

# **Kenya Health Sector Convention 2022**

**Theme:** A Decade of Devolved Health Service Delivery: Reflections for Acceleration of UHC.

# <u>Call for submission of Best Practice and Innovation Abstracts – Deadline</u> extension

The Ministry of Health and Council of Governors have extended by one week the deadline for submission of best practice and innovation abstracts from health stakeholders within the public and private sector. The extension is as a result of increasing interest and requests from interested persons and institutions for additional time, taking into account the just concluded long holiday.

Interested parties are encouraged to make submissions focusing on best practice and innovations aimed at improving health outcomes and patient experiences in the areas of service delivery, quality assurance and standards, health information research, monitoring and evaluation, human resources for health, health financing, leadership and governance, legislation, as well as health products, infrastructure and supply chain.

The best practices and/or innovations will be shared with other health stakeholders for purposes of mutual learning and replication and must be accompanied by evidence. Additionally, those with innovative submissions will be awarded during the upcoming Kenya Health Sector Annual Convention.

The selection criteria for best practices and innovation will take into consideration the Effectiveness, Efficiency, Relevance, Leadership, Sustainability, Replicability, in other environments, Ethical Soundness, Partnerships, Community involvement and Innovativeness of the submissions. The innovation must be usable and desirable. Other qualities considered in the selection process include proposals that;

- a) Accomplish definite results
- b) Contribute to achieving specific objectives
- c) Create results efficiently
- d) Are applicable in other contexts

## Eligibility criteria

All health practitioners, investigators and management teams in hospitals/health facilities, communities, academia, ambulatory care institutions, public health emergencies institutions and health management teams residing in Kenya are invited to electronically submit comprehensively documented papers of best practices and innovations. The submissions will be considered for Awards and presentation at the Kenya Health sector convention next month.

#### **General Guidelines**

i. A standard template is attached for eligible persons or institutions to share successful programs/orientation areas that have worked in the healthcare system within individual contexts. (Annexure 1)

- ii. The Best Practice and/or Innovation document should include sufficient details about the rationale, process, and the impact of the program, system, or project implemented.
- iii. All accepted Best practices and innovations will be published in the 'Health Sector Report' and others considered for renowned health journals.
- iv. Submissions should include any pictures, graphs, videos, figures and data tables that support the summary. Each of these must be clearly labelled and described.
- v. *Primary Author/Documenter of Best practice*: The person submitting the document online is responsible for providing the required information to other authors, including preparation for presentation; exhibitions, etc.
- vi. *Prior Publication or Presentation:* Previously presented or published best practices (encore presentations) may be submitted for presentation at the annual convention, but they will NOT be published in the report or in journals. Encore presentations will not be considered for any award.
- vii. *Publication Rights:* The process of publication shall be followed and communicated to the documenter.
- viii. *Notifications and Contact Information Email Notifications:* All correspondences, including confirmations, reminders, and accept/reject notifications will be emailed to the primary authors/documenters only. It is the primary author's responsibility to notify the co-authors of the status of the submission. We highly recommend that this email be a working address that is not spam-protected.

# **Best Practice/Innovations Awards**

- Best practices and innovations will be selected based on achievement of excellence in each of the investment areas as indicated in the scoring tool.
- Winners of the Best Practice/Innovation Award will be chosen from accepted entries. The program, system, or project should be a collaborative effort in any type of practice setting, including Hospital/health facility, community, academia, institution, or ambulatory care, public health emergencies and health management.

#### **Criteria for Review**

The best practices and innovations will be reviewed by the committee based on effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, sustainability, leadership, replicability, ethical issues, partnerships, community involvement and innovativeness.

## Contact details and submission deadline

Inquiries and submissions of the best practices and innovation abstracts can be sent to the Health Sector Convention secretariat through email address; <a href="mailto:kenyahealthsector@gmail.com">kenyahealthsector@gmail.com</a>

No new submissions or edits will be accepted after the deadline and incomplete submissions will be deleted from the system post the deadline.

Deadline for submission extended to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2022 at 11.59pm.

# ANNEXURE 1: TOOL FOR DOCUMENTING BEST PRACTICES

1. Title of Best Practice/Innovation:	
2. Institution/County of Operation:	
3. Description	[Expected Outputs] (BEFORE: what were the health challenges?)
	[Processes] (What was done? how was it started, prepared, implemented?)
	[Outputs] (AFTER: what was achieved? Describe tangible changes.)
	[Key Inputs] (Human, material, and financial inputs)
	[Conditions] (What were the prerequisite? What was necessary to implement?)
4. Effectiveness	[Evidence/Reasons]
5. <b>Efficiency</b>	[Evidence/Reasons]
6. Relevance	[Evidence/Reason]
7. Sustainability	[Evidence/Reason]
8. Replicability	[Evidence/Reasons]
9. Others (if applicable, tick and explain)	<ul> <li>□ Partnership</li> <li>□ Leadership</li> <li>□ Community Involvement</li> <li>□ Ethical Soundness:</li> <li>□ Innovativeness</li> </ul>