



Dr. Patrick Chege Memorial Research Award for Best Poster 2023 Guidelines

The Besroure Centre for Global Family Medicine (Besroure Centre) hosts the Dr. Patrick Chege Memorial Research Award Poster Presentations at the College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC) Family Medicine Forum (FMF).

The Besroure Centre is pleased to have renamed this annual research competition in honour of the late Dr. Patrick Chege, a family physician who led the development of family medicine in Kenya. Dr. Chege was one of the first Family Medicine trained physicians in Kenya, finishing in 2008. He founded the Kenya Association of Family Physicians and began serving as the Head of the Family Medicine Department at Moi University, in Eldoret Kenya in 2012. Dr. Chege was a highly regarded partner of the Besroure community.

Date

The annual Besroure Sessions being held in person at FMF: November 8 to 11, 2023, in Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

Purpose

To provide the Besroure Centre with a peer-reviewed sounding board for potential partnerships and to encourage scholarly exchange between Besroure Centre partners.

Goals

- To encourage scholarly dialogue, collaboration, and exchange among participants
- To publish accepted abstracts in the Besroure Centre Forum's scientific program

Eligibility

- Clinical research, program evaluation/quality improvement, and medical education projects are encouraged, provided a scholarly approach is taken. The Besroure Centre's Scientific Committee takes an inclusive view of research, but scientific rigour is expected.
- Projects by individuals from single institutions are accepted. However, preference is given to projects involving collaboration among Besroure Centre partners, with an emphasis on encouraging collaboration among individuals from high-income countries and low- to middle-income countries.

Registration

FMF registration of at least one presenting author (not necessarily first author) is required in order to present an abstract.

Submission and deadline

Submit your abstract to besroure@cfpc.ca by Friday, April 21, 2023. If you require an extension, please contact the Besroure Centre's Scientific Committee at besroure@cfpc.ca as early as possible.

Abstract instructions

- Default language:** Abstracts must be submitted in English.
- Title:** Maximum word count is 15 words. Include a concise title for your poster. If your project is not yet complete at the time when you submit your abstract, note "In progress" in parentheses after your title.
- Authorship:** All authors should be listed in the order you will list them on your poster so they can be published appropriately in the program. Add an asterisk (*) after the relevant name(s) to indicate who will present the poster at the Besroure Forum. Multiple presenters are encouraged. All authors should list their primary academic institution affiliations on the abstract and poster, including the country for international participants.
- Description:** Maximum length is 350 words (not including the title and authors list)
- Format:** Submit document in Microsoft Word format. PDF and Power Point formats are not acceptable.
- Headings:** Use headings that are appropriate for your project. For example, if your submission is a research poster, consider Context, Objective, Design, Participants, Intervention, Outcome, Measures, Results, Conclusions. If your submission is a program evaluation, quality improvement project, or medical education project, you may choose alternative headings suitable to your work.

Completed poster dimensions (to be completed after abstract acceptance)

- Your finished poster should measure no more than 1.75 metres wide x 1 metre high.

Judging and awards

Posters will be judged by a panel of the presenters' peers.

- **Best Poster award:** This award will be recognized with a certificate and prize. Certificates will be provided to all authors listed on the winning poster. The first author will be invited to attend as a keynote speaker at the following year's forum to present at the Besroure Centre sessions. If the first author is from a high-income country, the keynote invitation will also be extended to the first author listed from a low- or middle-income country to co-present their project.

The prize will include financial support toward the following year's travel to present the keynote (if it is an in-person event). The extent and allocation of travel funding may vary from year to year as resources permit and with consideration given to presenters' needs and the order of authorship.

- **Second Place award:** This award will be recognized with certificates for all authors listed on the poster.
- **Delegate's Choice Award:** This award will be recognized with a certificate to all authors listed on the poster.

Award eligibility

Posters that include the work of Besroul Centre partners from low- or middle-income countries will be prioritized in consideration for the Best and Second Place poster awards. Posters presenting the work of partners from only high-income countries are eligible for the Delegates' Choice Award only.

Poster judges are invited to submit abstracts and present posters. However, their posters are eligible only for the Delegates' Choice Award.

Presenter information

Only the corresponding author (who is encouraged to be the primary presenter) will receive all correspondence related to the submitted abstract. It is the responsibility of the corresponding author to share any information received from the Besroul Centre Scientific Committee related to the abstract submission with co-presenters/co-authors.

Questions

If you have any questions about how to write an abstract or poster presentation, the Besroul Centre's Scientific Committee is available via the email addresses provided below for information or advice. Committee members are also available to provide constructive feedback on abstracts.

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