

Gin African Community Meeting, GES Summit, Cape Town

Date: Friday 15th September 2017

Time: 7:30am to 8:45am

Location: [Meeting Room 2.44-2.45](#)

Site: <http://www.g-i-n.net/regional-communities/g-i-n-africa>

Meeting message: The G-I-N Africa community must take a leadership position in making evidence accessible to all working in health care in all of Africa. The G-I-N Africa community must take concrete actions to make relevant evidence based-recommendations readily available for African health care workers of all types.

G-I-N Africa Committee Members

- Okwen P Mbah (Chair)
- Sue Huckson (G-I-N Board Liaison)
- Tamara Kredo
- Fergus Macbeth

G-I-N Africa Steering Committee Members

- Charles Shey Wiysonge (Affiliation: Cochrane)
- Lawrence Mbuagbaw (Affiliation: McMaster)
- Corinna Schaefer
- Irene Maweu
- Okwen Patrick Mbah

Background: The GIN Africa Community was established in 2014 and received board approval in 2015. Since then, the community has had an average of 8 annual members. The community has collaborated with the Centre for Development of Best Practices for Health (CDBPS), Pan African Society for Cardiology (PASCAR), and International Centre for Allied Health (iCAHE) to index and evaluate all African hypertension guidelines using AGREE II tool. **See attached Terms of reference (ToR) for G-I-N Africa.**

Overarching meeting outcome

- To make G-I-N Africa more active and visible

Specific Objectives

- Take concrete actions
 - *Consider how to make guideline recommendations relevant to all Africa*
 - *Identify and build on existing frameworks for clinical practice guidance suitable for Africa eg SAGE Guidelines Toolkit, MagicAPP, Clinical Audits (JBI Approach), Evidence Based Task Forces etc.*
 - *Fund guideline activities to the benefit of all Africa*
- Increase membership of G-I-N Africa
 - *Have formal elections for community leadership as prescribed by the community ToR*
 - *Make the African space on G-I-N website more active*
 - *Build on current G-I-N projects to the benefit of all Africa*



Agenda

7.30 – Arrival and registration of participants

7.45 – Introduction of GIN Africa (ToRs, Board & Committee members)

8.00 – Summary of activities 2016/2017

8.15 – Discussions

8.30 – Membership drive!