



INFORMATION PACKAGE

Pacific Islands Health Research Symposium

PIHRS 2026

“Accelerating SDG 3 in the Pacific: Research, Accountability and Impact toward Vision 2050”



31 August - 4 September 2026



Fiji National University, Nasinu Campus, Suva Fiji

Register Now!



3 DAY PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

DAY 1 - MON 31 AUG

SDG 3 Acceleration & Health Systems

- Official Opening Ceremony
- Keynote: SDG 3 Progress & Gaps
- High-Level Ministerial Panel
- Parallel Sessions - Rounds 1 & 2
- Networking Reception

DAY 2 - TUE 1 SEP

Health Challenges & Systems Intergration

- Keynote: Disease Prevention & Equity
- Panel: From Research to Policy
- Parallel Sessions: Rounds 1 & 2
- Poster Presentations & Judging
- PIHRS Networking Dinner

DAY 3 - WED 2 SEP

Evidence - Policy - Impact

- Keynote: Financing & Scaling Impact
- Ministerial Accountability Panel
- SDG 3 Rapid - Fire Presentations
- Research Interest Group Sessions
- PIHRS Awards & Closing Ceremony

THEMATIC TRACKS

- SDG 3 - All 13 Targets
- Communicable Diseases (HIV, TB & more)
- NCDs & Mental Health
- Climate & Planetary Health
- Digital Health & Data Innovation
- Implementation Science & Policy Translation
- Indigenous Knowledge & Community Research
- Health Systems, Workforce & Education

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- Researchers & Academics
- Regional & Development Partners
- Clinicians & Health Workers
- Ministry of Health Officials
- WHO | SPC | NGOs

SUBMIT YOUR ABSTRACT
Open: 13 April
Closes: 31 July 2026

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS OPEN

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SIDE EVENT

STRATEGIC HIGH-LEVEL DIALOGUES

Research Meets Policy

Two expert dialogues linking Pacific Health Research directly to programming redesign, national policy and regional accountability

DATE | TIME:
3 Sept | 830am - 1pm

VENUE:
FNU NASINU CAMPUS

FORMAT:
Invitation | Open Registration

WORKSHOP 1: GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

01

GBV Dialogue: Reframing the National Response

HIGH-LEVEL

Theme: Engaging iTaukei Men, Institutional Systems

Key Focus Areas;

- Are our current GBV response frameworks effective?
- Engaging iTaukei men as key stakeholders
- Role of Vanua, marriage systems & Masculinity norms
- data gaps on perpetrators & systems response

Participants;

- Great Council of Chiefs Representatives
- Ministry of Women, Children & Poverty Alleviation
- FWCC, FWRM & Feminists organisations
- Faith-based & Civil Society Organisations

LEAD: SPACE Project

Expected Outputs: Policy dialogue summary, National GBV response design recommendations, Potential Concept Note for follow-up research

WORKSHOP 2: TUBERCULOSIS PROGRAMME

02

TB Dialogue: Sustaining Impact In TB Control

HIGH-LEVEL

Theme: Lessons in Transition, Integration and Resilience in Fiji. Fiji has demonstrated strong success in TB control in the past, including high treatment success rates. As health systems evolve and external support transitions, this dialogue reflects on lessons learned and identifies practical pathways to sustain and improve TB outcomes.

Key Focus Areas;

- Lessons from past TB programme success
- Navigating health systems transitions & donor changes
- Integration with HIV, NCDs & social determinants
- Practical pathways to sustain & improve outcomes

Key Contributors

- National TB Programme (NTP)
- CDRC Laboratory Team
- MoH TB Programme
- WHO / Global Fund & Regional TB Stakeholders

LEAD: CDRC & MoH TB

Expected Outputs: Strengthened partnerships for TB Control, Practical recommendations for sustaining TB outcomes, Potential framework for continued programme improvement

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WRITING INTENSIVES

RESEARCH CAPACITY BUILDING

WRITE . PUBLISH . FUND

Intensive writing workshops to turn your Pacific Health Research into submitted manuscripts, funded proposals and peer networks in just 1.5 days.

START
 **Thur 3 Sep**
2pm

FINISH
 **Fri 4 Sep**
4pm

LOCATION
 **FNU Nasinu**
Campus

EACH STREAM
 **25-30**
Participants

FOUR WRITING STREAM - CHHOSE YOUR TRACK

STREAM 1

Manuscript Writing

- Journal targeting & Scope matching
- Structuring arguments for reviewers
- Abstract & Introduction masterclass
- Navigating peer review

OUTPUT: Manuscript ready for Journal submission

STREAM 2

Concept Note Writing

- Problem framing & needs analysis
- Theory of change development
- Donor alignment & Positioning
- Clear, compelling narrative

OUTPUT: Concept Note ready for funding calls

STREAM 3

Proposal Writing

- Methodology design & articulation
- Budget development & justification
- Partnership & consortium framing
- Workplan & logical framework

OUTPUT: Full research proposal drafted

STREAM 4

Grant Proposal Writing

- Competitive funding landscape
- Review criteria & scoring
- Differential & innovation framing
- Peer critique & proposal refinement

OUTPUT: Grant proposal refined & near-ready

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- Researchers with data to publish
- Anyone with a draft needing help
- Post-graduate & early career researchers
- NGOs & Health Staff

SECURE YOUR STREAM PLACE

Limited to 25-30 participants per stream.



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*Talanoa for Transformation:
Leadership, Accountability & the Future of Health
in the Pacific*

You are warmly invited to join fellow reserachers, policymakers, clinicians & partners from across the Pacific for an elegant evening of **connection, celebration and conversation** at the heart of PIHRS 2026. This is the premier networking occasion of the Symposium- a moment to forge partnerships that will shape **Pacific health for a generation**.



**1st September
2026**



6:30pm



**Smart Casual/
Pacific Formal**



**Grand Pacific Hotel,
Suva, Fiji**

Welcome Reception

Pre-dinner drinks & canapes with informal networking

Formal Dinner

Pacific-inspired cuisine at the Grand Pacific Hotel

Talanoa Panels

Two convened panels woven through the eveing programme

Connections

Researchers, ministers, WHO & regional partners

Talanoa Panels

Talanoa Panel One

Leadership & Accountability in Pacific Health

A candid dailogue with senior health leaders on what it takes to drive meaningful, lasting chnage across Pacific health systems

Talanoa Panel Two

The Future of Health in the Pacific Research, Vision & 2050

Forward-looking conversation on the evidence, partnerships & collective will needed to achieve the Blue Pacific 2050 health vision

Attendance by Invitation | Registration

Places are limited. Dinner is included in the full Symposium registration. Additional seats available - Contact FIPHR to reserve your place.

**RSVP &
Register**

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Symposium Date:

Date: **2 – 4 September 2026**

Time:

Time: **8:00 am – 4:30 pm FJT**

Symposium Theme:

This year's symposium theme is "**Accelerating SDG 3 in the Pacific: Research Accountability and Impact towards Vision 2050**".

Sub-Themes:

1. Non-communicable diseases
2. Communicable diseases
3. Health Systems & Health Policy
4. Sexual & Reproductive Health
5. Planetary Health

Registration:

Registration for PIHRS 2026 is now available. To register, please click on the "PIHRS Registration 2026" tab on the FNU website at <https://www.fnu.ac.fj/college-of-medicine/research-cmnhs/pihrs/>.

Registration fee:

The PIHRS Registration package for the 3-day conference is detailed below.

| PIHRS 2026 Registration Fees by Categories | |
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| Category | Registration Fee (FJD) |
| Students: | |
| FNU | 20 |
| Non-FNU Local/Pacific Regional | 50 |
| Non-FNU International | 75 |
| FNU Staff | 50 |
| FSM/FNU Alumni | 50 |
| Other Participants: | |
| Non-FNU Local/Pacific Regional | 100 |
| Non-FNU International | 150 |

Bank Details for payments:

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|------------------------|--|
| Account Name: | Fiji National University – Research Fund Account |
| Account number: | 8303257 |
| Bank Name: | Bank of South Pacific |



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|-------------------------|---|
| Branch: | BSP Samabula |
| Currency: | FJD |
| BSB Code: | 0069-004 |
| Swift Code: | BOSPFJFJ |
| Credit card link | https://www.fnu.ac.fj/pay/ |
| Narration* | PIHRS26 & (Full Name) |

*** For narration, please type in PIHRS26 with your full name, in 35 characters or less**

Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Points:

Continuing Professional Development Certificates will be provided to all registered participants, at a rate of roughly two (2) CPD points per hour of presentations attended, equivalent to 10 CPD points for a whole day's attendance. This equates to 30 CPD points for the full 3-day attendance.

Cancellation & Refunds:

The Registration fee is non-refundable.

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Abstract Submissions:

Should you wish to submit an abstract, please refer to the guidelines on the following website address: <https://www.fnu.ac.fj/college-of-medicine/research-cmnhs/pihrs/pihrs-abstract-submission-guidelines/> and submit your abstract by email to PIHRS@fnu.ac.fj

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