



Programme

4th VANUATU HEALTH RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

12-13 October 2023 - Port Vila



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Thursday, 12 October 2023	
Start time	Description
08:00 AM - 08:30 AM	Registrations
08:30 AM - 08:40 AM	Arrival of invited guests
08:40 AM - 08:50 AM	Opening and dedication prayer
08:50 AM - 09:00 AM	Welcome remarks from VMDA Chair * Dr Annette Garae
09:00 AM - 09:15 AM	Speech by Minister of Health * Honourable John Still Tari Qetu
09:15 AM - 09:20 AM	Group photo
09:20 AM - 09:50 AM	Morning tea and poster session
09:50 AM - 10:05 AM	Keynote speaker
10:05 AM - 11:05 AM	Plenary (panel): Disaster response reflections after Cyclones Judy and Kevin
11:05 AM - 11:35 AM	Research 4 Life - access to scientific publications
12:00 PM - 01:00 PM	Lunch
01:00 PM - 02:30 PM	<p>Abstract session 1: Disaster response</p> <p>Kali Ameara * Addressing Malnutrition in Post-Disaster Vanuatu: The Pikinini Pawa Biskit Initiative Jimmy Obed * Navigating Cyclones and Crises: A cross-sectional observation on Mental Health Screening at nursing triage using K-10 post TC Judy & TC Kevin. Sael Fred * Optimizing the Roles of Village Health Workers in Vanuatu: A Case Study Beverlyn Tosiro * Research Study on physical and mental impact of Displacement due to Ambae Manaro Vui Volcano Eruption Sale Tamata Vurobaravu * The Use Of Technology In Clinical Service Delivery During Natural Disasters. An Endoscopy Case Study At Vila Central Hospital, 2023. Maeckely Tamata * Understanding Malnutrition in Tanna after cyclone Judy and Kevin: A Cross Sectional Survey</p>
02:30 PM - 03:00 PM	Afternoon tea and poster session
03:00 PM - 04:30 PM	<p>Abstract session 2: Clinical medicine</p> <p>Margaret Lehi * A Situational Analysis of Surgical Care Capacity in Vanuatu Watson Toroi * Antimicrobial resistance of blood culture isolates from patients attending Goroka Provincial Hospital, Papua New Guinea Obert Sam * Baseline Antimicrobial Use Point Prevalence Survey at Goroka Provincial Hospital in Papua New Guinea: Findings and Implications Gilson Fangaria * Descriptive Analysis of Surgical Site Infections Following Caesarean Sections in a One- Year Period at Vila Central Hospital. Minado Paul * Outcomes of ventilated Guillain Barre Syndrome (GBS) patients at Vila Central Hospital intensive care unit (ICU)-An experience from a tertiary hospital in Vanuatu. Emma Kalterikia * Short term clinical outcome of Peritoneal dialysis patients at Vila Central Hospital: A Retrospective Cohort study.</p>

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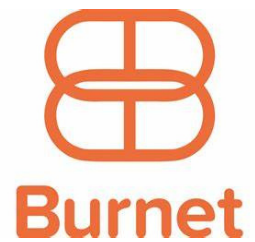
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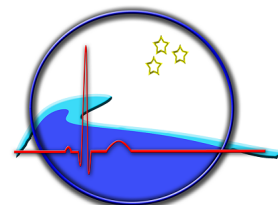
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Friday, 13 October 2023	
Start time	Description
08:00 AM - 08:30 AM	Reflections
08:30 AM - 09:45 AM	<p>Abstract session 3: Tropical medicine and health</p> <p>Leila Bell * Cross sectional analysis of knowledge about tuberculosis among previous tuberculosis cases and contacts in high-incidence areas of Vanuatu, 2023</p> <p>Annie Dori * Strengthening vector-bone disease surveillance and utilisation of data for decision making in Papua New Guinea</p> <p>Kevin Carter * Tuberculosis in Tanna: A Cross Sectional Survey From January To September of 2023</p>
09:45 AM - 10:45 AM	<p>Abstract session 4: One health</p> <p>Daniel Kelly * Challenges and opportunities in promoting the rational use of antimicrobials in animal health sector in Papua New Guinea.</p> <p>Nomin-Dora Tenakanai * Drug sensitive and resistant tuberculosis and zoonotic infections as causes of lymphadenitis, Papua New Guinea</p> <p>Joanne Mariasua * Investigating Leptospirosis on Efate Island in 2023 through a One Health approach</p> <p>Saravine Matan * Targeted sero-surveillance for infectious zoonoses in cattle</p>
10:45 AM - 11:15 AM	Morning tea and poster session
11:15 AM - 12:30 PM	<p>Abstract session 5: Vulnerable populations</p> <p>Rubby Leiwia Dick * Hepatitis B testing coverage at Vila Central Hospital laboratory among pregnant women attending antenatal clinics, Efate, 2018 – 2021</p> <p>Rex Turi * Maternal nutrition and birth outcomes in Efate Vanuatu: A preliminary cross-sectional analysis</p> <p>Allison Coleman * No more Leaks - Innovative ways to manage incontinence during and after a disaster.</p> <p>Chelsea Huggett * Progress and opportunities: menstrual health policy, service delivery and evidence in East Asia Pacific and Vanuatu</p> <p>Tracey Symmons * Disaster Response and Recovery: Rehabilitation has an key role elsewhere, can we do more in Vanuatu ?</p>
12:15 PM - 12:45 PM	Lunch
12:45 PM - 01:30 PM	Consultation about the priority research agenda
01:30 PM - 03:00 PM	Debate: Is a health commission needed in Vanuatu?
03:00 PM - 03:30 PM	Reflections, evaluation, closing remarks and recommendations
03:30 PM - 04:00 PM	Afternoon tea and poster session
06:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Conference Dinner and Awards Night

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