

## THE 10<sup>TH</sup> WORLD CONGRESS ASIAN PSYCHIATRY (WCAP)

Theme : Navigating Mental Health-Physical Comorbidity with Family & Community Support

DEC 5-7, 2024 | Hotel Prime Plaza Sanur - Bali - Indonesia

## **Call For Proposals**

The 10<sup>th</sup> World Congress of Asian Psychiatry organized by Asian Federation of Psychiatric Association (AFPA) will take place in person, in Bali, Indonesia. The event will be conducted from 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> of December 2024. Symposia are welcomed by AFPA members and are encouraged to be a collaboration of multinationalism.

This year theme is Navigating Mental Health – Physical Comorbidity with Family & Community Support. Psychiatrists play a crucial role in managing psychiatric conditions, particularly when they coexist with physical comorbidities. By addressing both aspects comprehensively, psychiatrists can provide holistic care, ensuring that patients receive appropriate treatment for their mental health while also managing any associated physical ailments.

It is important to foster a collaborative approach to address the diverse needs of individuals with complex health conditions. Thus, the role of psychiatrists in managing psychiatric conditions alongside physical comorbidities is indispensable for promoting optimal health and quality of life. However, to achieve these professionals need to engage with both family and community support networks.

Family and community support play significant roles in assisting individuals with mental illness and physical comorbidities. Families offer emotional support, encouragement, and practical assistance in daily tasks, medication adherence, and attending medical appointments. Their understanding and acceptance help reduce stigma and create a nurturing environment crucial for recovery. In the community, support groups, educational programs, and outreach initiatives provide valuable resources and opportunities for social connection. Community involvement fosters inclusion, reduces isolation, and promotes access to essential services and information.

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Recognizing the importance, we invited all experts to share their perspectives through the congress symposias, expert meetings, workshops. The track of presentations are divided into:

- 1) Human rights of mental patients (unchain movement)
- 2) Early intervention & relapse prevention
- 3) Comorbidity in psychiatric illness
- 4) Peer & community support in psychiatric rehabilitation
- 5) Disaster mental health
- 6) Climate change and mental health
- 7) Suicide prevention
- 8) Prevention of drug abuse
- 9) Internet Addiction
- 10) Role of psychiatrists to promote peace

There are 17 scientific sessions that will be open to contribution from all representative's country, which will take format as

No.	Format	Duration	Short Description
	(session available)	(in minutes)	
1.	Symposia (17)	60	Parallel session with one main topic, divided into three presentations covering different
			perspectives.
2.	Workshop (3)	60	A parallel session with one main practical topic may consist of 1-2 presentations and inviting the audience to have close interactions with the speakers.
3.	Expert Meeting (2)	90	Single session for several experts to cover in- depth discussion regarding one topic.

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## **Rules for Submission:**

Deadline for proposal submission is 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

Please read the requirements before submitting proposals :

- A brief description of the session (max. 250 words) for evaluation purposes describing who will participate in the scientific session and the themes they will address.
- The composition is limited to three (3) speakers for symposium and workshop, four (4) speakers in expert meeting, including the chairperson.
- At least two people proposed to participate in the symposium/workshop/expert meeting (as speakers and the chairpersons) should be from different countries and/or zones. Session which have **more** than two people from the same country and/or zone will not be accepted.
- For a symposium/workshop/expert meeting, it is encouraged to have balance gender and level of expertise involvement.
- The proposer should receive the acceptance of every speaker and chair in their session before submission.
- Each session submission should state how their presentation covers (or not) the main theme of the event
- Proposal is submitted via congress website <u>www.10thwcap-afpa.com</u>
- All proposals would be curated and reviewed regarding suitability to the Congress' theme by Scientific Committee.
- Only the accepted proposer will receive notification of the final Scientific Committee decision, and he/she is responsible to communicate the result to all other chairs and speakers.
- For all speakers of accepted session will get a free event registration, however travel and accommodation will be borne by each speaker

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