

AHPCZ NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE EDITOR

Greetings and salutations to all AHPCZ Stakeholders. Welcome to another edition of the AHPCZ Newsletter. 2022 has been a great year with so many developments in as far as AHPCZ is concerned. We have had more practitioners registering, renewing, more private practices opening and more activities for research and innovation. Happy reading!!!!



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OUR VISION AND MISSION

The Vision for Allied Health Practitioners Council of Zimbabwe is to become the leading regulatory authority for health practitioners. The mission follows the vision, in that AHPCZ aims to provide regulatory frameworks and standards of practice to health professions for quality health service delivery in Zimbabwe and beyond.



FIRST AID IN MENTAL HEALTH ZIMBABWE TRAINING (FAIMH)

The FAiMH is a public education course that aims at preserving life, preventing illnesses from getting worse, aiding recovery, and protecting well-being of families and communities. Just as Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training helps a layperson without medical training assist an individual experiencing a heart attack, this three day course helps individuals offer initial assistance to someone experiencing a mental health crisis until appropriate professional help is accessed. Through the learning environment, learners will share experiences, discuss real challenges from their day-to-day work, learn from one another, and grow in their profession. They will learn effective ways of helping someone experiencing a mental health problem until appropriate professional support is obtained.

SOME OF MODULES TAUGHT

- **Common mental health disorders**
- **Mental health action plan**
- **Mental health at the workplace**
- **Ethics and referral pathways**
- **Culture, spirituality and mental illness**
- **Self care**
- **Managing recovery from mental health illness**
- **Field trip**



PROF ZIRIMA LEADING THE DISCUSSION ON THE FIRST AID IN MENTAL HEALTH ZIMBABWE TRAINING



ALLIED HEALTH PRACTITIONERS COUNCIL OF ZIMBABWE
VISION
The leading regulatory authority for health practitioners.
MISSION
The Allied Health Practitioners have aims to provide quality services to the Zimbabwean people.

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PARTICIPANTS PAYING ATTENTION AT THE FIRST AID IN MENTAL HEALTH ZIMBABWE TRAINING



AHPCZ BEST STUDENT AWARD



In a bid to foster research, creativity and innovation, AHPCZ as the regulator appreciates the best student from each graduating class of AHPCZ Accredited qualifications annually. These 'soon to be' professionals represent the future of AHPCZ professionals and should be cherished. Congratulations to all who came first and received the AHPCZ Award!!!!

Methembe Moyo (centre) won AHPCZ Best Student Award recipient for Bsc Applied Physics from @nustzim receives award from Ms Mapfumo(left) with mother looking on (right)

ZIMBABWE AGRICULTURAL SHOW



AHPCZ participated in the Agricultural show where we managed to meet with the public. We managed to share information about protecting the public and the public rights when seeking medical help from Allied Practitioners. Council also raised awareness on its mandate of guiding the professions; how we assist in the promotion of the health of the population of Zimbabwe through regulating, controlling, supervising all matters affecting training, registration, practice and enforcing ethics and discipline amongst allied health practitioners.

LONG SERVING AWARD



Ms T. Mateka (centre) awarded long serving certificate from Miss Ratidzai Hofisi (chairperson) who is on the left side and D.r Zirima (right)

CREDIT WHEN ITS DUE. On the 30th of June 2022 AHPCZ , honored its longest serving member Miss Telmore Tinashe Mateka. Much was said in appreciation of the dedication and efforts she has spent as part of the AHPCZ Secretariat. Miss Mateka is in charge of Registrations and Education at AHPCZ and has embraced the AHPCZ values of professionalism, accountability, integrity, efficiency and teamwork to assist in attaining the objectives of Council.

INSPECTIONS



AHPCZ as the regulator conducts 2 types of inspections. The first one is when a new private institution is to be opened and the second type is to enforce compliance. In the latter Secretariat would want to satisfy that practitioners are practising with valid practising certificates and practising in registered institutions as prescribed by the Act in sections 92 and 99 respectively of the Health Professions Act Chapter 27:19.



Practitioners should always adhere to the Act and expect a visit from AHPCZ at their workplace at anytime during the year. The year 2022 has also resulted in 12 Ultrasound units, 22 Xray units, 7 Ambulance services, 4 Counselling units and 2 Psychology units approved to operate.



CONGRATULATIONS MAKOROKOTO AMHLOPE!

Allied Health Practitioners Council of Zimbabwe would like to congratulate one of its Vice Chancellor Dr. Herbert Zirima for being promoted to Associate Professor by Great Zimbabwe University. Dr. Herbert Zirima is a Professor of Psychology with research interests in the areas of subjective well-being, rehabilitation psychology, psychometrics and health psychology.



Zimbabwe Journal of Health Sciences

Great news!! The AHPCZ's Journal, the Zimbabwe Journal of Health Sciences published Volume 2 Issue 1 in September 2022(ISSN:2791-0148). The Journal consists of articles from various professions. Readers can enjoy the articles by visiting <https://ahpcz.co.zw/publication/journals>



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Ambulance service regulations

In pursuit of AHPCZ mission of providing regulatory frameworks and standards of practice to health professionals for quality healthcare delivery in Zimbabwe, AHPCZ has held key stakeholders workshops in the Paramedics profession to come up with standard regulations. Pertinent Ambulance service matters were discussed and Secretariat together with all the necessary stakeholders are tirelessly working to come up with standard regulations for the Paramedics profession.



AHPCZ's Representative in the Board for Paramedics, Ms D Muchirahondo leads proceedings at a discussion for Ambulance service regulations.

2023 CPD Points

"Continuing Professional Development (CPD) is the means by which members of the profession broaden the expertise required in their professional lives. This serves to ensure that both academic and practical qualifications do not become obsolete and redundant"

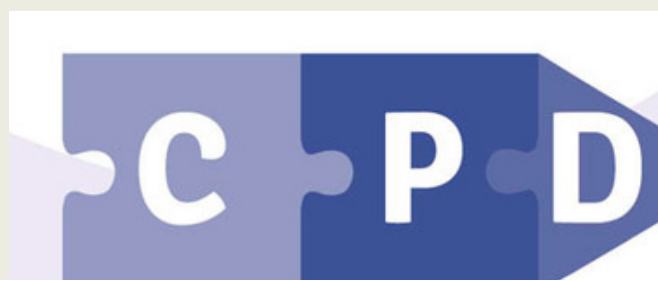
CPD POINTS ARE MANDATORY FOR RENEWAL!

REQUIRED CPD POINTS FOR YEAR 2023 RENEWAL

Psychologists	50
Clinical Social Workers	50
Radiographers	50
Counsellors And Family Therapists	50
Ultra-sonographers	50
Intern Psychologists	40
Ambulance Technician	30
Emergency Medical Technicians	30
Hospital Food Services Supervisors	30
Paramedics	30
X-Ray Operators	25
Dieticians	15
Nutritionists	12
Health Education Promotion Officers	12

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Attention Practitioners !
Please note that it is a serious offence to falsify the CPD Booklet. Any practitioner caught will be dealt with accordingly!

Council meets minister



From left to right, Mr Mudede(Clinical Social Workers and Counsellors), Mr Mangwenzi(Multi disciplines), Mr Gremu(HFSS), Ms Hofisi(Chairperson and Radiography), Hon Vice President and Minister of Health and Child Care C.G.Chiwenga

As prescribed by section 34 of the Health Professions Act, section (1)(d) and (e) part of the functions of Council are:

(d) to advise the Minister on any matter affecting the profession or calling of any allied health practitioner, and

(e)to communicate to the Minister information matters of public importance acquired by the Council in the performance of its functions under this Act.

Council members therefore as part of the statutes and to secure the future of regulation of Health Practitioners in Zimbabwe met the Vice President of the Republic of Zimbabwe and Minister of Health and Child Care Honorable Constatine Guvheya Chiwenga at Kaguvi building on the 7th of November 2023. Amongst matters discussed where the future of health professions and regulation, ethics and how to foster research and innovation in the health sector.

Dear Radiographer

Kindly note that AHPCZ now recognizes Echocardiography as an additional specialization. All those who have the qualification should submit it for registration by the 31st of January 2023 and it has to be factored on your practicing certificate.

It will therefore be illegal to practice Echocardiography without registration. All those who intend to train in the program have to submit the program for assessment to avoid being disqualified for registration after training.



First Aid in Mental Health Zimbabwe Training



**ALLIED HEALTH
PRACTITIONERS
COUNCIL OF ZIMBABWE**

WHAT IS IT?

An evidence-based training course designed to give members of the public key skills to help someone who might be developing a mental health problem or experiencing a mental health crisis.

WHO SHOULD TAKE IT?

- ✓ Corporates
- ✓ Law Enforcement Officers
- ✓ Teachers & Faith Leaders
- ✓ Health Practitioners, etc

VENUE: TBA

DATE: 1-3 February 2023

FEE: USD\$ 100

Course taught by:

**REGISTERED COUNSELLORS
& PSYCHOLOGISTS**



**Registration Deadline
27 January 2023**

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