

# Dissemination and Implementation Research for Cancer Control in Africa

Full day pre-conference workshop at African Organization for  
Research and Training in Cancer (AORTIC) annual conference in  
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One of the most critical issues impeding improvements in public health today is the enormous gap between our knowledge of strategies that can optimize health promotion and disease prevention and what actually gets implemented. Dissemination and Implementation (D&I) is a field of inquiry that investigates the process for bringing solutions from biomedical and healthcare research to broader public health practice and policy. The field of D&I research is growing; however, there remains a need to expand the cadre of both new and established scientists, especially from low- and middle-income countries who work with, or have access to, priority populations and are prepared to:

- Address the complex process of bridging research and practice in a variety of real-world settings; and
- Conduct research that balances rigor with relevance and employs study designs and methods appropriate to the complex processes involved in dissemination and implementation of evidence-based programs and policies.

**This workshop is designed to provide an introduction to the field of D&I, and lay the groundwork for developing D&I research proposals. Participants will learn to:**

- Define D&I and discuss how it has been applied in disease prevention and control in national, regional or community settings;
- Identify key domains of D&I research inquiry– health systems, community-based characteristics, human resources development, operations research and evaluation – and develop skills to investigate questions in these domains by understanding theoretical frameworks for D&I research;
- Understand a set of research methods and tools that can be used to investigate questions in D&I science. This includes available resources as well as past research in other areas that have successfully used D&I research

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