



Webinars on Police and Public Health in African Countries Invitation

Optimum community safety and wellbeing comes from effective partnerships between two sectors that do not have a strong or happy history of working together: law enforcement, especially police and prosecutors, and public health, especially in its alliances with affected communities. The [Global LEPH Association](#) is building an African Regional Law Enforcement and Public Health Association to raise awareness of the importance of the partnership and promote networking and sharing of experience across African countries.

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First webinar series: Police and the Covid-19 epidemic in African countries

Nowhere is the role of police in public health more apparent or important than in the current Covid-19 epidemic. GLEPHA is holding a series of webinars on aspects of policing and public health, the first in the series being on the police role in the pandemic.

For police, it would be a very good idea for small groups, of 3-5 police colleagues, to watch and participate together, so they can discuss and feedback. This of course may not be possible, because of the coronavirus epidemic.

Date: Friday 7 August 2020

Times: 9:00 a.m. in Sierra Leone and Ghana, 10:00 a.m. UK and Nigeria, 11:00 a.m. Maputo and Johannesburg, 12:00 noon. Comoros, Kenya and Uganda, 13:00 p.m. Seychelles, and 7:00 p.m. in Sydney

Participants for the webinars must be registered.

Link to register: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3887842738047608843>

Upon registration, participants will receive an email with the link to join the webinar, as well as reminder emails 1 hour and 1 day before the webinar. A recording of the event will be published afterwards on the GLEPHA website.

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WEBINAR 1: Friday 7th August 2020

Policing the Covid19 Pandemic in Africa: challenges and opportunities *Experience of police in the Covid-19 epidemic: Reports from Africa and elsewhere*

Session format

- Speakers, then discussion and Q&A
- Questions can be put in the chat box

Moderator: Professor Karl Roberts, Professor of Policing and Criminal Justice at the University of Western Sydney, Consultant to the World Health Organisation on police and pandemics

Presentations:

1. Introduction to GLEPHA and the formation of an African LEPH (2mins)
 - **Prof Nick Crofts**
2. Introduction to the Webinar and speakers
 - **Prof Karl Roberts**
3. The Nigerian police experience and guidance with the Covid-19 epidemic (15mins)
 - **DCP Olubunmi Ogunsanwo** - Nigeria Police Force Medical Officer
 - **Dr. Efunsole Sowemimo** - Commissioner of Police rtd
4. The COVID situation in Ghana
 - **Assistant Commissioner Jones Blantari** (10mins)
5. Covid-19 and response in Uganda (10mins)
 - **Commissioner Tinka Zarugaba**
6. Transition from lockdown and future of policing
 - **Professor Karl Roberts**

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