



## Third Training Workshop and Symposium MURIA Group 26 – 28 June 2017

### Theme: Medicines utilisation research in Africa influencing patient care and policy

**Objective:** The workshop and symposium are intended to further develop and progress medicines utilisation research in Africa building on the two previous successful symposiums. The workshop will again cater for all personnel including those just starting medicine utilisation research and those already undertaking such research. This will be achieved through two workshop streams (parallel sessions) and a 1.5 day symposium for researchers to present their findings.

#### Topics covered in the one day methodology training workshop include:

Introduction Group	Advanced Group (potentially include)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction to Drug Utilization Research (DUR) with emphasis on methodologies including ATC/ DDD</li> <li>• Qualitative DUR</li> <li>• Introductory Statistics</li> <li>• Using patient level data in drug utilisation research</li> <li>• Qualitative research in DU studies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proposal Writing Workshop</li> <li>• Hands on session on advanced statistics for drug utilisation research</li> <li>• Developing and implementing quality indicators</li> <li>• Available data sources and exploring different Pharmacoepidemiology methodologies</li> <li>• Using patient level data in drug utilisation research</li> <li>• Qualitative research in DU studies</li> </ul>

**Topics covered in the 1.5 day symposium:** Include feedback of activities during the past year among African countries. There will also be oral and poster presentations of new research of submitted abstracts. Particular consideration will again be given to abstracts describing current drug utilisation research on anti-infective medicines and non-communicable diseases.

#### Key personnel in their field will help training and lead the discussions. These include:

- Prof. Amos Massele (Botswana)
- Dr Olayinka Ogunleye and Dr Joseph Fadare (Nigeria)
- Dr Margaret Oluka (Kenya)
- Mr. Dan Kibuule and Mr. Francis Kalemeera (Namibia)
- Prof. Ilse Truter and Andy Gray (South Africa)
- Prof. Johanita Burger, Prof. Martie Lubbe, and Mrs Marike Cockeran (South Africa)
- Dr Jaran Eriksen (Sweden)
- Prof Brian Godman (Sweden and UK), Dr Amanj Baker (UK)
- Dr Sekesai Zinyowera (Zimbabwe)

**Official language:** The language for the training workshop and symposium is English with no simultaneous translation.

**Course fees per participant: Namibian dollars N\$2000**, covering all workshop activities, the symposium, all subsistence during the day and a Conference Dinner on the second night. The fees do not cover hotel, travel, airport transfers or evening subsistence costs apart from the Dinner.

The conference hotels include Safari Hotel and Auas City Hotel in Windhoek City. Contact the University of Namibia for details. Transport will be arranged to and from the Conference hotels to the University of Namibia at the start and finish of each day and for the Dinner.

**MURIA-3 will be accredited as a continuous professional development activity by HPCNA.**

#### Please contact

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**The deadline for abstract submission is 5 May 2017.**

**Abstract acceptance :** Letters will be sent out by 19 May 2017

Workshop numbers will be limited to 120 people to facilitate good interaction and hands-on training

