



# Call for Abstracts

## 7. Community Health Conference

Thursday & Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2024

Improving healthcare, prevention and health promotion for all people in our society, especially marginalised and underserved communities, reducing social inequality and existing access barriers in the healthcare system and enabling health participation is a task for the scientific community and for practitioners as a whole, with its various disciplines, professions and the corresponding skills and opportunities for action.

Community health is dedicated to this task by taking a multi-perspective view of concepts for health promotion, prevention, care and community-specific needs and services. Through inter- and transdisciplinary and participatory approaches, community health opens resources and contributes to reducing social inequalities and discrimination and their impact on health. Community health provides impetus for the further development of health-related processes and structures in the living environments of different communities, which can be defined by specific characteristics such as gender, origin, religion, sexuality, age or disability. The discipline of community health is continuously developing both internationally and nationally and is gaining increasing relevance as a field of research and action in Germany, with the question of what conditions can be created and what concrete activities can be undertaken to promote, maintain and improve the health of these specific communities.

The 7th Community Health Conference of the Department of Community Health (DoCH) will take place on **Thursday and Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2024** at Hochschule für Gesundheit - University of Applied Sciences in Bochum. With the aim of increasing inter- and transdisciplinary exchange and expanding perspectives, innovative approaches to community health will be addressed. **Scientists, practitioners and students are invited to submit contribution proposals in the form of an abstract.** Students are especially invited to present their project, research or final theses. We are

looking forward to receiving poster contributions and short presentations as well as your own focus session/workshop, consisting of 2-4 presentations, including a short concept explaining the procedure and your moderation.

Conference papers can deal with the diverse research fields of community health and diversity. We invite you to assign your contribution to the topics listed here when submitting it (you are welcome to choose more than one subject area):

- Development of community health (methodology, inter- and transdisciplinary cooperation, participatory approaches, professional field development)
- Health services research and care
- Health management
- Mental health and mental wellbeing
- Anti-discrimination, participation and inclusion
- Urban Health
- Health in rural areas
- Health in the operational setting
- Queer and Sexual Health
- Digitalization and health technologies
- Health promotion, prevention and rehabilitation
- Further ideas/topic areas for community health

The programme will be arranged by a programme committee. Publication of the contributions in the form of an abstract volume is planned. Please submit your abstract by **May 15<sup>th</sup> May 2024** via the [online form](https://enketo.hs-gesundheit.de/x/Vfi5MuVr): <https://enketo.hs-gesundheit.de/x/Vfi5MuVr> (max. 2500 characters, incl. spaces).

The participants will cover any costs incurred.

Please direct any questions to: [chkbochum@hs-gesundheit.de](mailto:chkbochum@hs-gesundheit.de)

We look forward to your contributions and an exciting conference!