



## Here's what has happened in the last quarter and what's to come!

Welcome to our College newsletter! We are thrilled to share with you the latest developments in our mission.

The Zimbabwe College of Public Health Physicians (ZCPHP) continues to grow, with 72 members as of May 2024. We are expanding our reach with new regional and global branches, enhancing professional development and networking opportunities. Significant progress includes involvement in the ECSA College of Public Health Physicians, active community engagements, and upcoming key events like the Winter Symposium and ZiMA Scientific Congress. We remain committed to supporting public health conversations in Zimbabwe and urge members to stay engaged and participate in these initiatives.

### Membership Update

- **Current Members:** 72 paid up members as of May 2024.
- **Subscription Reminder:** Fees increase from \$80 (before June 30, 2024) to \$100 (July 1 to September 30, 2024).
- **New Registrations:** Encouraging public health specialists to join for professional development and networking.

**Branch Offices:**

Southern Region (0775815132: Dr Sibanda) Global Branch (+41779627213: Dr Mabaya).

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Join us for the Winter Symposium (July 12-13, 2024) to build resilient health systems in Zimbabwe! Enhance your expertise with insights on lifestyle medicine, climate change mitigation, and digital tech. Learn, collaborate, and shape the future of healthcare with global and local experts.

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## ECSCA College of Public Health Physicians

The college remains actively engaged in establishing the ECSCA-College of Public Health Medicine, enabling public physicians to attain or upgrade to the internationally recognized M.Med in Public Health standard. The Executive Committee extends heartfelt gratitude to dedicated members who have driven this initiative forward, notably Drs. Shiva, Makurumidze, Masuka, Chirenda, Masunda, and Chimbetete. Stay tuned for an upcoming one-hour CME session guiding the membership through this journey and outlining the next steps in this development.

## Knowledge Management

- **Recent CME Activities** (Jan-Jun 2024):
  - Cholera and Child Health (Harare)
  - TB (Bulawayo)
- **Upcoming Events:**
  - Winter Symposium (July 12-13, 2024): Building Resilient Health Systems in Zimbabwe.
  - ZiMA Scientific Congress (Aug 28 - Sep 1, 2024):
  - ZCPHP AGM and CME (Sep 28, 2024):
  - Tuesday Evening CMEs: Ongoing key issue discussions.

## Updates from ZiMA NEC

ZiMA NEC has activities lined up to strengthen the mother body's relevance to the membership. ZCPHP continues to remit to ZiMA, making members automatic ZiMA members without paying twice.

### ZiMA has lined up activities to benefit membership:

- **Financial Wellness:** Collaboration with Old Mutual for financial wellness CMEs.
- **Membership Wellness:** Arrangement with CIMAS for discounted medical aid rates for ZiMA members and their dependents.
- **CME Calendar:** Development of a CME calendar for collaboration across medical specialties. Multi-disciplinary CMEs in Pain Management and Polio are upcoming.

ZiMA Annual Scientific Congress: 28 August to 1 September at Rainbow Towers in Harare.

**Theme:** *'Towards Strengthening the Healthcare System in Harare.'* Members are encouraged to submit abstracts to [scientificcommittee@zimazw.org](mailto:scientificcommittee@zimazw.org) by 30 June 2024.

## Reaching Our Communities

- **Website Development:** Domain and Webframe done.
- **Men's Mental Health Day:** Focused on male health workers' mental health.
- **Cholera Campaign:** Fact-checking to correct key knowledge gaps.
- **World AIDS Day:** Highlighted community health workers and affected communities.
- **Antimicrobial Resistance Week:** Collaborated with the Pharmaceutical Society.
- **International Women's Day:** Advocacy for community PrEP availability.
- **World TB Day:** Emphasized screening and treatment importance.

