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DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR

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FOR : ALL UNDERSECRETARIES AND ASSISTANT SECRETARIES OF HEALTH; DIRECTORS OF BUREAUS, SERVICES AND CENTERS FOR HEALTH DEVELOPMENT; MEDICAL CENTER CHIEFS AND CHIEFS OF HOSPITALS, SANITARIA AND INSTITUTES, TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION CENTERS; HEADS OF DOH ATTACHED AGENCIES; MINISTER OF HEALTH - BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO; AND ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

SUBJECT : Call for Abstracts for Research Presentation during the Philippine Cancer Center - National Cancer Research Forum in June 2025

I. BACKGROUND

The Department of Health (DOH) - Philippine Cancer Center (PCC) is organizing the National Cancer Research Forum (NCRF) 2025, scheduled for June 2025. This event aims to bring together leading cancer researchers, clinicians, policymakers, and other stakeholders to discuss the latest advancements in cancer control, research, and treatment. The Forum will provide a platform for the exchange of knowledge and best practices to improve cancer prevention, early detection, and management in the country.

As part of the NCRF, the PCC is inviting the submission of completed cancer-related research abstracts for oral and poster presentations. The goal is to showcase cutting-edge research, foster collaboration, and promote innovation in cancer care and control.

II. OBJECTIVES

This circular is issued to call for abstracts of research studies aligned to the PCC National Cancer Research Agenda 2024-2028 topics:

- A. Cancer Outcomes
- B. Health Systems Strengthening
- C. Health Promotion, Prevention, and Early Detection
- D. Data Management and Sharing
- E. Epidemiological Research on Cancer Burden
- F. Multidisciplinary and Holistic Care
- G. Palliative and Survivorship Care
- H. Human Resources for Health
- I. Technological Innovations and Interventions
- J. Traditional, Complementary and Integrative Medicine
- K. Personalized Medicine and Multi-omics Research
- L. Cancer Biology

Please access tinyurl.com/NCRF2025Topics for further details of the covered topics.

III. GENERAL GUIDELINES

A. Eligibility

Researchers, healthcare professionals, academicians, students, and other stakeholders from public and private sectors involved in cancer research are encouraged to submit their abstracts.

B. Abstract Submission

Interested researchers may access the link tinyurl.com/NCRF2025Guide to read the comprehensive guidelines of the PCC-NCRF 2025 abstract submission. All research abstracts must be submitted to the PCC via Google Form which is accessible through the link tinyurl.com/NCRF2025Abstracts on or before February 28, 2025

C. Selection Criteria:

Abstracts will be evaluated based on scientific rigor, relevance and impact, technical soundness, innovation, and writing style. Full details of criteria can be viewed in the complete guidelines link above. Selected abstracts for presentation will be notified by March 28, 2025.


IV. FORUM DETAILS

The PCC-NCRF 2025 will have the theme “*From Insight to Impact: The Significance of Research on the Fight Against Cancer.*” It will be conducted in June 2025 within Metro Manila (exact dates and venue to be announced at a later date). Accommodations will be provided to shortlisted research presenters.

For further inquiries regarding the submission of abstracts, please contact the PCC Cancer Control Research Division through email at ccrd@doh.gov.ph or telephone number at 8995-3846 local 402.

Dissemination of the information to all concerned is hereby requested.

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