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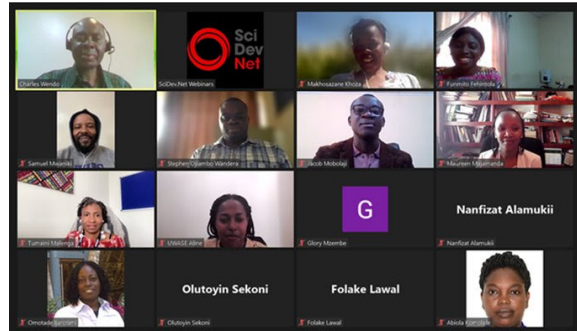


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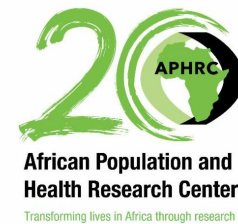
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World Bank’s Self-Paced eLearning on Results-Based Financing in Health

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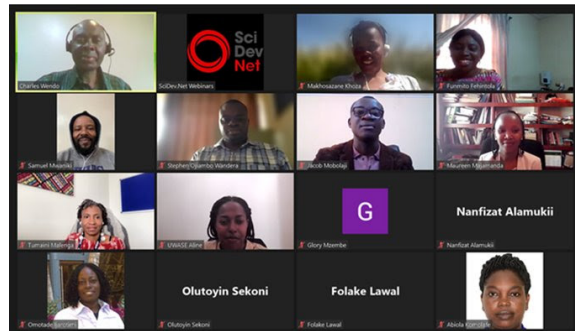


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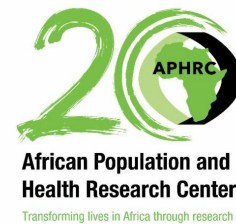
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PROGRAM NEWS

Issue 14 of the CARTA Newsletter is out!

Top features:

- Working Towards Sustainability of CARTA: the iCARTA Project
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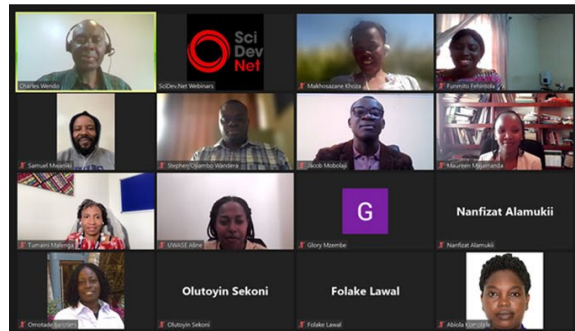


On August 26, the CARTA Secretariat led by Dr. Evelyn Gitau, Director of Research and Related Capacity Strengthening at APHRC hosted Claudia Frittelli, Program Officer at the Carnegie Corporation in charge of Higher Education and Research in Africa (International Program).

Among others, the team discussed CARTA's activities and implementation, the higher education and research landscape in Africa as well as further areas of collaboration. Dr. Evelyn also gave an overview of APHRC, including the center's new Strategic Plan, 2022 - 2026.

Media Skills Training for CARTA Fellows

CARTA partnered with [Script Training](#) to build the skills and confidence of CARTA fellows to communicate research findings to policymakers and the public through the media. The training used a hybrid model consisting of self-directed online course modules and live interactive webinars for peer discussion and questions. The webinar sessions were held on August 15 - 19 (group 1), and August 22-26 (group 2).



Script training is funded by Robert Bosch Stiftung and implemented by SciDev.Net.

Training of Trainers for the Joint Advanced Seminars (JASes)



CARTA kicked off a week-long Training of Trainers (ToT) on August 29 to strengthen the capacities of institutional-based facilitators to implement quality PhD training programs at their institutions.

A total of 24 trainees are participating in the workshop comprising senior academics who have previously facilitated postgraduate training and research capacity strengthening activities; CARTA graduates and those who have been involved in CARTA activities; and individuals who occupy positions that will enable JASes in their institutions. After the training, the participants

will be expected to adopt some elements of the CARTA approach to PhD training at their respective institutions. The ToT, hosted by the University of Rwanda, ends on September 2.

FELLOWS NEWS

Promotions



[Boladale Mapayi](#) (Cohort Four Graduate, Obafemi Awolowo University) was appointed to head the Department of Mental Health at Obafemi Awolowo University, effective August 1, 2022.

Conferences, Presentations and Features



[Godwin Anywar](#) (Cohort Six Graduate, Makerere University) is currently at the university of Leipzig in Germany attending a one-month researcher exchange visit. At the university, he is being hosted by the International Small Enterprise Promotion and Training ([SEPT](#)) Competence Center, and as part of his stay, he is looking to establish contacts with potential partners in Leipzig (both in academia and industry) to write joint projects.

Within the month, Godwin has also completed several on-line courses offered by [Elsevier](#) and received certificates for courses on - writing a review article (an editor's guide); systematic reviews; certified peer reviewer and write-book-certificate.

[Boladale Mapayi](#) (Cohort 4 Graduate, Obafemi Awolowo University) was a panelist in a face-to-face meeting organized by the Medical Women's Association of Nigeria, Osun State Chapter on August 25. She discussed the current realities and future perspective of gender-based violence. Boladale also initiated and co-convened a 4-week research capacity building workshop particularly targeting female researchers to work on rejected manuscripts for publication in Q1 and Q2 journals as part of the Girls Research Club. [Learn more](#) about the club.





[Macellina Ijadunola](#) (Cohort 6 Graduate, Obafemi Awolowo University) delivered an oral presentation on the topic '*Sexual and Reproductive Health Challenges during the COVID-19 Lockdown: Experiences of Female Undergraduates in a South-West Nigerian University*' at the Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) Conference, at Omni Hotel, in Los Angeles, California, USA on August 4, 2022.

[Temitope Ilori](#) (Cohort 9 Fellow, University of Ibadan) presented at the 5th Annual Symposium of the African Forum for Research and Education in Health (AFREHEALTH) that took place from August 2 - 4, in Harare, Zimbabwe. The theme of the conference was '*COVID-19 Pandemic and Post Pandemic issues for Health Professions Education, Research and Service Delivery*.' Her topic was on the '*Predictors of post-COVID syndrome among patients with COVID-19 in Ibadan, Nigeria*.'



[Charles Ssemugabo](#) (Cohort 9 Fellow, Makerere University) presented an abstract at the International Society of Environmental Epidemiology (ISEE) Africa Chapter Conference in a fully virtual platform. His abstract title was '*Pesticide Residues in Fruits and Vegetables: Exposure and Health Risks among Consumers from Farm to Fork in Kampala Metropolitan Area in Uganda*.'



[Nicole De Wet](#) (Cohort One Graduate, University of the Witwatersrand) was featured in an article by the Daily Maverick where she shares her thoughts on approaches to innovation. [Read here](#)

Community and Public Engagement

[Abiket Alamukii](#)

(Cohort 9 Fellow, University of Ibadan)

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(Cohort 4 Graduate, Obafemi Awolowo University)



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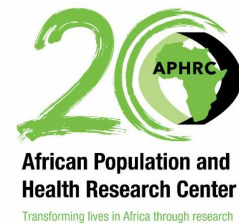
Addressing the Power Dynamics in Social Relations Between Educators and Learners: A Twitter Space Conversation

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PARTNER NEWS

APHRC Selected to Lead Large Population-Based Research Initiative in Africa

The African Population and Health Research Center (APHRC) has been selected by Wellcome to lead a population-based research initiative in Africa. Provisionally named the 'African Population Cohort Consortium' (APCC), the initial 18-month program will inform Africa's health and well-being by tapping into diverse and robust data and creating a global impact. [Read more](#)



Makerere University Re-Appoints VC, Prof Barnabas



We congratulate Prof. Barnabas Nawangwe on his re-appointed as the Vice Chancellor (VC) of Makerere University for a second 5-year-term. Prof Barnabas, a Registered Architect and Professor of Architecture, assumed the VC role at Makerere for the first term in 2017.

He is expected to lead Makerere until at least 2027.

PUBLICATIONS

Factors Associated With Utilization of Ecological Sanitation Technology in Burera District, Rwanda: A Mixed Methods Research

The utilization of “on-site excreta decomposition technology” known as “Ecological sanitation (Ecosan)” has a rational use of human excreta. It is a resource-oriented sanitation mostly feasible in areas with rocky soil and prone to agriculture. This technology was implemented in Rwanda for more than a decade. However, little is known about Ecosan utilization in the process of scale-up in the community. This study by [Celestin Banamawa](#) was carried out

to determine enablers and barriers associated with the utilization of Ecosan in Burera district, Rwanda.

[Read more](#)

Nigerians in China: Health Maintenance, Circulation and Everyday Transnationalism in Guangdong Province

The challenges facing Africans in Chinese cities have been examined from different perspectives, including healthcare-related challenges and barriers. However, how they navigate health problems through circulation and transnational practices has received scant attention. This article by [Kudus Adebayo](#) explores the importance of circulation and everyday transnationalism in health maintenance using qualitative data from 37 Nigerians in Guangdong Province, China. The study revealed that transnational practices involving the flows of people, medicinal commodities and information were crucial in managing their health issues with circulating migrants, family members and healthcare professionals at home playing important roles.

[Read more](#)

Patient Experiences of Sexual Dysfunction After Transition to Dolutegravir-Based HIV Treatment in Mid-Western Uganda: A Qualitative Study

In 2019, the World Health Organization (WHO) recommended dolutegravir (DTG)-based antiretroviral therapy (ART) as the preferred first- and second- line regimen in HIV treatment worldwide. This WHO guidance was based on clinical trials which demonstrated that DTG-based ART had superior viral load suppression compared to other regimens such as those containing efavirenz. Literature on DTG-based HIV treatment has focused on assessing therapeutic efficacy particularly with regard to viral load suppression. However, little empirical attention has been devoted to understanding the effects of DTG on quality of life, in particular sexual health and functioning in PLHIV. This study by [Henry Zakumumpa](#) focuses on understanding patient experiences of sexual dysfunction, after transition to DTG-based regimens in Rwenzori region in Mid-Western Uganda.

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Prevalence and Pattern of Intimate Partner Violence During COVID-19 Pandemic Among Nigerian Adults

The ongoing pandemic caused by the COVID-19 has placed unprecedented stress not only on the health and livelihood of individuals but also on the health care systems and economies of most countries. Measures to curtail its spread, which included lockdowns and social distancing, even though highly essential in limiting the spread of the virus, may have had unintended negative consequences. An area of immense concern during pandemics is the potential increased risk of social adversities such as domestic violence, particularly intimate partner violence. This study by [Boladale Mapayi](#) et al sought to determine the prevalence, pattern, and associated sociodemographic, psychosocial, and COVID-19-related factors associated with intimate partner violence (IPV) during the COVID-19 pandemic among Nigerian adults.

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OPPORTUNITIES

Training Early Career Scientists to Respond to Africa's Challenges in Global Health

The African Academy of Sciences (AAS), in partnership with the U.S. National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF), invite applications for the 3rd cohort of the African Postdoctoral Training Initiative (APTI) fellowships. APTI Fellows are trained and supported to become scientific leaders who can advocate for increased research and innovation projects in Africa. This is done through 4-year postdoctoral fellowships where APTI Fellows are placed in various laboratories of the NIH Institutes or Center for 2 years before returning to their home institutions in Africa for another 2 years of research. APTI fellowships are open to applications from fields of health research, with a focus on innovation aimed at the discovery and translation of transformative solutions to global health problems that are priorities for their home institutions and countries. Additionally, proposals should align with the focus areas of BMGF, the NIH, and the AAS. [More details](#)

Deadline: September 30, 2022 at 17:00 East African Time (GMT +3)

Call for Submissions: Workshop on Ageing and Health of Older Persons in Sub-Saharan Africa

This workshop is predominantly aimed at PhD students, postdoctoral researchers and researchers at early career stages from Sub-Saharan Africa (SSA) countries from a broad range of disciplines (e. g. demography, public health, economics and sociology) who work on ageing in SSA. The workshop aims to increase the scientific and political attention paid to the challenges associated with changes in the age composition of SSA societies and to foster comparative and multi-disciplinary research across SSA countries. Researchers will be given the opportunity to share state-of-the-art research on ageing, to discuss new and existing data sources for comparative studies, and to reflect on the state of the field of SSA-ageing-research with leading scientists and policy makers. [More details](#)

Deadline: September 28, 2022

Call for Papers: Population Association of America (PAA) 2023

Submission is now open for the PAA 2023 Annual Meeting and look forward to a full and rigorous scientific conference. The PAA annual meeting is the premier conference of demographers and social and health scientists from the United States and abroad. Here demographers at all career stages are afforded the opportunity to present their research in oral and poster sessions, hear others' findings, and network with their peers. PAA currently has no plans for a hybrid conference and sessions will be in-person in New Orleans, Louisiana (United States). [More details](#)

Deadline: October 2, 2022

Postdoctoral Fellowship from Women for Africa Foundation

Women for Africa Foundation has launched the 8th call for fellowships of the program Science by Women, aimed at selecting 22 senior African women scientists to be integrated in 21 top research Spanish centers in the following areas: health and biomedicine, agriculture and food security, water, energy and climatic change. So far more than 100 fellows have enjoyed six-month research stays which have contributed to enhance their leadership in scientific research and technology transfer. The program's ultimate goal is to enable African women researchers

to play a leading role in the transition of Africa to a knowledge-based and innovation-led economy. [More details](#)

Deadline for proposals submission September 30, 2022

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RESOURCES

Unicef's Training on Health Economics and Financing

The primary goal of the Health Economics and Financing course, developed by UNICEF in joint partnership with the London School of Tropical Medicine, is to provide participants with the knowledge, skills, and basic economic arguments that are central to discussions about health policy options and choices in developing countries. More specifically, this course aims to share knowledge and policy experience on how health systems can improve equity in the financing and delivery of health care services by exposing the participants to key theoretical and empirical knowledge in the field of health financing and equity. [Learn more](#)

Unicef's Training on Health Systems Strengthening

In this course, you'll explore the complexity of health systems and apply systems thinking to health system strengthening (HSS). You'll critique major health system frameworks, analyze health system inequities, and interrogate the evidence for HSS approaches. You'll be equipped with the knowledge and skills to develop HSS interventions across areas such as health policy, health financing, human resources, supply chain management, quality of care and private sector engagement. This course was developed by the Nossal Institute and UNICEF to equip UNICEF staff to work in HSS; now it's open to the public. [Learn more](#)

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