

LMHI 2018: Theme and Topics

Contributing to Sustainable Healthcare

On 25 September 2015, member countries of the United Nations adopted a set of goals aimed at ending poverty, protecting the planet, and ensuring prosperity for all as part of a new sustainable development agenda (<http://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/>). Each of these goals has specific targets to be achieved over the next 15 years: Goal 3 is to “Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages”.

Towards achieving this goal, homeopathy professionals should identify a pathway, and the elements thereof, by which our profession can contribute to the achievement of this goal. These elements include an evaluation of the relevant health care sectors and a vision for the viable use of homeopathy to contribute toward the international achievement of Goal 3 of the SDGs.

The hosts of LMHI 2018 therefore invite the submission of abstracts related to any of the range of topics identified below that speak to the theme “CONTRIBUTING TO SUSTAINABLE HEALTHCARE”. In addition, we also welcome other submissions that are suitably motivated to relate directly to the overall theme.

Key questions to be answered as part of the abstract submission would include an identification of:

- How homeopaths / homeopathy would contribute to the achievement of the goal; and/or
- Contribute to any of the objectives associated with this goal.

TOPIC 1: Maternal and Infant Mortality

- Contribution to maternal health, and the reduction of the global maternal mortality ratio
- Contribution to neonatal and paediatric health, and the reduction of neonatal and under-5 mortality

TOPIC 2: Communicable Diseases

- Contribution to ending the epidemics of AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria or neglected tropical diseases

- Contribution to combatting hepatitis, water-borne diseases and other communicable diseases

TOPIC 3: Non-Communicable Diseases and Environmental Impact

- Contribution to reduction of premature mortality from non-communicable diseases through:
 - prevention and treatment; and
 - promotion of mental health and well-being
- Contribution to the prevention and treatment of substance abuse, including narcotic drug abuse and harmful use of alcohol
- Contribution to reducing the number of deaths and illnesses from hazardous chemicals and air, water and soil pollution and contamination

TOPIC 4: Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare

- Identification of the role in the provision of sexual and reproductive healthcare services
- Contribution to sexual and reproductive well-being through various treatment options

TOPIC 5: Healthcare Systems

- Identification of the role to be played in ensuring universal access to sexual and reproductive health-care services
- Contribution and place within universal health coverage and sustainable healthcare
- Contribution to access to safe, effective, quality and affordable medicines
- Attitudes to solutions addressing the patient's healthcare needs
- Systems of delivery of homeopathy (private and public)
- Identification of the role that homoeopathy and homoeopathic practitioners play within an integrative healthcare setting

TOPIC 6: Healthcare Professions

- Application of homoeopathy in related healthcare professions, or in non-human healthcare contexts
- Contribution of homoeopathy to improving the operation and services of related health care professions

TOPIC 7: Fundamental Research and Proving

- Experimental exploration of homoeopathy in respect to 'mode of action'
- Demonstration of homeopathic effects in non-clinical biological and/or laboratory contexts
- Scientific investigation of Proving outcomes, methodology and analysis