

Nutrition response to COVID-19 and NCDs

June 2022 | Virtual Platform: ZOOM Second Announcement

Important Dates

Conference:

21-22 June 2022

Registration & Abstract submission:

27 April 2022

Abstract submission closed:

22 May 2022

29 May 2022 (extended)

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

You are invited to submit abstracts for presentation in the free paper presentation or poster sessions of the Conference. Abstracts can be in any of the symposia titles or any relevant topic in food and nutrition. Please note that we are utilising ONLINE ABSTRACT SUBMISSION and registration system and abstract submission will be available from 27 April onwards and closed by 22 May 2022. Abstracts (200-300 words in MS Word format) must follow exactly the prescribed format. Details of the Conference, submission and acceptance status will be updated from time to time through the NSM Conference's official website. All poster presenters are also encouraged to prepare a 3-min video for uploading with the poster.

About The CONFERENCE

The COVID-19 pandemic over the past 2 years has changed the lives of people around the world, including Malaysia, causing unprecedented challenge to livelihood, public health, food systems and the work environment. Amidst these difficulties, it is even more important to maintain a healthy lifestyle, including healthy nutrition, as the pandemic has revealed the importance of strong immune system to fight against the virus.

However, the pandemic has imposed a new set of challenges for the population to maintain optimal nutrition, particularly the most vulnerable groups, including young children, pregnant and lactating women, older persons and disadvantaged families. The threat of food insecurity among the vulnerable groups would inevitably make them more susceptible to undernutrition. Besides, dietary patterns could have also worsened, driven by stress, fear and anxiety experienced during the pandemic. At the same time, the country is still struggling with the

high prevalence of noncommunicable diseases (NCDs), in which unhealthy diets and sedentary lifestyle are major drivers, affecting wide segments of the population. It is known that people living with NCDs are more at risk of severe consequences from COVID-19.

Scaling up efforts to prevent all forms of malnutrition, as well as making available data in a timely manner to help identify emerging nutritional issues and subsequent intervention especially in addressing the nutritional needs of the populations amid COVID-19 is vital. There is an urgency to share evidence, emerging data and practical insights

from nutrition experiences, adaptations, programmes & research. These can be utilised to support stakeholders in implementing effective policies and programmes to support better

nutrition outcomes during the COVID-19 pandemic and the continued fight against NCDs.

The theme of the 37th NSM Annual Scientific Conference underscores the importance of nutrition as an integral part of the nation's fight against health threats, particularly COVID-19 response and recovery strategies. This conference aims to serve as a platform for all stakeholders to productively exchange and discuss the nutrition-COVID-19 interplay i.e. the effects of the pandemic on nutritional consequences, and nutritional perspectives for the mitigation of COVID-19.



WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Nutritionists in public and private sectors
- Dietitians in public and private sectors
- Nutrition researchers in academic and research organisations
- Ministry of Health representatives involved in COVID-19 and NCD nutrition response and activities
- Nutrition undergraduates/postgraduate students
- Healthcare professionals

	CONFERENCE DAY 1 (21 JUNE 2022)		
Time	Programme		
0830	Signing on to Zoom Platform		
0900-1000	Opening & Award of NSM prizes Speech and official opening by President, Nutrition Society of Malaysia • Presentation of NSM Undergraduate and Postgraduate Prizes • Presentation of NSM Publication Prizes • Fellows of NSM Awards		
1000-1045	Keynote Lecture		
	Nutrition interventions to combat NCDs and COVID-19 health threats – experiences in Japan Prof Dr Hisanori Kato, University of Tokyo		
1045-1130	Break / E-poster Viewing / Exhibitor Page Viewing		
1130-1230	Symposium 1: Maternal, Infant and Child Nutrition		
	Nutritional status and changes in dietary habits during COVID-19 pandemic among children aged 0.5 to 12.9 years: Key findings from SEANUTS II Malaysia Prof Dr Poh Bee Koon, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia		
	Maternal infant nutrition: Risk factors and interventions in Malaysia Prof Dr Hamid Jan Jan Mohamad, Universiti Sains Malaysia		
1230-1330	Lunch Break / E-poster Viewing / Exhibitor Page Viewing		
1330-1415	Invited Lecture 1 Sponsored by Kerry Ingredients		
	Not all yeast beta glucans are the same - A deeper look into Wellmune's unique differentiating molecular structure Dr Sonja Nodland, Research Development and Application, Kerry		
	BC30 - A unique spore-forming probiotics that survives and thrives Ms Genny Tan, Applied Heath & Nutrition Business Development, Kerry		
1415-1510	Invited Lecture 2 Sponsored by Beneo Institute		
	Nutrition response to COVID-19 and NCDs: Unlocking nutritional tools for gut microbiota support and low blood glucose profiles Ms Goh Peen Ern, Nutrition Communication Asia Pacific, BENEO-Institute/BENEO Asia Pacific Pte Ltd		
1500-1600	Young Researchers' Symposium		
1600-1620	E-poster Viewing / Exhibitor Page Viewing		
1620-1740	Free Paper Presentation 1		
1740	End of Day 1		

CONFERENCE DAY 2 (22 JUNE 2022)			
Time	Programme		
0845	Signing on to Zoom Platform		
0900-1000	Free Paper Presentation 2		
1000-1045	Invited Lecture 3 Sponsored by Herbalife Nutrition		
	Functional role of nutrition in addressing NCD Prof Dr Zhaoping Li, Division of Clinical Nutrition, David Geffen School of Medicine, UCLA		
1045-1115	Break / E-poster Viewing / Exhibitor Page Viewing		
1115-1215	Symposum 2: Nutritional Concerns of Older Persons		
	Clinical experiences of a geriatrician Dr Alan Ch'ng Swee Hock, Department of Medicine, Seberang Jaya Hospital, Penang		
	Ageing with resilience: The WE-RISE multidomain intervention Ms Resshaya Roobini Murukesu, Center for Healthy Ageing and Wellness, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia		
1215-1315	Lunch Break / E-poster Viewing / Exhibitor Page Viewing		
1315-1400	Invited Lecture 4 TBD		
1400-1500	Symposium 3: Learnings from Virtual Nutrition Activities		
	Better Health Programme – A digital, community-based intervention to reduce NCD risks in a B40 community Dr Lim Shiang Cheng, Better Health Programme Malaysia, RTI International Malaysia		
	Online promotion of healthy nutrition during the COVID-19 pandemic Ms Gui Shir Ley, State Health Department WP Labuan		
1500-1530	E-poster Viewing / Exhibitor Page Viewing		
1530-1630	Symposium 4: Physical Activity and Sedentary Behaviour		
	Malaysian Active Kids Report Card 2022 – How do we fare? Assoc Prof Dr Mohd Razif Shahril, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia		
	Review of methodologies for measurement of physical activity Prof Dr Michael Chia Yong Hwa, National Institute of Education, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore		
1630	Poster Finalists Presentation		
	Prize Giving and Closing Ceremony		
1700	End of Conference		

POST-CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

23 JUNE 2022			
Time	Programme		
Briefing Session on Registration of Allied Health Profession Practitioners for AHP Act 774: Nutritionists			
1015	Participants login*		
1030	Briefing by Dr Tee E Siong, Member, Malaysian Allied Health Profession Council (MAHPC), supported by Allied Health Sciences Division, Ministry of Health Malaysia, Secretariat of MAHPC		
1130	Questions and Answer		
1200	Session end		

^{*} Session is open to all conference participants and intending practitioners; separate registration required and will be announced in NSM website: https://nutriweb.org.my

Registration Details

	Category	Amount
Malaysians	NSM Members and postgraduate students	RM55
	Non-NSM Members	RM200
	Undergraduate Students	FREE
Non-Malaysians		RM200

- All members (except Life members) must have paid up their annual membership fees, including that for 2022, to be eligible to attend at NSM member rate.
- Postgraduate students must be members of NSM to attend at member rate. Contact NSM Hon Secretary if you are not an NSM member (secretary@nutriweb.org.my)
- Final year undergraduate students of nutrition programmes in local universities will be invited through their respective Heads of Departments to participate in the Conference with no registration fee

HRDF: NSM intends to apply to HRD Corp to obtain permission to enable eligible participants to apply for claims. Further details will be announced.

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