









DAY 1: THURSDAY NOVEMBER 19, 2020

8-8:05 a.m. National Anthem

Chair: **Dr. Jacquiline Bisasor-McKenzie**

Chief Medical Officer

Ministry of Health and Wellness (MOHW)

8:05 -8:10 a.m. Invocation

Ms. Karen Samuels

Administrator, Financial Management Division,

Spiritual Wellness Committee, MOHW

8:10 - 8:20 a.m. Welcome and Opening Remarks

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Greetings Dr. Joy St. John

Executive Director, Caribbean Public Health Agency

(CARPHA)

Dr. Varough Devde

Director, Caribbean Regional Office, Centers for Disease

Control and Prevention (CDC)

Dr. Audrev Morris

Decentralized Regional Advisor, Food and Nutrition and Officer-in-Charge, Pan American Health Organization/ World Health Organization (PAHO/WHO) on behalf of

Dr. Bernadette Theodore-Gandi PAHO/WHO Representative in Jamaica.

8:45 - 9:05 a.m. Feature Address

Dr. the Hon. Christopher Tufton Minister of Health and Wellness

9:05- 9:15 a.m. Break

9:15 - 9:20 a.m. Covid-19 Jingle 2020

9:20 - 9:30 a.m. Break

Scientific Session 1: HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Moderator Dr. Simone Spence

Health Promotion and Protection, MOHW

9:30-9:45 a.m. Dr. Sukanya Prasad (O-01)

Perceived health concerns during COVID 19 crisis

amongst Jamaicans

9:45-10:00 a.m. Ms. Vonetta Nurse (O-02)

The use and understanding of nutrition labels on sugar-sweetened beverages: A study of consumers in

Kingston & Saint Andrew, Jamaica

10:00-10:15 a.m. Discussion

10:15-10:30 a.m. Break/Poster Viewing

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: JamCOVID19 Application

Moderator Dr. Michelle Roofe

Senior Director Health Informatics. MOHW

10:30-11:00 a.m. Mr. Dushyant Savadia, Founder and CEO, Amber Connect







11:00-11:10 a.m. Discussion **11:10-11:15 a.m.** Break

PANEL DISCUSSION: Emerging and Reemerging Infectious Diseases Pertinent to Latin America and the Caribbean

Moderator Professor Celia Christie-Samuels

Professor and Chair of Paediatrics (Infections Disease Epidemiology and Public Health), University

of the West Indies

11:15-12:15 p.m. Panelists:

Dr. Kimberly Brouwer

Professor, Family Medicine and Public Health, University of California, San Diego

Dr. Stephanie Fletcher-Lartey

Consultant, Health Information, Communicable Diseases and Emergency Response, CARPHA

Dr. Wilmore Webley

Associate Professor of Microbiology, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Dr. Karen Webster Kerr

Principal Medical Officer, National Epidemiologist, MOHW

12:15-12:30 p.m. Break

SCIENTIFIC SESSION 2: Mental Health

Moderator Dr. Naydene Williams, Director Health Services Planning and Integration

12:30-12:45 p.m. Dr. Ganesh Shetty (O-03)

Coping with COVID-19 -Helping Our Youth with Tele-Mental Health

12:45-1:00 p.m. Dr. Eric Williams (0-04)

Stress perceived and coping mechanisms of medical students during COVID-19 at The

University of West Indies (Mona): A rapid review

1:00 -1:15 p.m. Discussion

1:15-1:30 p.m. Break

PANEL DISCUSSSION: Striking the Balance in Health and Wellness

Moderator Dr. Maureen Irons-Morgan, Consultant Psychiatrist

1:30-2:30 p.m. Panelists:

Dr. Kai Morgan, President, Jamaica Psychological Association **Dr. Earl Wright**, President, Jamaica Psychiatric Association

Dr. Kevin Goulbourne, Director, Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, Ministry of

Health and Wellness

2:30- 2:45 p.m. Promotional Quiz & Give-Away



DAY 2- FRIDAY NOVEMBER 20, 2020

Chair Mr. Jasper Barnett, Director, Health Systems Improvement, MOHW

8:00-8:05 a.m. Invocation

Mrs. Songa Parchment

Senior Secretary, Planning and Evaluation Branch Spiritual Wellness Committee, MOHW

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: The Data Protection Act

Mr. Jasper Barnett, Director, Health Systems Improvement, MOHW

8:05-8:25 a.m. Ms. Wahkeen Murray, Chief Technical Director, Information Communication

Technology, Ministry of Science, Energy and Technology

8:25-8:35 a.m. Discussion **8:35-8:45 a.m.** Break

SCIENTIFIC SESSION 3: Sickle Cell Disease

Moderator Dr. Nicole Dawkins-Wright, Director, Emergency, Disaster Management and Special

Services, MOHW

8:45-9:00 a.m. Mrs. Patrice Whitehorne-Smith (O-05)

Socio-demographic correlates of depressive and anxiety symptoms among

Jamaicans during the COVID-19 pandemic

9:00-9:15 a.m. Ms. Marissa Stubbs (O-06)

The experiences of caregivers of persons living with dementia in Jamaica

during COVID-19

9:15-9:30 a.m. Discussion **9:30-9:45 a.m.** Break

SCIENTIFIC SESSION 4: Sickle Cell Disease

Moderator Prof. Jennifer Knight Madden, Director, Sickle Cell Unit, UWI

9:45-10:00 a.m. Dr. Zachary Ramsay (O-07)

Exploring Acute, Chronic and Neuropathic Pain Among Jamaicans with Sickle

Cell Disease

10:00-10:15 a.m. Ms.Rachel Bartlett (O-08)

Women at risk: Health-Related Quality of Life, Disease Severity and

Neuropathic Pain in Sickle Cell Disease in Jamaica

10:15-10:30 a.m. Discussion **10:30-10:45 a.m.** Break

SCIENTIFIC SESSION 5: Sickle Cell Disease

Moderator Dr. Tazhmoye Crawford, Director, Monitoring, Evaluation and Research, National

Family Planning Board

10:45-11:00 a.m. Dr. Nicki Chin (0-09)









The relationship between sleep quality and the quality of life of adults with Sickle Cell Disease in

Jamaica

11:00-11:15 a.m. Dr. Zachary Ramsay (O-10)

Cost Barriers to Universal Healthcare: A Cross-Sectional Investigation of Sickle Cell Disease related hospital admissions in Jamaica

11:15-11:30 a.m. Discussion **11:30-11:35 a.m.** Break

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: The International Year

of the Nurse and Midwife

Moderator

Dr. Tazhmoye Crawford, Director, Monitoring,
Evaluation and Research, National Family Planning
Board

11:35-11:45 a.m. Mrs. Patricia Ingram-Martin Chief Nursing Officer, MOHW

11:45-11:55 a.m. Discussion **11:55 am-12:00 noon** Break

SCIENTIFIC SESSION 6: Health and Wellness and

Laboratory Studies

Moderator Dr. Michelle Hamilton

Director, National Laboratory Services.

12:00-12:15 p.m. Dr. Angela Rankine Mullings (O-11)

Early detection of the spleen in homozygous Sickle Cell Disease and the prediction of susceptibility of patients to overwhelming

infection: Evidence from a retrospective cohort study

12:15-12:30 p.m. Mr. Kevhvan Graham (O-12)

Analysis of Actinobacteria Isolates for Evidence of the Production of Antimicrobial Compounds

12:30-12:45 p.m. Discussion

12:45-1:00 p.m. Break

SCIENTIFIC SESSION 7: Health and Wellness

and Laboratory Studies

Moderator Mr. Howard Lynch

Senior Director, Policy Planning and Development,

MOHW

1:15-1:30 p.m. Ms. Tiffany Butterfield (O-13)

Assessment of Commercial SARS-CoV-2 Antibody

Assays, Jamaica

1:30-1:45 p.m. Dr. Anya Cushnie (O-14)

HIV program outcomes for Jamaica before and after "Treat All": A population-based study using the National Treatment Services database

1:45-2:00 p.m. Discussion **2:00-2:15 p.m.** Break

2:15-2:20 p.m. Completion of NHRC 2020 Evaluation Form

Research Promotional Quiz

2:20-2:30 p.m. Wrap-up and Vote of Thanks: Dr. Andriene Grant

End of the 11Th Annual National Research Conference 2020











