



INFECTION CONTROL AFRICA NETWORK

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Dear All,

On behalf of the Organizing Committee, I would like to solicit applications for **Basic IPC/WASH training course** that will be held in **Malawi- Lilongwe, 26 October- 2 November 2018**.

Organizers

- Infection Control Africa network (ICAN)
- MOH- Malawi- Quality Assurance department

Partners

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Objectives: Due to great importance of infection control and WASH diseases effects on public health burden, this workshop is designed to provide the necessary knowledge on IPC/WASH in healthcare facilities & community and behaviour for both healthcare staff, developers and policy planners to plan and implement appropriate programs to mitigate damage and control disease transmission.

This is an introductory course aimed at those approaching water supply, sanitation, and hygiene promotion (WASH) for the first time. This course focuses specifically on decisions around water supply, storage, and distribution in an emergency environment. In this course you will learn the basics of supplying clean, safe water in different types of healthcare facilities.

It is expected that the participants improve their knowledge and practice regarding Best practice, guidelines on IPC/WASH implementation, Quality improvement and surveillance, diagnosis, and clinical management of IPC/WASH related infections and diseases, that would enhance their abilities to investigate the impact of these disease on public health burden in their countries.

Participants' Profile: Healthcare Workers, Facility Managers and engineers.

Health care workers who are "IPC champions" and directly involved in the operational aspect of IPC-WASH improvement at facilities levels- Engineers, environmental specialist, nursing, doctors, microbiologist, architects. Motivated and passionate applicants will be evaluated based on their CV (experiences) + "Leadership buy-in" confirmation to support together with an after training assignment. 1st Of its kind in Africa- engineering and IPC working together. Commitment will be signed and follow up in workplace. Report and feedback will be expected.

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Taught in English. Limited to 30 participants.

Nominations for attendees from all 5 Africa regions are encouraged. This is a 5-day course. Because of the limitation in the number of participants, please apply early if you are interested in.

Outlines of the Course

1-Expectations for the course:

Aiming to providing basic skills and tools to empower African health professionals in their IPC-WASH improvement efforts.

- Apply good infection prevention and control practices- particular on Environmental cleaning to ensure health care facilities provide safe and effective care and conduct prudent antimicrobial use
- Assess the risk of preventing, detecting and controlling the spread of, infections, including those that are health care associated with a special attention to maternal and newborn health.
- Apply and actively participate in management and organization process crucial to ensure high standards of infection prevention (including cleanliness) are set up and maintained
- Understand WASH in Health Facilities critical issues to consider by IPC professional
- Be able to improve patient, staff and visitor safety and patient care in cost-effective programmes.

Please note that you are required to submit your Updated CV , passport and your motivation letter (in English) when applying for the course by 15 August 2018 to Anna Vorndran: anna@icanetwork.co.za. Proof of Registration fee will secure the seat.

Countries to apply- Zimbabwe, Ghana, Tanzania, Cameroon, DRC, Botswana, Zambia, South Africa , Kenya , Ethiopia, Madagascar and Malawi.

All applications will be given full consideration and reviewed by the Course Committee. Selected candidates will be notified and will receive an invitation letter together with details arrangements **by 20 August 2018**.

The course application fee is **250 Dollar** per participant which includes a set of course materials, , flights to maximum of \$1200 per delegate(sponsored by ICAN) accommodation and all meals during the course; and a clinical visit (sponsored by Malawian MoH) **Visa for own cost. NO PER DIEM.**

Deadline for applications: **August 15, 2018**

Attached you can find the full announcement.

Please circulate this announcement through your contacts.

With the best regards,

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