



Proposal
Humanitarian Evidence Week 2017 – HEW2017
Evidence Aid and the Centre for Evidence Based Medicine
June 2017

Date: 6 – 12 November 2017

Organisers: Evidence Aid and the Centre for Evidence Based Medicine at the University of Oxford

Introduction

In recent years, the humanitarian sector is increasingly recognising the value of an evidence-based approach and many key actors are involved in improving the generation, use, dissemination and uptake of robust evidence in the sector. Nevertheless, challenges remain and there is a need to promote the solutions that are available and the progress made. Evidence Aid and the Centre for Evidence Based Medicine (CEBM) developed the idea of the Humanitarian Evidence Week (HEW) with this in mind. We hope you will join us by organising an activity during the HEW.

Purpose – for HEW overall

To provide an international platform (held each year) for actors that contribute to the generation, use or dissemination of evidence in support of humanitarian action, to share and discuss views on the topic, and to promote related activities.

Topic – for HEW 2017

The challenges related to the use of evidence in the sector and the benefits of an evidence based approach.

Participants and supporters

We are looking for institutes that want to join us in making the HEW2017 a success. There are two ways you can join us:

1. Associate; those institutes or organisations that take responsibility to deliver one or more elements during the HEW2017 and take part in the promotion of all the HEW2017 activities.
2. Supporter; those institutes or organisations that support the HEW2017 by promoting all the HEW2017 activities.

All the participants and supporters will be added to the HEW website with their logo.

Planning for 2017 (tentative)

- May; Approach key institutes and organisations who might participate
- 5 June; First announcement of HEW2017
- June – August; Confirmation of participants and supporters
- 5 September; Official launch with announcement during the Geneva Evidence Lounge, website and other social media channels – including first tentative programme
- 5 September; Open online application for additional participants and supporters
- 5 October; Promotion of HEW2017 by releasing update on programme
- 6 to 12 November; HEW2017

Provisional programme

- 6 November
 - Blog(s) / Podcast(s)
 - ALNAP – One episode in their Bridging the Evidence Gap: Webinar series (<http://www.alnap.org/evidence/bridging-the-gap>) – Working title: Evidence-based approach to humanitarian action; What can the humanitarian sector learn from evidence based medicine
- 7 November
 - Blog(s) / Podcast(s)
 - Bloomsbury Humanitarian Debate (<http://crises.lshtm.ac.uk/2016/04/29/next-bloomsbury-humanitarian-debate-3/>)
 - Evidence Aid training (London) – An introduction to systematic reviews in the humanitarian sector
- 8 November
 - Blog(s) / Podcast(s)
 - Evidence Aid Workshop – Use of evidence and knowledge translation
 - Café talk at Kellogg College, Oxford
- 9 November
 - Blog(s) / Podcast(s)
- 10 November
 - Blog(s) / Podcast(s)
 - PHAP Webinar
- 11 November
 - Blog(s) / Podcast(s)
- 12 November
 - Blog(s) / Podcast(s)
 - Twitter Thunderclap
- Throughout the week:
 - Online publications on IRIN and Guardian Global Development (<https://www.theguardian.com/global-development>)
 - Twitter; Constant updates and Tweets covering the activities
 - Other social media; Overview of activities and updates

Twitter

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Join us

The programme above only provides a glimpse of what is possible with your support. If you are interested and feel your organisation could contribute to making the HEW2017 a success, please contact Jane Higgins (jhiggins@evidenceaid.org).