

Pre-Conference Session PRE002 October 12th 9.00am-12pm CEST

Working with Indigenous People in Public Health Settings

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Background:

There are nearly 400 million Indigenous people worldwide with unique cultures and perspectives on health and wellbeing. Health from an Indigenous perspective extends beyond physical and mental health and includes community, cultural and spiritual health. Therefore the impact of colonisation and dispossession of land on Indigenous people have significantly impacted their health and wellbeing.

Indigenous peoples across the globe bear a greater burden of disease than other people. Type 2 diabetes, Ischemic Heart Disease and other NCDs are significant in many Indigenous communities. This is particularly true of New Zealand's Indigenous people Maori, Australians Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples and Indigenous people of North America including Hawaii. In 2020, COVID19 has placed an extra challenge globally and is a major threat to Indigenous communities due to the significant burden of disease.

This an opportunity to discover frameworks for working with and for Indigenous people globally. We will be highlighting the unique knowledge held by Indigenous peoples that can inform public health approaches for a more sustainable future and how to identify and adopt 'best practice' in public health in regards to Indigenous peoples with a focus on COVID 19.

Objectives:

- Participants will learn about Indigenous frameworks for Public Health. Health Promotion, Policy and Research.
- Participants will learn about the context in which Indigenous public health is situated and the importance of addressing Indigenous health inequities and the positive impact this has on all communities
- Participants will gain a greater understanding of the holistic approaches of Indigenous peoples and the value of acknowledging and incorporating this understanding into everyday practice.
- Participants will learn about Indigenous response to COVID

Time (CEST)	Agenda Item
9am	Open – Karakia/ Blessing and Introduction
9.30	Reflective exercise (explanation)
9.35	Adrian and Emma - New Zealand - Indigenous COVID response and Te Tiriti
9.55	Question Time
10.15	Break
10.30	Carmen and Summer - Australia - Indigenous COVID Response and ...
10.40	Question Time
11.00	Barry Lavelly?
11.10	Invite other Indigenous people / Videos from Indigenous colleagues?
11.30	Open floor for questions
11.45	Wrap up -Similarities -Differences
11.55am	Close – Karakia - Blessing

Poll Questions

- Do you identify as an Indigenous person:
Yes
No
- How much experience do you have working with Indigenous people?:
None
Some
A fair bit
A lot
It's my entire work experience
- I think including Indigenous people in decisions being made that impacts them is:
Not important
Somewhat important
Moderately important
Very important
Essential