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7th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE *on* **HEALTH ISSUES** *in* **ARAB COMMUNITIES**

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Welcome

The Arab Community Center for Economic & Social Services (ACCESS), in collaboration with the Ministry of Health of the Sultanate of Oman, is pleased to present the 7th International Conference on Health Issues in Arab Communities. This scientific forum continues a fine tradition that was established in 1998 and reaffirms our unwavering commitment to prevent disease, reduce health disparities and promote wellness in the community at large. ACCESS has strategically designed this conference to promote global health research on Arab Communities in order to better inform programming and policy decisions both locally and globally. Our aim is to enhance international partnerships aimed to improve health outcomes in the Middle East North Africa (MENA) region.

Arabs share a cultural and linguistic heritage, as well as common risk factors and disease patterns that are tied to their Arab ancestry. The International Conference on Health Issues in Arab Communities provides an international perspective and offers medical professionals as well as public and mental health experts the opportunity to connect with their counterparts in the Arab region to share medical knowledge on critical health matters within their communities. This academic forum will allow participants to discuss research findings, health programs, activities, and develop collaborative initiatives across national borders.

The mission of the Ministry of Health of the Sultanate of Oman is to enhance the health and well being of the people of Oman by ensuring the availability of comprehensive and integrated health services that ensure promotional, preventative, curative and rehabilitative interventions throughout the Sultanate. Oman one of the countries with the fastest growth in the Human Development Index (HDI) is ranked first among 191 WHO member states for its overall performance on health (WHO, 2006). The Ministry of Health of Oman is currently developing Healthy vision 2050 as a model for strategic health planning. In order to accomplish and maintain their health goals, the MOH collaborates with other social and economic sectors to protect and promote the health of the people and help them achieve a better quality of life.

Oman's history tells stories of heroism, courage, wisdom, patriotism, love and a nationalistic devotion to homeland. This brings us closer to understanding the richness of the Omani cultural experience, which has



contributed to the building of modern Oman, a nation that strives to maintain the integrity of its culture in almost all aspects of development. Oman's people strive to maintain the integrity of their culture in virtually all aspects of their development. Oman's strategic location has played a major role in many campaigns and conflicts in this region. Oman overlooks the Arabian Sea, the Sea of Oman and the Arabian Gulf. It also controls the Strait of Hormuz, which is one of the most important waterways in the region, linking the Sea of Oman with the Arabian Gulf. The Strait of Hormuz is a gateway for all ships traveling from the Indian Ocean and Arabian Sea.

TARGET AUDIENCE

This conference addresses topics of interest to a diverse audience of:

- Physicians
- Nurses
- Public health professionals
- Epidemiologists
- Mental health professionals
- Health administrators and policy makers
- Research and health analysts
- Environmental experts
- Students
- Community advocates and representatives
- Other health care interest groups
- Health care systems

OBJECTIVES

TO ENHANCE the understanding of cultural and social factors that influence relevant health behaviors and physical and mental health conditions in Arab populations

TO SHARE knowledge about the social and environmental determinants of disease and to leverage resources to address these determinants for the purpose of improving health in Arab populations

TO IDENTIFY barriers and solutions to effective health promotion; to prevent disease in Arab and other immigrant communities

TO ESTABLISH links between scientists and stakeholders in the Arab World and their counterparts in countries with Arab immigrants

TO CREATE collaborative initiatives aimed at improving the management of mental health and chronic disease conditions in Arab patient populations around the world

CONFERENCE THEMES

CAPACITY BUILDING: How can we raise awareness and support for research, literacy, higher education and innovation in health and science, and build lasting relationships between experts in the global Arab community?

SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH: What are the primary cultural, social and biological determinants of health inequities in Arab populations, and how can we develop and share culturally sensitive tools to reduce these health inequities?

INFECTIOUS DISEASES: What are the strategies to improve efforts in prevention, surveillance, monitoring and management of communicable diseases?

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH, TRAUMA AND ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS: What is the particular role of trauma in Arab health, especially trauma related to motor vehicle crashes, construction site accidents, falls, and environmental / occupational health-related hazards? How can we share information about prevention and technological advances with the community, health care providers and policy makers?

MENTAL HEALTH AND CHRONIC DISEASE: What are the major mental health and chronic disease challenges in Arab communities and around the world?

ETHICS AND PALLIATIVE CARE: How do we develop effective palliative care models that are sensitive to the cultural contexts and ethical concerns of the Arab patient population, and how do we raise and manage the health care resources necessary to implement these palliative care models?

ORGAN TRANSPLANT: What are the challenges encountered to develop multi-organ transplant programs in MENA region? How can we improve the awareness about cadaveric donation? How can we implement the concept of being brain dead and subsequent organ utilization for donation?

AMA/ACCME 2014 ACCREDITATION STATEMENTS

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the essential areas and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint sponsorship of the Wayne State University School of Medicine and ACCESS' Community Health and Research Center. The Wayne State University School of Medicine is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The Wayne State University School of Medicine designates this live activity for a maximum of 19.00 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Continuing Education (CE) credits are also available for nurses under the Regulation 338.10602 Acceptable Continuing Education Rule 2 (a) in Michigan.

A breakdown of the CE credits is as follows:

- 4.75 credits per day

Note: The CME credits are applicable for participants from Oman and MENA region.

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Scientific Grid

Time	Day	MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2015				TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2015				
8:20 AM	Plenary Session	Opening Remarks and Introduction of Plenary Session Speaker								
8:30 AM		I. Public Health Challenges				II. Healthcare Infrastructure				
9:25 AM		TRANSITION TIME								
9:30 AM	Session Number	1A	1B	1C	3A	3B	3C			
	Topic	Public Health	Eye Health and Vision Research	Tobacco and Occupational Health	Medical Education	Trauma	Ethics			
10:30 AM	Break									
10:45 AM	Topic									
11:45 AM		Lunch				Lunch				
1:15 PM	Session Number	2A	2B	2C	4A	4B	4C-1	4C-2	4D-1	4D-2
	Topic	SEMINAR: Infectious Diseases	Mental Health	Cancer	Workshop: Transcontinental Health Programs	Workshop: Capacity Building in Oncology	Oral Presentations: Abstracts Health Research/Education	Oral Presentations: Abstracts Public Health	Poster Symposium: Metabolic Diseases	Poster Symposium: Occupational Health
2:15 PM	Topic									

Time	Day	WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2015						THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2015					
8:20 AM	Plenary Session	Opening Remarks and Introduction of Plenary Session Speaker											
8:30 AM		III. Healthography: The connection between Health and Place						IV. Collaborative Efforts for Infectious Disease Control					
9:25 AM	TRANSITION TIME												
9:30 AM	Session Number	5A	5B		5C		7A	7B and 7C		7D			
	Topic	Metabolic and Cardiovascular Diseases	Social Epidemiology		Women's Health		Arab and Chaldean Health in Michigan	7B- Organ Donation and Transplantation		Obesity			
10:30 AM	Break							Break					
10:45 AM	Topic							7C- Capacity Building for Health Professionals					
11:45 AM	Lunch						Lunch						
							Session 8: Executive Roundtable						
1:15 PM	Session Number	6A	6B	6C - 1	6C - 2	6D-1	6D-2	9A	9B-1	9B-2	9C-1	9C-2	9C-3
	Topic	Workshop: Global Health	Workshop: Community Health	Oral Presentations: Abstracts Adolescent Medicine	Oral Presentations: Abstracts Mental Health	Poster Symposium: Cancer/Ethics	Poster Symposium: Public Health	General Poster Session	Oral Presentations: Abstracts Social Determinants of Health	Oral Presentations: Abstracts Breast Cancer	Poster Symposium: Mental health	Poster Symposium: Infectious Diseases	Poster Symposium: Woman and Child
2:15 PM	Topic												

Sessions & Speakers

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SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 2015 • 7:00 PM

OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY

THIS EXQUISITE RECEPTION will be under the auspices a member from the Royal family, the Health Minister, as well as ACCESS. This will be a formal dinner where participants will have an opportunity to meet with conference speakers and enjoy the Royal Oman Symphony Orchestra playing. There will be dinner at the end of the show at Al Bustan Palace Hotel. This event is hosted by invitation for guests, speakers and organizing committee. Participants are welcome to join this event by registration through the website.

MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2015

PLENARY SESSION I

8:30 AM	Dr. Alaa Alwan Regional Director World Health Organization/EMRO Geneva, Switzerland	Community Health: Challenges for the Arab World
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SESSION 1A: CAPACITY BUILDING: Public Health Collaborative Programs

9:30 AM	Dr. Iman Nuwayhid (M) American University of Beirut Beirut, Lebanon	Building Public Health Workforce and Engaging Networks to Respond to Changing Priorities
10:00 AM	Dr. Joumana Kalot American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon	Designing a Public Health Workforce Development Program in a Complex Context: Challenges and Potential Solutions
10:30 AM	BREAK	
10:45 AM	Dr. Mariam Bhacker London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine London, UK	Developing an Online Information Platform for Arab Public Health

11:05 AM	Dr. Ahmed Al Mandhari (M) Sultan Qaboos University Muscat, Oman	Reasons for Consultation Among Patients Attending Primary Healthcare Centers in Oman
11:25 AM	Dr. Michel Daher Saint George Hospital University Medical Center Beirut, Lebanon	Cooperation in Cancer Control in Middle Eastern Countries

SESSION 1B: GLOBAL HEALTH: Eye Health and Vision Research in Arab Communities

9:30 AM	Dr. John Prakash (M) National Institutes of Health Bethesda, MD	Thematic Talk: Coming of the Old and Modern World to Meet the Challenges of Eye Diseases
9:50 AM	Dr. Deepak Edward King Fahd Medical Center Riyadh, Saudi Arabia	Translational Research: Organ and country specific topics 1
10:10 AM	Dr. Jordi Mones Barcelona, Spain	Translational Research: Organ and country specific topics 3
10:30 AM	BREAK	
10:45 AM	Dr. S. Natarajan Mumbai, India	Translational Research: Organ and country specific topics 3
11:05 AM	Dr. Mansur Rabiou National Eye Centre Kaduna, Nigeria	Prevention of Blindness Union for MENA countries
11:25 AM	Dr. Abdullah Al-Mujaini (M) Sultan Qaboos University Hospital Muscat, Oman	Updates on Ocular Trauma

SESSION 1C: Tobacco and Environmental Medicine

9:30 AM	Dr. Jawad Allawati (M) Ministry of Health Oman	Trends in the risk for cardiovascular disease in adults with diabetes in Oman
9:50 AM	Dr. Kamal M. Eldeirawi University of Illinois at Chicago Chicago, IL	Epidemiology of Asthma and Respiratory Symptoms in Arab populations
10:10 AM	Dr. Bengt Arnetz (M) Wayne State University Detroit, MI	Impact of Air Pollution on Asthma in Arab Americans
10:30 AM	BREAK	

10:45 AM	Dr. Nihaya Al-sheyab Jordan University of Science and Technology Irbid, Jordan	Prevalence, Patterns and Correlates of Cigarette Smoking in Male Adolescents
11:05 AM	Dr. Stalo Karageorgi Dasman Diabetes Institute Kuwait	Waterpipe smoking and risk of diabetes mellitus
11:25 AM	Dr. Gulnoza Usmanova Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation Seattle, WA	Monitoring the Implementation of WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control Using Secondary Data in WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region (EMR) Countries

SESSION 2A: Infectious Diseases

1:15 PM	Dr. Rana Hajjeh (M) Center for Disease Control and Prevention Atlanta, GA	Thematic Talk: Introductory Remarks
1:25 PM	Professor Tariq Madani King Abdulaziz University Jeddah, Saudi Arabia	MERS Control and Management
1:50 PM	Dr. Maha Talaat United States Naval Medical Research Unit Cairo, Egypt	Status of Infection Control in Healthcare Settings in the Arab Countries
2:15 PM	Dr. Seif Al Abri (M) Ministry of Health Oman	Infective Endocarditis in Oman and the Middle East: Changing Epidemiology
2:35 PM	Dr. Monzer Hamze Lebanese University Tripoli, Lebanon.	Characterisation of Genes Responsible for Carbapenemase Resistance in North Lebanon.
2:55 PM	Dr. Nada Melhem American University of Beirut Beirut, Lebanon	Hepatitis A Virus in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) Region: A New Challenge

SESSION 2B: Mental Health

1:15 PM	Dr. Jesse Ghannam (M) UCSF School of Medicine San Francisco, CA	Thematic Talk
01:35 PM	Dr. Elie Karam Balmand University, Faculty of Medicine Beirut, Lebanon	The Syrian Refugees In Lebanon (SYRIL) : Data From the Field

1:55 PM	Dr. Nasser Al Sibani (M) Ministry Of Health Muscat, Oman	Cultural variations as Pillars for Culturally Sensitive Interventions for Arab refugees: Reflection from Oman
2:15 PM	Dr. Abdel Hamid Afana McGill University Montreal, Canada	Problems in Applying Trauma and PTSD in the Middle East: The Situation in Gaza
2:35 PM	Dr. Bahar Hashemi El Camino Hospital Program Los Gatos, CA	Mental Health Updates
2:55 PM	Dr. Samir Quota Gaza, Palestine	Mental Health Trauma

SESSION 2C: Cancer

1:15 PM	Dr. Otis Brawley (M) American Cancer Society Atlanta, GA	Thematic Talk
1:35 PM	Dr. Michel Daher Saint George Hospital University Medical Center Beirut, Lebanon	Disparities and Inequalities in Cancer Care in ME Countries
1:55 PM	Dr. Francesca Gany (M) Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center New York, NY	Addressing Barriers to Optimal Cancer Care Among Underserved Arab Americans
2:15 PM	Dr. Barri Blauvelt University of Massachusetts Amherst, MA	Ethnicity of Cancer: Implications for Policy in Non-Western Countries
2:35 PM	Dr. Mohammed El-Shinawi Ain Shams University Hospital Cairo, Egypt	Assessing Socioeconomic Determinants of Breast Cancer Diagnosis and Treatment Completion
2:55 PM	Dr. Layth Mula-Hussain Zhianawa Cancer Center Kurdistan, Iraq	Cancer in a War-Torn Arab Community - Iraq: Description of its Trends

TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2015

Plenary Session II

8:30 AM	Dr. Enis Baris Practice Manager Health Nutrition and Population World Bank Washington, DC	Improving Health Care Infrastructure in Developing Nations
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SESSION 3A: MEDICAL EDUCATION

9:30 AM	Dr. Azmi Mahafzah (M) University of Jordan Amman, Jordan	Thematic Talk: Challenges Facing Medical Education in the Region
10:00 AM	Dr. Yousuf al Weshahi (M) Sultan Qaboos University Muscat, Oman	The Future of Medical Education in GCC Countries
10:30 AM	BREAK	
10:45 AM	Dr. Mariam Bagdhady University of Kuwait Kuwait	Teaching the Basic Sciences in Medical Education: Hindrances or Enhancements?
11:45 AM	Dr. Mohammad Al Suwaidan University of Kuwait Kuwait	Globalization and Medical Education in the Middle East: Opportunities and Challenges

SESSION 3B: Trauma

9:30 AM	Dr. Saeed Barbat (M) Ford Motor Company Dearborn, MI	Thematic Talk: How to Minimize and Manage Trauma: Lessons from the Industry
10:10 AM	Dr. Abdullah Al Harthi (M) Sultan Qaboos University Muscat, Oman	Challenges to Establish a Trauma System: The Omani Perspective
10:30 AM	BREAK	
10:45 AM	Dr. Susan Dun Northwestern University Doha, Qatar	Changing the Deadly Driving Behaviors of Young Arab Men
11:05 AM	Dr. Abdullah Al Maniri The Scientific Research Council Oman	Road Safety Research Program in Oman- Achievement & Challenges

11:25 AM	Dr. Mohamed El-Shinawi Ain Shams University Cairo, Egypt	Improving Injury Prevention Research in Egypt and the Middle East
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SESSION 3C: Ethics and Palliative Care

9:30 AM	Dr. Daniel Hinshaw University of Michigan Ann Arbor, MI	Thematic Talk: Multi-disciplinary Palliative Care and the Ethics of Patient Care
9:50 AM	Dr. Michel Daher (M) Saint George Hospital University Medical Center Beirut, Lebanon	Palliative Care in Middle Eastern Countries: Achievements and Challenges
10:10 AM	Dr. Salem Al Touby (M) Institute of Nursing Muscat, Oman	Exploring the Need of Palliative Care Nurse Specialist in Oman: A Road Map to Collaborative Care
10:30 AM	BREAK	
10:45 AM	Dr. Fawzi Al-Odeh Prince Sultan Military Medical City Riyadh, Saudi Arabia	Oncology and Ethics
11:05 AM	Dr. Daniel Hinshaw University of Michigan Ann Arbor, MI	Ethical Issues in End of Life Care
11:25 AM	Dr. Michel Daher (M) Saint George Hospital University Medical Center Beirut, Lebanon	Pain Relief and Palliative Care as a Human Right

SESSION 4A: WORKSHOP - Transcontinental Collaborative Programs

1:15 PM	Dr. Iman A. Hakim (M) University of Arizona Tucson, AZ	Global Health Institute Partnership with Middle-Eastern Institutions and Organizations
1:35 PM	Dr. Michael D. Katz University of Arizona Tucson, AZ	U.S. Training of Clinical Pharmacy Faculty: Kingdom of Saudi Arabia Experience
1:55 PM	Dr. Joan L. Shaver University of Arizona Tucson, AZ	Building the Global Capacity for a Highly Functional Nursing Workforce
2:15 PM	Dr. Ivo Abraham University of Arizona Tucson, AZ	The E30 (Expertise and Evidence in Pharmaco-Economics and Outcomes): Partnership of the University of Arizona and the Ministry of Health, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

2:35 PM	Dr. Charles B. Cairns University of Arizona Tucson, AZ	Integrated Health Data for Global Bio-Preparedness and Response
2:55 PM	Dr. Elizabeth Krupinski University of Arizona Tucson, AZ	Innovations in Telehealth – New Models for Improving Healthcare Across Borders

SESSION 4B: WORKSHOP - Capacity Building in Oncology

1:15 PM	<p>NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE</p> <p>“The National Cancer Institute (NCI) established the Center for Global Health (CGH) in 2011 to support NCI’s goal of fully integrating research on cancer into U.S. global health initiatives. CGH develops initiatives and collaborates with other NCI divisions, NCI-designated cancer centers, and countries to support cancer control planning, build capacity, and support cancer research and cancer research networks in low- and middle-income countries. NCI CGH’s specific objectives are to: (1) Create sustainable international partnerships; (2) Support programs that address global gaps in research and scientific training; and (3) Disseminate information and best practices that drive improvements in cancer research and cancer control. NCI CGH will host a workshop on capacity building in oncology to foster multidisciplinary and multisectoral collaboration on cancer research in the Middle East. The workshop will provide a forum to enable the open exchange of scientific knowledge and to strengthen collaboration in global health research, cancer research, and cancer control for a range of stakeholders including researchers, oncologists, clinicians and policy makers. The workshop session will provide content focused specifically on cancer prevention and control and scientific research within global partnerships.”</p>
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SESSION 4C-1 ORAL PRESENTATIONS: Health Research and Education

1:15 PM	Prof. Omar Al Rawas (M) Sultan Qaboos University Muscat, Oman	Medical Research Performance and Challenges in the Middle East
1:35 PM	Ms. Claudia Ayash (M) Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center New York, NY	Health Information Diffusion Among Arab American Women: Understanding Barriers to Improve Access to Breast Health Education
1:55 PM	Dr. Raad Al Mehdi Royal Hospital, Ministry of Health Oman	Implementing the Standard of Care in the Management of Surgical Disease. The Role of Advanced Laparoscopy; Challenges and Milestones in a Major Tertiary Center in Oman
2:15 PM	Dr. Yousef Shahin United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)	Clinical Audit on the Provision of Diabetes Care in the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)
2:35 PM	Dr. Adhra Al Mawali (M) Ministry of Health Muscat, Oman	2050 Vision for Health Research
2:55 PM	Dr. John van Aalst Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Cincinnati, OH	Training the Next Generation of Cleft and Craniofacial Surgeons in Palestine

SESSION 4C-2 ORAL PRESENTATIONS: Public Health and Social Epidemiology

1:15 PM	Dr. Khirea Hashaishi Emory University Atlanta, GA	Advocacy for Evidence-Informed Approaches to Implement Harm Reduction Activities for People Who Inject Drugs in Libya
1:35 PM	Dr. Hayfaa Wahabi (M) King Saud University Riyadh, Saudi Arabia	Capacity-Building in Evidence-Informed Health-Policy for Public Health Students at KSU
1:55 PM	Dr. Sylvia Nassar-McMillan (M) North Carolina State University Raleigh, NC	Emergent Voices of Middle Eastern/North African (MENA) American Youth: Results of a Preliminary Focus Group Study and Implications for Global Collaborations of Biopsychosocial Research on Arab Youth
2:15 PM	Ms. Martine Najem American University of Beirut Beirut, Lebanon	Partnerships for Health across borders: Facing challenges in complex settings
2:35 PM	Ms. Reem Ghoneim George Washington University Washington, DC	A Health Needs Assessment of Arab-Americans in the Washington, DC Area
2:55 PM	Dr. Maria Kristiansen Qatar University Doha, Qatar	Migration and Health: Challenges for the GCC and Lessons Learned

SESSION 4D-1

POSTER SYMPOSIUM: Metabolic & Cardiovascular Dis. - Dr. Abdul Badi Abou Samra (M)

1:15 - 3:15 pm	Dr. Syed Shah United Arab Emirates University Al Ain, Abu Dhabi	Alarming Trends in Diabetes: from Himalayan Mountains to the Plains of United Arab Emirates
	Dr. Wegdan Bani Issa University of Sharjah Sharjah, UAE	Attitudes of Healthcare Professionals Toward Diabetes in Community Healthcare Settings in United Arab Emirates
	Dr. Linda Jaber Wayne State University Detroit, MI	Barriers and facilitators to diabetes self-management in Arab Americans
	Dr. Nada Abu Kishk United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)	Diabetes Campaign conducted in UNRWA health centers for Palestine refugees
	Dr. Heyam Dalky Jordan University of Science & technology Irbid, Jordan	Eating Habits and Associated Factors Among Adolescent Students in Madaba City, Jordan
	Abdullah Hammoud, MPH United Nations Relief and Work Agency (UNRWA)	Implementing an Obesity Reduction Program among Palestinian Refugees with Diabetes

1:15 - 3:15 pm (Continued)	Dr. Usama Alalami Zayed University Dubai, UAE	Integrated Approach to Individualized Diabetes Care in Dubai, UAE
	Dr. Mostafa Abolfotouh Cairo, Egypt	Metabolic Abnormalities and Association with Obesity among College Students
	Dr. Hendia Abu Nabaa Primary Health Care Centers Salfit, Palestine	Obesity Perception and Anemia Status among Palestinian Women
	Dr. Ronal El Sughayyar Birzeit University Ramallah, Palestine	Nutritional Status among Obese Children in Palestine
	Dr. M. Wohoush United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)	Specialized Center for Caring of Diabetic and Hypertensive Patients – A New Experience

SESSION 4D-2
POSTER SYMPOSIUM: Tobacco & Occupational Health, and Education - Dr. F. Fouad (M)

1:15 - 3:15 pm	Dr. Rana Nassif University of Balamand Beirut, Lebanon	Exposure Assessment of Bisphenol A in Lebanese Drinking Water
	Dr. Mohamed Elghazaly Ministry of Health and Population Cairo, Egypt	Low Back Pain Among Nurses Working in a Tertiary Care Hospital
	Dr. Nasir Matani Sultan Qaboos University Muscat, Oman	Musculoskeletal Symptoms and Work Conditions: a Survey Study Among Hospital Registered Nurses in Jordan
	Dr. Hendia Abu Nabaa Primary Health Care Centers Salfit, Palestine	Palestinian Youth's Risky Transition into Adulthood; Do Area C Smoking Status' differ?
	Dr. Ahmad Alghamdi King Khalid University Hospital Riyadh, Saudi Arabia	Socioeconomic Determinants of Exposure to SHS Among Pregnant women
	Dr. Lars Hedin SIDRA Medical and Research Center Doha, Qatar	Bronchial Asthma in Qatari School Children: Preliminary Analysis of Data from the National Epidemiological Pilot Study of Lung Health
	Dr. Farid Shamo Michigan Department of Community Health Lansing, MI	The Health Impact of the Smoke Free Law in Michigan, a Comprehensive Evaluation Studies and Outcomes.

1:15 - 3:15 pm <i>(Continued)</i>	<p>Dr. Sally Mashaly Alexandria University Alexandria, Egypt</p>	<p>Middle East and Clinical Trials, How they Add to Each Other</p>
	<p>Dr. Iffat Elbarazi United Arab Emirates University Al Ain, Abu Dhabi</p>	<p>Burnout Among Health Care Professionals in Arab Countries: A Systematic Review</p>
	<p>Dr. Baraa Alghalyini Riyadh, Saudi Arabia</p>	<p>Saudi Family Physicians' Job Satisfaction and their Patients' Satisfaction</p>
	<p>Dr. Javier González Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center New York, NY</p>	<p>The Program for Medical Interpreting Services and Education (PROMISE)</p>
	<p>Dr. Layth Mula-Hussain Zhianawa Cancer Center Kurdistan, Iraq</p>	<p>Undergraduate Oncology Education in Arab Communities: Initiative Experience from Iraq</p>
	<p>Dr. Wael Al-Delaimy Society for Advancement of Science and Technology in the Arab World San Diego, CA</p>	<p>Arab Expatriate Scientists and Their Role in the Arab Region</p>

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2015

Plenary Session III (National Arab American Medical Association)

8:30 AM	Dr. Mouhanad Hammami Past President, National Arab American Medical Association, Chief of Health Operations Wayne County Detroit, MI	HEALTHOGRAPHY: The connection Between Health and Place
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SESSION 5A: Metabolic and Cardiovascular Diseases

9:30 AM	Dr. Abdul Badi Abou Samra (M) Hamad Medical Center Doha, Qatar	Metabolic Syndrome Complex in Arabs: Diabetes, Obesity, Dyslipidemia and Cardiovascular Complications
9:50 AM	Dr. Naser Elkum SIDRA Medical and Research Center Doha, Qatar	SIDRA: Prevalence and Determinants of Childhood Obesity in Arabs: Sitting on the Volcano of Metabolic Disorders
10:10 AM	Dr. Rasmieh Alzeidan King Saud University Riyadh, Saudi Arabia	Diabetes Mellitus and Cardiovascular Risk Scores Among University Employees and their Families
10:30 AM	BREAK	
10:45 AM	Dr. Khalid Al Rasadi (M) Sultan Qaboos University Muscat, Oman	The Cardiometabolic Syndrome in the MENA Region: Strategies for Improving the Cardiovascular Risk Outcomes
11:05 AM	Dr. Yousef Shahin United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)	UNRWA: Outreach Screening for Diabetes and Hypertension Among Palestine Refugees
11:25 AM	Dr. Raad Al Mehdi Royal Hospital, Ministry of Health Oman	The Role of Surgery in Turning the Tide of Non Communicable Disease in Oman: Obesity, Diabetes and Gastric Cancer as Challenges at stake

SESSION 5B: Social Epidemiology

9:30 AM	Dr. Eduardo Villamor University of Michigan Ann Arbor, MI	Nutritional and Social Experiences in Relation to Child Health During Rapid Societal Transitions
9:50 AM	Dr. Belinda Needham University of Michigan Ann Arbor, MI	Social Inequalities in Health in Arab populations

10:10 AM	Dr. Abdurrahman El-Sayed Columbia University New York, NY	Social Environments and Population Health: Arab-Americans and Beyond
10:30 AM	BREAK	
10:45 AM	Dr. Carlos F. Mendes de Leon (M) University of Michigan Ann Arbor, MI	Exposure to Major Social Stress and Health: Setting a Research Agenda for the Future
11:05 AM	Dr. Sawsan Abdulrahim American University of Beirut Beirut, Lebanon	Social Inequalities in Health During Times of “economic prosperity”: Lebanon, Syria, and Palestine in the First Decade of the Twenty First Century
11:25 AM	Dr. Halima Al Hinai (M) Ministry of Health Oman	The Concept of Health Promotion and Successful Health Promotion Projects in Oman

SESSION 5C: Issues in Women Medicine

9:30 AM	Dr. Adnan Munkarah (M) Henry Ford Health System Detroit, MI	Thematic Talk: Challenges in Gynecological Oncology Training and Care
9:50 AM	Dr. Michelle Cote Wayne State University Detroit, MI	Breast and Endometrial Cancer: an Emerging Public Health Crisis Associated with Obesity
10:10 AM	Dr. Suad Al Kharousi (M) The Royal Hospital Muscat, Oman	Cancer Incidence Among Omani Women and Causes of Delayed Presentation
10:30 AM	BREAK	
10:45 AM	Dr. Nabila Heroual Faculty of Medicine Oran, Algeria	Hospital Infant Mortality Between 2003 and 2007 in Oran (Algeria)
11:05 AM	Dr. Khitam Ibrahim Shlash Mohammad Jordan University of Science and Technology Irbid, Jordan	Low Birth Weight in Jordan: Prevalence and Associated Risk Factors
11:25 AM	Dr. Hayfaa Wahabi King Saud University Riyadh, Saudi Arabia	Obesity and Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes: Results from Riyadh Birth Cohort Study

SESSION 6A

GLOBAL HEALTH TRAINING: Opportunities for increasing Skills in clinical and public Health research, with a focus in the Arab world

1:15 PM	Dr. Jane Meza University of Nebraska Omaha, NE	Public Health Education Opportunities at the University of Nebraska Medical Center
1:45 PM	Dr. Ward Chamber University of Nebraska Omaha, NE	Joint Educational and Training Programs between the University of Nebraska Medical Center and Oman
2:15 PM	Dr. Amr Soliman University of Nebraska Omaha, NE	Cancer Research Training Programs in the Middle East and Arab Countries
2:15 PM	Dr. Robert Chamberlain University of Nebraska Omaha, NE	Career Development for Trainees in the Gulf Region: Trainee-Mentor Relationships and Expectations

SESSION 6B Workshop: ANERA

Collaborative Workshop on Community Health hosted by ANERA

SESSION 6C-1 ORAL PRESENTATIONS: Adolescent Medicine

1:15 PM	Dr. Tom Loney (M) College of Medicine and Health Sciences Al Ain, Abu Dhabi	Walk Strong, Live Long! Increasing ambulatory physical activity in male Emirati adolescents through a school-based walking campaign
1:35 PM	Ms. Mamdouh Wahba Egyptian Family Health Society Cairo, Egypt	Youth in the Arab World: Between Biology and Traditions
1:55 PM	Dr. Fouad M. Fouad (M) American University of Beirut Beirut Lebanon	Health Needs and risks of Very Young Adolescent Among Syrian Refugees in Lebanon
2:05 PM	Ms. Dima Bteddini American University of Beirut Beirut Lebanon	A Mixed-Method Approach to Explore Youth Developmental Assets in Lebanon
2:35 PM	Dr. Maha Abdel Wanis World Health Organization Geneva, Switzerland	Virtual Sexual Practices Among Egyptian Youth
2:55 PM	Dr. Doaa Oraby Clinical Research Cairo, Egypt	Universal Access to Comprehensive Sexual and Reproductive Health Services in Egypt

SESSION 6C-2 ORAL PRESENTATIONS: Mental Health

1:15 PM	Invited Speaker University of California Los Angeles Los Angeles, CA	2014 Iraq National Household Survey
1:35 PM	Dr. Sawssan Ahmed (M) California State University Fullerton, CA	Acculturative stress, Maternal Exposure to Trauma and Mental Health in Children of Iraqi Refugees Resettled into the United States
1:55 PM	Dr. Aseel Hamid University College of London London, UK	Factors Affecting Psychological Help Seeking Attitudes: a UK Arab Perspective
2:05 PM	Dr. Hanan Badr (M) Kuwait University Kuwait	Prevalence, Gender Difference and Correlates of Suicide Behaviors Among Adolescents: The Kuwait GSHS
2:35 PM	Dr. Khitam Ibrahim Shlash Mohammad Jordan University of Science and Technology Irbid, Jordan	Prevalence and Factors Associated with the Development of Postnatal Anxiety Among Jordanian Women
2:55 PM	Dr. Marwan Khawaja UN-ESCWA Beirut, Lebanon	The Impact of State Repression on Intimate Partner Violence (IPV): Evidence from Palestine using Propensity Score Matching

SESSION 6D-1

POSTER SYMPOSIUM: Cancer, Ethics and Palliative Care - Dr. Otis Brawly (M)

1:15 - 3:15 pm	Ms. Hiam Hamade ACCESS Dearborn, MI	An Analysis of the Arab Community for Economic and Social Services Breast Cancer Outreach Program
	Dr. Fatma Seghier Academic Hospital of Oran Oran, Algeria	Lung Cancer in elderly Algerian's Patients
	Dr. Fatma Seghier Academic Hospital of Oran Oran, Algeria	Associated primary tumors in patients with lung cancer
	Dr. Wafa Ibrahim Elhag Al Neelain University Khartoum, Sudan	Molecular Detection of Human Papillomavirus Type-16 DNA in Cervical Cancer Tissue Biopsies
	Dr. Maysam Abu Saa Tawam Hospital Al Ain, Abu Dhabi	Breast Screening - Until Every Women Is Safe

1:15 - 3:15 pm (Continued)	<p>Dr. Aasim Padela The University of Chicago Chicago, IL</p>	Religion-related factors and breast cancer screening among American Muslims
	<p>Dr. Karima Elshamy Mansoura University Mansoura, Egypt</p>	How to Establish a Palliative Care Unit
	<p>Dr. Karima Elshamy Mansoura University Mansoura, Egypt</p>	Ethical Issues in Palliative Care Nursing
	<p>Dr. Karima Elshamy Mansoura University Mansoura, Egypt</p>	Building Capacity for Sustainable Research Programmes for Cancer in Africa
	<p>Dr. Munzareen Padela The University of Chicago Chicago, IL</p>	Accommodation of Minority Religious Beliefs and Practices in Medical Student Education
	<p>Dr. Aasim Padela The University of Chicago Chicago, IL</p>	Ethical Obligations and Clinical Goals in End-of-Life Care: Deriving a Quality-of-Life Construct Based on the Islamic Concept of Accountability Before God (Taklif)
	<p>Dr. Naveen Rudolf Rodrigues Yenepoya Medical College Hospital Mangalore, India</p>	Spiritual Suffering in life limiting illness
	<p>Dr. Naveen Rudolf Rodrigues Yenepoya Medical College Hospital Mangalore, India</p>	Spiritual Concepts of Fellowship students of Palliative Medicine

SESSION 6D-2 POSTER SYMPOSIUM: Public Health - Dr. May Darwish (M)

1:15 - 3:15 pm	<p>Dr. Nadeem Alduaij SAHA Institute Kuwait</p>	Social Health Insurance Feasibility in the Gulf Cooperation Council
	<p>Dr. Karima Elshamy Mansoura University Mansoura, Egypt</p>	Barriers and Facilitators for Implementing Evidence-Based Practice among Egyptian Nurses Working at Mansoura University Hospitals
	<p>Dr. Nadine Abdallah American Near East Refugee Aid (ANERA) Beirut, Lebanon</p>	Community-Based Health Promotion: Experiences and Best Practices
	<p>Dr. Zaid Al-Hamdan Jordan University of Science and Technology Irbid, Jordan</p>	Conflict Management Styles Used by Nurses in Jordan

1:15 - 3:15 pm (Continued)

<p>Dr. Mahmoud Hassan Cairo University Cairo, Egypt</p>	<p>Disparity across Families in Disease Burden and Expenditure on Health: Community Based Study</p>
<p>Dr. Jayasree Radhamaniamma Salalah Nursing Institute Dhofar, Oman</p>	<p>Effectiveness of Patient Education on Rheumatoid Arthritis Patients in Salalah.</p>
<p>Dr. Hayat Khogali Sudan Federal Ministry of Health Khartoum, Sudan</p>	<p>Establishing A Plan of Action for Implementing Integrated Disease Surveillance in Sudan</p>
<p>Dr. Karima Elshamy Mansoura University Mansoura, Egypt</p>	<p>Impact of Implementing Blood Borne Infection Prevention and Control Program on Nurses' Knowledge and Practice at Mansoura University Hospitals, Egypt</p>
<p>Dr. Karima Elshamy Mansoura University Mansoura, Egypt</p>	<p>Impact of Implementing Safe Handling of Hazardous Drugs Education Programme on Enhancing Nurses' Knowledge and Performance at Oncology Center at Mansoura University Hospitals, Egypt</p>
<p>Dr. Asharaf Abdul Salam King Saud University Riyadh, Saudi Arabia</p>	<p>Components and Public Health Impact of Population Growth in the Arab World</p>
<p>Dr. Leila Houti Center of Research on Social and Cultural Anthropology Oran, Algeria</p>	<p>Equity and health: Prioritization of Health Problems by Community Participation in Draa El Mizan (Algeria).</p>
<p>Dr. Maha Abdel Wanis World Health Organization Geneva, Switzerland</p>	<p>Health Knowledge and Attitudes Among Youth in Selected Arab Countries, with a Specific Focus on Sexual and Reproductive Health</p>
<p>Dr. Mohammed Atallah King Khalid University Hospital Riyadh, Saudi Arabia</p>	<p>An Evidence-Based Clinical Practice Guideline (CPG) Adaptation on Surgical Site Infection Prevention</p>
<p>Ms. Martine Najem American University of Beirut Beirut, Lebanon</p>	<p>Building Foundation and Roof Simultaneously: The Equity Challenge in Conflict-Ridden Iraq's National Child Protection Policy</p>
<p>Dr. Raeda AbuAlRub Jordan University of science and Technology Irbid, Jordan</p>	<p>The Impact of Safety Climate and Teamwork on the Level of Intent to Stay Among Hospital Nurses</p>

THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2015

Plenary Session IV (University of Arizona)

8:30 AM	Rana Hajjeh, M.D. Director, Division of Bacterial Diseases, NCIRD, CDC Atlanta, GA	Global Collaborative Efforts for Infectious Disease Control
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SESSION 7A: Arab American and Chaldean Health in Michigan

9:30 AM	Dr. Miles McNall (M) Michigan State University East Lansing, MI	Conducting a BRFS Survey of Arab/Chaldean Population in Michigan
9:50 AM	Dr. Harry Perlstadt (M) Michigan State University East Lansing, MI	Healthcare Access and Insurance among Arab/ Chaldean Americans in Michigan
10:10 AM	Dr. Rosina J. Hassoun Michigan State University East Lansing, MI	Acculturation and Health in Michigan's Arab and Chaldean Populations
10:30 AM	BREAK	
10:45 AM	Dr. Stephen P. Gasteyer Michigan State University East Lansing, MI	Michigan's Arab and Chaldean Populations: Food, Smoking, Alcohol and Exercise
11:05 AM	Hiam Hamade ACCESS Dearborn, MI	Family Communication and Cancer Literacy

SESSION 7B: Organ Donation and Transplantation

9:30 AM	Dr. Khalid Al Naamani (M) Armed Forces Hospital Muscat, Oman	Thematic Talk: Organ Transplantation in Arab world: Facts & Challenges
	Dr. Marwan Abouljoud (M) Henry Ford Health System Detroit, MI	Thematic Talk: Addressing Disparities in Organ Donation & Transplantation: the US Experience
	Panel Discussion	Audience Participation
10:30 AM	BREAK	

SESSION 7C: Capacity Building for Health Professionals: The Maghreb Experience

10:45 AM	Dr. Belgacem Sabri (M) Association for Defending the Right to Health Tunis, Tunisia	Migration of Health Professionals in the Arab Maghreb: Opportunities and Threats
11:05 AM	Dr. Hedi Achouri Ministry of Public Health Tunis, Tunisia	Contributions of the Maghreb Network on Health Systems and Health Economics to Capacity Development in the Region
11:25 AM	Dr. Noureddine Achou National Observatory Tunis, Tunisia	The Journey Towards Universal Health Coverage in the Central Maghreb: Algeria, Morocco, and Tunisia

SESSION 7D: Obesity

9:30 AM	Dr. Carla Makhoulf (M) American University of Beirut Beirut, Lebanon	Thematic Talk: Unhealthy Weight in the Arab Region: Prevalence, Socio-Economic Factors, Gender, and Social Context
9:50 AM	Dr. Hala Ghattas (M) American University of Beirut Beirut, Lebanon	Prevalence and Predictors of Double Burden of Malnutrition in Under-5 Year Old Children: Data from Eight Arab Countries
10:10 AM	Dr. Amina Aitsi-Selmi University College London, UK	Education Modifies the Association of Wealth with Obesity in Women in Middle-Income but Not Low-Income Countries: An Interaction Study Using Seven National Datasets, 2005-2010
10:30 AM	BREAK	
10:45 AM	Dr. Hanan Abdul Rahim Qatar Foundation Doha, Qatar	Perceptions of Body Weight and Prevalence of Physical Activity Among Qatari Women: A National Survey
11:05 AM	Dr. Rasha Khatib Birzeit University Ramallah, Palestine	Prevalence of General and Abdominal Obesity in the Occupied Palestinian Territory: The PURE Study
11:25 AM	Dr. Jalila Al Ati National Institute of Nutrition, Tunis, Tunisia	The Overweight and Anemia Double Burden Fuels Gender Health Inequalities

SESSION 8: Executive Roundtable *(by invitation only)*

11:45 AM	This special session will convene health leaders and executives from around the world to engage in a discussion and create a work plan to promote health research and enhance capacity building in conjunction with the objectives put forward by Healthy People 2020.
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SESSION 9A: POSTER SYMPOSIUM: General - Dr. Hassan Fehmi (M)

1:15 - 3:15 pm	<p>Dr. Aasim Padela The University of Chicago Chicago, IL</p>	<p>Religious Leaders and Attitudinal Change: Dissecting Efforts to Promote Organ Donation Among Muslims</p>
	<p>Dr. Hedieh Mehrtash Boston University School of Public Health Boston, MA</p>	<p>Comparative Analysis of Essential Medicines Listed for Cardiovascular Diseases among WHO EMRO Countries</p>
	<p>Dr. Usama Alalami Zayed University Dubai, UAE</p>	<p>Sports Nutrition Understanding and Supplement Use in Dubai</p>
	<p>Dr. Hendia Abu Nabaa Primary Health Care Centers Salfit, Palestine</p>	<p>Determinants of Municipal Solid Waste Management in the Occupied Palestinian Territory (oPT).</p>
	<p>Dr. Khulood Shattnawi Jordan University of Science and Technology Irbid, Jordan</p>	<p>Suspended Liminality: Breastfeeding and Becoming a Mother in two NICUs in Jordan</p>
	<p>Dr. Hayfaa Wahabi King Saud University Riyadh, Saudi Arabia</p>	<p>The Independent Effects of Maternal Obesity and Gestational Diabetes on the Pregnancy Outcomes.</p>
	<p>Dr. Hiba Darwish Birzeit University Ramallah, Palestine</p>	<p>The Prevalence of Distress and Associated Factors Among Palestinian University Students living in the West Bank and East Jerusalem</p>
	<p>Dr. Muniswamy Vanaja Karnataka, India</p>	<p>STP on Life Style Modifications in Cardiac patients for maintaining healthy heart</p>
	<p>Dr. H. M. Harikrishnan Karnataka, India</p>	<p>Demonstrating the Clinical Efficacy of Multi-Modality (System Approach) of Modified Collagen, Amorphous Hydrogel, Hydrophilic Polymer and an Absorbent Dressing in Managing Diabetic Wounds, Venous Stasis and Arterial Insufficiency Wounds</p>
	<p>Dr. Khalid Younis Al Quds University Jerusalem, Palestine</p>	<p>Measurement of Vitamin B12 by Different Machines: A Comparative Study in Palestine</p>
	<p>Dr. Ahmed Zaghloul Cairo, Egypt</p>	<p>Prevalence of Unnecessary Injections and Population Beliefs About the Efficacy of Injections in Egypt, 2013</p>
	<p>Dr. John van Aalst Cincinnati Children's Hospital Cincinnati, OH</p>	<p>The Palestinian Congenital Anomalies Database: An Initial Report</p>
	<p>Dr. Yasser Amer King Khalid University Hospital Riyadh, Saudi Arabia</p>	<p>Capacity Building for Adaptation of Clinical Practice Guidelines</p>

1:15 - 3:15 pm (Continued)	Dr. Harri Mohcin UAE University Al Ain, Abu Dhabi	Reducing Vulnerability of Men having Sex with Men in Morocco.
	Dr. Lama Bendak Lebanese University Beirut, Lebanon	Role of IEP'S in Helping ADHD Students
	Dr. Michal Grivna UAE University Al Ain, Abu Dhabi	Baby Walker - A Popular but Dangerous Consumer Product
	Dr. Maysam Abu Saa Tawam Hospital Al Ain, Abu Dhabi	Head Injury in Emergency Cross Sectional Imaging
	Dr. Azza Hussein Faculty of Nursing Alexandria University Alexandria, Egypt	Health Care Providers' Knowledge about Disaster and Emergency Preparedness
	Dr. Wesley Rohrer University of Pittsburgh Pittsburgh, PA	Systematic Review on Road Traffic Accidents in the Nations of the Gulf Co-Operation Council

SESSION 9B-1:
ORAL PRESENTATIONS: Social Determinants of Health [Dr. M. Hammami (M)]

1:15 PM	Ms. Reem Ghoneim George Washington University Washington, DC	An Environmental Scan of the Arab-American Diaspora's Health
1:35 PM	Dr. Renee Canady and Ms. Madiha Tariq Michigan Public Health Institute and ACCESS Michigan, USA	Addressing Health Disparities in Arab Americans living in Michigan
1:55 PM	Dr. Janine E. Janosky University of Michigan-Dearborn Dearborn, MI	Eduaction and Health Workforce Development in Community Settings
2:15 PM	Dr. Bothaina Alttal (M) Sana'a University Sana'a, Yemen	HIV/AIDS and Social Determinants of Health in Yemen, a Vicious Circle
2:35 PM	Dr. Maha Almuneef King Abdulaziz Medical City Riyadh, Saudi Arabia	Social Determinants of Chronic Diseases Among Adults in Saudi Arabia
2:55 PM	Dr. Fouad Fouad American University of Beirut Beirut, Lebanon	The Geopolitical Burden of Disease and Health as it Relates to Refuges in Times of Conflicts

SESSION 9B-2: ORAL PRESENTATIONS: Breast Cancer

1:15 PM	Dr. Naser Elkum SIDRA Medical and Research Center Doha, Qatar	Risk Factors for Breast Cancer in Arab Women
1:35 PM	Dr. Karima Elshamy Mansoura University Mansoura, Egypt	Effect of Implementing a Prechemotherapy Education Programme on Psychological Distress, Quality of Life, and Satisfaction of Egyptian Women Newly Diagnosed with Breast Cancer
1:55 PM	Dr. Kim Jaffee Wayne State University Detroit, MI	Cultural Barriers to Breast Cancer Screening Among Arab American Women
2:05 PM	Dr. Zahid Al Mandhari (M) Oman Cancer Association Muscat, Oman	Challenges of Breast Cancer Screening in the MENA Region, Which Model do we Adopt
2:35 PM	Dr. Mahbuba Hammad California State University San Bernardino, CA	National Policy to Combat Breast Cancer in Qatar
2:55 PM	Dr. Maria Kristiansen Qatar University Doha, Qatar	Mammography Screening Determinants among Arab Communities in Denmark

SESSION 9C-1

POSTER SYMPOSIUM: Mental Health - Dr. Jesse Ghannam (M)

1:15 - 3:15 pm	Dr. Najeem Al Balushi Ministry of Health Oman Muscat, Oman	The Healthcare Needs of Arab Immigrants Living in Philadelphia, PA, U.S.A
	Dr. Hend Saab St George Hospital South East Sydney, Australia	Arabic Mindfulness CD: An Innovative Treatment Tool for Clients with Depression and Anxiety Disorders.
	Dr. Mohammad Hasan Rajab Alfaisal University Riyadh, Saudi Arabia	Complementary and Alternative Medicine in Psychiatric Patients in the KSA
	Dr. Ronal El Sughayyar Applied Research Institute Jerusalem, Palestine	Determinants of Exposure to Different Types of Violence Among Undergraduate Students in the (oPt): A cross- Sectional study
	Dr. Hendia Abu Nabaa Primary Health Care Centers Salfit, Palestine	Human Insecurity and Exposure to Political Violence among Palestinian Students”
	Dr. Reda Jaber University of Michigan Ann Arbor, MI	Measuring Depression and Stigma Towards Depression and Mental Health Treatment Among Adolescents in an Arab-American Community

1:15 - 3:15 pm (Continued)	Dr. Wael Al-Delaimy University of California San Diego, CA	Personal Trauma and Depression and Anxiety Among Female Iraqi Refugees in San Diego.
	Dr. Mousa Altaani Jordan University of Science and Technology Irbid, Jordan	Psychological Experiences and Quality of Life in Patients Awaiting CABG
	Dr. Maysam Abu Saa Tawam Hospital Al Ain, Abu Dhabi	Schizophrenia - Mystery of the Mind
	Dr. Clement Kairouz Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai New York, NY	The Program in Global Mental Health at Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
	Dr. Ghassan Abdallah The University of Dundee Dundee, United Kingdom	Traumatic Grief in Palestinian Children
	Dr. Hoda Amine Dearborn Counseling Services Dearborn, MI	Effects of Wars on Mental Health

SESSION 9C-2

POSTER SYMPOSIUM: Infectious Diseases - Dr. Rana Hajjeh (M)

1:15 - 3:15 pm	Dr. Nada Melhem American University of Beirut Beirut, Lebanon	Antiretroviral Drug Resistance among Treatment Naïve HIV-1 Infected Individuals
	Dr. Atef Salem Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Cairo, Egypt	Effect of Implementing Isolation on Hepatitis C Seroconversion Rate in Hemodialysis Units: Follow up Study, Egypt, 2012
	Dr. Mohamad Bachar Ismail Lebanese University Tripoli, Lebanon	Interleukine-17A Positively Regulates Human Mycobacterium Granuloma Formation and Maintenance
	Dr. Nada Melhem American University of Beirut Beirut, Lebanon	Killer Immunoglobulin Receptors (KIR) Genes and Susceptibility to Hepatitis B Virus Infection Post Vaccination
	Dr. Nabila Heroual Faculty of Medicine Oran, Algeria	Place of Non-Communicable Diseases in Hospital Mortality of Children Under the Age of 15 Years in Oran (Algeria)
	M. Ergie Inocian King Khalid University Hospital Riyadh, Saudi Arabia	An Evidence-Based Clinical Practice Guideline (CPG) Adaptation on Surgical Site Infection Prevention

1:15 - 3:15 pm (Continued)	<p>Dr. Mona Darwish Ministry of Health and Population Cairo, Egypt</p>	<p>Prevalence and Degree of Disability Among New Leprosy Patients in Egypt, 2013</p>
	<p>Dr. Hesham Bastawy Ministry of Health and Population Cairo, Egypt</p>	<p>Response to Reported HAV Cases Among Tourists Returning from Egypt, 2013</p>
	<p>Dr. Kamal El Bissati The University of Chicago Medical School Chicago, IL,</p>	<p>Toxoplasmosis in U.S. & Morocco: Parasite Genetics & Manifestations at Birth</p>
	<p>Dr. Younes Yatine Ministry of Health Morocco</p>	<p>Theater of the Invisible: An Innovative Approach for Preferentially Project Outreach Prevention Targeting Key Populations Most at Risk of HIV Infection.</p>
	<p>Dr. Leila Houti Center of Research on Social and Cultural Anthropology Oran, Algeria</p>	<p>From Cutaneous Leishmaniasis to Environmental Citizen Awareness in Draa el Mizan (Algeria)</p>
	<p>Dr. Leila Houti Center of Research on Social and Cultural Anthropology Oran, Algeria</p>	<p>What do Vulnerable Populations from Natural Foci of Draa El Mizan and Ain Skhouna Know About Cutaneous Leishmaniasis?</p>
	<p>Dr. Abdulla Bin Ghouth Hadramout University Yemen</p>	<p>Children's Vaccination Coverage in Yemen 2000-2012: Hard to Reach the Goal</p>
	<p>Dr. Isa Saleh United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)</p>	<p>Mumps Outbreak in Gaza Strip 2013-2014</p>

SESSION 9C-3

POSTER SYMPOSIUM: Women and Children Health - Dr. Tawfiq Taki Allawati (M)

1:15 - 3:15 pm	<p>Dr. Tawfiq Taki Allawati Royal Hospital, Ministry of Health Muscat, Oman</p>	<p>Pediatric Health: Challenges in Oman and Arab world</p>
	<p>Dr. Karima Elshamy Mansoura University Mansoura, Egypt</p>	<p>Factors Influencing Patient Delay in Seeking Medical Care among Egyptian Women Presenting with Advanced Breast Cancer at Oncology Centre –Mansoura University</p>
	<p>Dr. Balsam Ahmad Newcastle University Newcastle upon Tyne, UK</p>	<p>How Did Married Women Perceive the Influence of Living in Formal and Informal Neighborhoods on their Health and Wellbeing? A Qualitative Study from Aleppo, Syria</p>
	<p>Dr. Andaleeb Abu Kamel Al-Zaytoonah University of Jordan Amman, Jordan</p>	<p>Jordanian Women's Perception and Evaluation of Home Caregiving Program-Qualitative Study</p>

1:15 - 3:15 pm (Continued)	<p>Dr. Ouzriat Boualem Department of Health and Population of the Wilaya of Boumerdes, Algeria</p>	<p>Health of Children and Women, Status and Disparities Observed through the Third Algerian Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey</p>
	<p>Dr. Ziad Abdeen Al-Quds University Jerusalem, Palestine</p>	<p>Growth of Palestinian Children Aged 6-59 Months Compared to the WHO Growth Curves</p>
	<p>Dr. Paula Schreck St. John Macomb-Oakland Hospital, MI</p>	<p>Developing a Arab American and Chaldean Lactation Consultant Training Program</p>
	<p>Dr. Umayyeh Khammash UNRWA</p>	<p>Family and Child Protection on the Health Services Agenda for Palestinian Refugees</p>
	<p>Dr. Nihaya Al-sheyab Jordan University of Science and Technology and The University of Sydney Irbid, Jordan</p>	<p>Levels of Perfluorinated Compounds in Human Breast Milk in Comparison to Local Fresh Cow Milk in Jordan</p>
	<p>Dr. Abdullah Al-Taiar Faculty of Medicine Kuwait University, Kuwait</p>	<p>Age at Menarche in Relation to Digit Ratio and Breastfeeding Among High School Girls in Kuwait</p>
	<p>Dr. Hendia Abu Nabaa Primary Health Care Centers Salfit, Palestine</p>	<p>Access to Care for Women Reporting Postnatal Complications in the Occupied Palestinian Territory: A Cross-Sectional Study</p>
	<p>Dr. Susie Ramisetty-Mikler Al Faisal University College of Medicine Riyadh, Saudi Arabia</p>	<p>Saudi Women's Health Literacy and Behavior During Preconception and Pregnancy</p>

3:15 PM	SESSION 10: Closing Ceremony
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Social & Cultural Program

The Social / Cultural program will complement the scientific program of the conference by introducing attendees to the heritage, history, culture, and environment of Arabs. Muscat is considered the pulsating heart of Oman and is home to Port Sultan Qaboos by Muttrah Corniche where visitors can experience the wonderful collection of natural wonders: exceptional beaches, mountainous heights and golden sand dunes (Bawshar Sands). Muscat is regarded as one of the sparkling capitals in the Arab world, having won the “Cleanest Arab City” contest several different times. Through this social program, it is our aim to share the rich cultural heritage and natural beauty that Oman has to offer.

Descriptions below provided by the Ministry of Tourism, Oman [www.omantourism.gov.om/]

OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY

MARCH 1, 7-9 PM • AL BUSTAN HOTEL BALLROOM



This exquisite reception will be under the auspices of a member from the Royal family, the Health Minister, as well as ACCESS.

This will be a formal dinner where participants will have an opportunity to meet with conference speakers and enjoy the Royal Oman Symphony Orchestra playing. There will be dinner at the end of the show at Al Bustan Palace Hotel. This event is hosted by invitation for guests, speakers and organizing committee. Participants are welcome join this event by registration through the website.

Dress Code: Business casual



BAIT AL ZUBAIR, MUTRAH SOUQ EVENING TRIP

MARCH 2, 4-11 PM • DEPART FROM LOBBY

This outing will begin with a trip to Bait Al Zubair (House of Al Zubair), a private museum with a variety of exhibits, historical pieces and anecdotes. The museum provides its visitors with an up-close glimpse of Oman's rich heritage and culture. [Website: <http://www.baitalzubairmuseum.om>]

Following the museum visit, participants will be transported to one of the most beautiful markets in Oman, the Mutrah Souq. Mutrah Souq is known for its handicrafts, like silverware, daggers, traditional cloth, apparel and shoes. In addition to the famous Omani sweets (Halwa), spices and braziers (receptacles in which incense are burned) are available. It's a great place to buy some souvenirs.

This trip will conclude with a unique dining experience you will not want to miss. Beneath Darsait Hills lies the Cave Muscat, a restaurant built out of a cave. Here, visitors will enjoy an exquisite traditional dinner. [Website: <http://www.thecave.com>]



SOCIAL & CULTURAL PROGRAM

FULK AL SALAMAH DINNER CRUISE

MARCH 3, 7-9 PM • BY INVITATION ONLY

Thanks to the generosity of the Royal Court and the Ministry of Health of Oman, select conference participants will be invited to dinner on the Fulk Al Salamah. Participants will enjoy a peaceful evening cruise in the captivating azure waters of the Gulf of Oman. This special event is by invitation only and will be hosted by the Ministry of Health of Oman.

Dress Code: Formal



ACCESS CONFERENCE GALA DINNER

MARCH 4, 7-9 PM • AL BUSTAN PALACE BEACH

The Conference Gala Dinner celebrates the conference objectives and highlights the most prominent successes of the conference. This is a fundraising dinner to benefit ANERA, a humanitarian nonprofit focused on improving the lives of vulnerable and impoverished families in underserved Arab communities. This dinner will serve as another opportunity to share with the participants the rich cultural heritage of Oman. The program will feature traditional Omani food and live music.

Dress Code: Formal

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE MUSCAT

MARCH 5, 7:30 PM • OMAN ROYAL OPERA HOUSE

150 seats have been reserved specifically for conference participants to watch the live performance of Marcel Khalifa with the Oman Royal Symphony Orchestra. Dinner is included in this activity. Tickets will be sold on a first come, first serve basis.

The multidisciplinary work of the Royal Opera House in Muscat showcases rich and diverse artistic creations from Oman, the region and the world.

[Website: <http://www.rohmuscat.org.om/>]

Dress Code: Formal





Extended Social Program

For those conference participants who would like to partake in additional tourist excursions at their own expense, we have five options to choose from. Guests can take advantage of these trips before or after the conference. Attendees taking part in these excursions and extending their stay in Muscat can contact the Al Bustan Palace directly to book additional nights.

OPTION I

A RICH HISTORY: NIZWA, JABREEN, MUSCAT DAY TRIP

This day adventure includes a tour of one of the oldest cities in the country, Nizwa. Participants will be picked up from the hotel lobby and taken to Nizwa's very lively Souq (Market). Here they will have the opportunity to purchase traditional hand crafted goods. Lunch will then be served at the Nizwa Golden Tulip Hotel. The day will continue with sightseeing at Jabreen Castle, a true architectural treasure with authentic Omani Craftsmanship.

COST:

- By Car (4x4): 180 Omani Riyal (OMR) or \$468 USD per person
- By Bus: 80 Omani Riyal (OMR) or \$208 USD per person



OPTION II

THE SUN, SAND, AND A NIGHT UNDER THE STARS: MUSCAT, NIZWA, WAHIBA, SUR DESSERT

Day One: Tour bus departs Muscat to Nizwa, the religious center of the country. Visitors enjoy sights from the fortress of Nizwa and the views of the Sultan Qaboos Grand Mosque. Trip will also include a visit to the local souq (market), followed by a nice lunch in the hotel. After lunch, the tour will continue to Wahiba Sands, where visitors will camp in the desert and spend their night under the stars. A BBQ dinner will be served at the campsite.

Day Two: Breakfast followed by a drive to the coast, and lunch in the Sur at the hotel. After lunch, the bus will travel back to Muscat with stops at the Wadi Shab, Fins Beach and the Bimah Sinkhole.

COST:

- Travel by car (4x4): 180 Omani Riyal (OMR) or \$468 USD per person
- By Bus: 140 Omani Riyal (OMR) or \$364 USD per person



OPTION III

THE GULF OF OMAN ADVENTURE: MUSCAT, WADI SHAB, FINS BEACH, BIMMAH SINKHOLE

This day excursion takes guests from Muscat to the gulf of Oman, to the Sur, Wadi Shab, Fins Beach, and the Bimmah Sinkhole. Wadi Shab offers a spectacular oasis located between rugged cliffs, green gardens, small waterfalls, natural pools, and a cave offering wonderful photo opportunities. Lunch will be at the Wadi Shab hotel. After lunch, guests will visit Bimmah Sinkhole, a limestone Cave Filled with emerald green waters. The “White Beach” of fins will conclude the adventure at the Gulf of Oman.

COST:

- Travel by 4x4: 80 Omani Riyal (OMR) or \$208 USD per person
- By Bus: 40 Omani Riyal (OMR) or \$104 USD per person



OPTION IV

THE TURTLE BEACH ADVENTURE: MUSCAT, NIZWA, WAHIBA, RAS AL HAD, SUR

Day One: The tour will leave Muscat and travel over the plateau, then down the coastal road. Stops will be made at Wahiba Sands and Wadi Bani Khalid, a crater with turquoise-colored water. Guests will have the opportunity to relax and swim. Afterward, the tour heads toward Ras Al Hadd. Upon arrival at Ras Al Hadd, tour will check in at the Ras Al Hadd beach hotel. After dinner, visitors will go to the beach to witness the nesting of the green turtles. Return to the hotel will be late in the evening.

Day Two: After breakfast, visitors will travel back to Muscat making stops at the Gulf and visit The Sur, Wadi Shab and Bimmah sinkhole before returning to Muscat.

COST:

- Travel by Car 4x4: 180 Omani Riyal (OMR) or \$468 USD per person
- By Bus: 140 Omani Riyal (OMR) or \$364 USD per person



OPTION V

FORTS AND WADIS JOURNEY

This day trip includes a guided tour along the Batinah coastline and a visit to the market town of Barka. The Oasis of A' Nakhal and A' Nakhal Fort are the next stops on this adventure of Forts & Wadis. Guest will spend time at the Al Thowarah Hot Springs followed by the Rustaq Fort and Souq (Market). The Al Hazm Fort is the final stop on this tour before returning to Muscat.

COST:

- Travel by Car 4x4: 80 Omani Riyal (OMR) or \$208 USD per person
- By Bus: 40 Omani Riyal (OMR) or \$104 USD per person



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TRAVEL TIPS

SOCIAL CUSTOMS AND NORMS IN OMAN

Oman is a country comprised with rich traditions, heritage and history, a country known to extend a warm welcome to foreign visitors. However, as when visiting any other country, tourists are expected to understand, respect, and follow the cultural norms. When introduced to another person, utilize a simple greeting of hello: "As-salaam alaykum." Physical modes of greeting are also important. Between male strangers the standard form of physical greeting is a handshake. Members of the opposite sex do not generally touch – the best practice is to avoid offering your hand to an Omani of the opposite sex, unless they offer you their hand first.

Dressing appropriately is one of the most important things to respect when visiting Oman. When leaving the hotel, women should wear loose clothing, with arms and shoulders covered. Skirts or dresses, if worn, are usually floor length, but at least beneath the knee. Dress codes for men include similar modesty standards and short male shorts are not acceptable. For both men and women, it helps to dress modestly, especially in rural areas. Another cultural norm revolves around consumption of alcohol. Alcoholic drinks are acceptable within the hotel; however, once outside, alcohol is not only very rare to find, but public consumption is unacceptable.



GETTING A VISA TO ENTER OMAN

Thanks to our partners in the Ministry of Health of Oman, we have a pre-approval process in place for acquiring visas. Once confirmed to attend the conference, conference participants must submit their name, contact information, travel dates, proof of payment of conference registration fee and a copy of their passport (valid for at least 6 months) to Lauren Hollier at Lhollier@accesscommunity.org by no later than January 15th, 2015. In addition to the pre-approval process, all visitors must be prepared to pay any travel related fees at the airport. To see if your nationality requires a visa to Oman, you may enter your country of citizenship and residence at: <https://oman.visahq.com/>

VACCINATIONS

Evidence of yellow fever immunization is required if the traveler enters from an infected area.

TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS

Oman prohibits pornographic materials and firearms. Local law limits each non-Muslim traveler to two bottles of alcohol, purchased from a duty-free shop. Muslim travelers cannot transport alcohol. Items subject to confiscation at the airport because of culturally inappropriate content include, but are not limited to, books, magazines, compact discs, digital video discs, and video and audio cassettes.

CURRENCY RESTRICTIONS

Travelers are required to declare cash amounts exceeding an equivalent of \$20,000 USD or \$7,700 OMR when entering or exiting Oman.

TRANSPORTATION

Taxis with metered rates are easily accessible throughout Muscat, Oman. Tips are acceptable for taxi drivers.

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AL BUSTAN PALACE

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Muttrah, Sultanate of Oman

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SOCIAL PROGRAM

MARCH 2, 2015

- BAIT AL ZUBAIR, MUTTRAH SOUQ, CAVE EVENING TRIP • \$100
Includes dinner at the Cave Restaurant

MARCH 4, 2015

- ACCESS CONFERENCE GALA DINNER (EXTRA TICKET) • \$150

MARCH 5, 2015

- ROYAL OPERA HOUSE MUSCAT • \$120
Includes dinner

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Total registration fee must be paid with form submission.

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