing efforts in Rwanda.



# **Session 2**

#### **Presentations and panel discussion**

**Chaired by Dr Elinor Moore** 

# From classroom to clinic: innovative training solutions for health workers

#### **Dr Aneesa Ahmed**

How Amref deploys and scales mobile and digital-based training solutions and their impact - particularly for the community health workforce across 35 countries of operation in Africa.

## **Training doctors in Malawi**

# Professor Wakisa Mulwafu (remote), with Dr Isobel Fitzgerald O'Connor (in person)

A brief discussion on the challenges of training doctors and healthcare professionals for Malawi and plans for the future

## Medical education for a global population

#### **Anna Cook**

Increasingly medical education needs to meet the needs of a global population, not just the local population. How using the expertise of medical professionals around the globe can broaden the experiences

the experiences of students.



# Session 3 and Keynotes



### Presentations and panel discussion

**Chaired by Dr Katherine Sharrocks** 

#### From remote to reachable

#### **Dr Thinn Thinn Hlaing**

How telehealth service is enhancing ground medical services in Myanmar and the role the health partnership community and diaspora are playing in undergraduate medical and nursing training and continuous professional development of healthworkers.

# Developing sustainable models for improvement – thoughts from Kakamega

#### **Liam Barford**

This presentation explores the changing landscape of improvement in global health and how to build resilient healthcare systems with improvement at their heart. Liam will reflect on thoughts and opportunities on empowered approaches from Kakamega, Kenya.

# How the NHS can learn more from low and middle-income countries

#### **Ben Simms**

Health partnerships are at the forefront of efforts to allow the NHS to learn globally for the benefit of patient care in the UK. This presentation identifies the key actors involved and the huge importance of improving health outcomes in low and middle income countries.

# **Keynote speakers**

# **Pippa Heylings**

Member of Parliament for South Cambridgeshire, Liberal Democrat Spokesperson (Energy Security and Net Zero)



Pippa Heylings was elected to South Cambridgeshire District Council in 2018. As co-chair of the local COVID-19 coordination team, she helped to create a strong sense of community and resilience in the region's villages.

Pippa's commitment to community service was fostered at a young age, supporting her GP Dad on his rounds. She saw the importance of a strong, well-funded NHS and safety nets for the most vulnerable in society. She developed a passion for the environment and has spent 20 years working internationally to help reduce poverty and tackle climate change. Her career as a mediator has seen her work with national governments and the UN on some of the world's most complex environmental challenges.

## **Professor Joe Jarvis**

Professor of Tropical Medicine and International Health, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine & Research Associate, Botswana Harvard AIDS Institute Partnership



Joe Jarvis is a Professor at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, and Research Associate at the Botswana Harvard AIDS Institute Partnership, based between Gaborone, Botswana, and London, UK. His main research interests are advanced HIV disease and opportunistic infections. He was the Chief Investigator for the Ambition

He was the Chief Investigator for the Ambition Study, a multi-centre phase 3 trial investigating novel treatments for HIV-associated cryptococcal meningitis in Africa. He has worked with the World Health Organization on their advanced HIV disease activities since early 2023 and led a recent AHD research landscape mapping consultation and report. He also works a consultant physician in infectious diseases and HIV medicine.

# **Speakers and chairs**



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#### **Professor Peter Hutchinson**

Professor of Neurosurgery, NIHR Research Professor and Head of the Division of Academic Neurosurgery within the Department of Clinical Neurosciences, University of Cambridge; Director of Clinical Studies at Robinson College, Cambridge, and Honorary Consultant Neurosurgeon at Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (CUH).

### **Professor Charlotte Whiffin**

Professor of Nursing, University of Derby and visiting researcher, NIHR Global Health Group on Acquired Brain and Spine Injuries.

### **Dr Michael Bath**

PhD Student, International Health Systems Group, Department of Engineering, University of Cambridge; General Surgery Registrar, London, and Clinical Research Fellow, Royal College of Surgeons.

## Dr Assefa Tesfaye

Clean Cut Clinical Lead, Lifebox, and medical doctor at St Peter Specialized Hospital in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

## Dr Alype Rwamatwara

Antibiotic Timeout Fellow, Rwanda Clean Cut project, Lifebox, and general practitioner at Nyarurenzi Medicalized Health Centre in Kigali, Rwanda.

### **Dr Elinor Moore**

Consultant Infectious Diseases, CUH; Training Programme Director Infectious Diseases, East of England and Associate Dean for Global Health, NHSE.

## **Dr Aneesa Ahmed**

Head of Programmes and Strategic Partnerships, Amref UK.

#### **Above, Row 2**

#### **Professor Wakisa Mulwafu**

Executive Dean, School of Medicine and Oral Health, Kamuzu University of Health Sciences, Malawi.

## Ms Isobel Fitzgerald O'Connor

Consultant ENT surgeon, CUH; Speciality Lead ENT Surgery; Lead for Medical Electives, University of Cambridge, and Associate Dean for Global Health, NHSE.

#### **Anna Cook**

Final Year Medical Student at the University of Cambridge.

## **Dr Katherine Sharrocks**

Consultant in Infectious Diseases and General Internal Medicine, RCP Tutor, and UK Lead for the AMS/ IPC project within the Kampala-Cambridge Health Partnership (Working to Improve Maternal and Neonatal Health).

### **Dr Thinn Thinn Hlaing**

Country Director, Global Health Partnerships (formerly THET) and Honorary Consultant Chemical Pathologist, CUH.

## **Liam Barford**

Operations Manager, Women's & Children's Services, CUH.

## **Ben Simms**

CEO, Global Health Partnerships (formerly THET).

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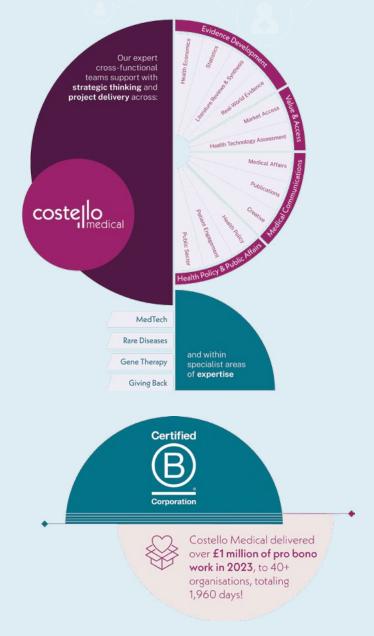
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