

Epilepsy in Africa: what is the way forward?

1st High Level Dialogue on Epilepsy 2020

THEMES FROM DISCUSSION

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Main themes	<i>Medication, treatment and facilities</i>	<i>Social stigma, myths & marginalisation</i>	<i>Research</i>	<i>Empowerment and education of Young PWE</i>	<i>Training and Education</i>	<i>Policy and advocacy</i>	<i>Collaboration and Funding</i>
Sub-themes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reduce treatment gap 2. Increase access to health services 3. Supply of drugs is low 4. Address side effects 5. Shortage of facilities or infrastructure 6. Telemedicine or tele-advice (technology) is an opportunity 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Awareness needed 2. School awareness 3. Correct terminology needed 4. Ethical use of social media 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Statistics & data missing 2. EAA develop a tool to collect data at health centres 3. Epilepsy register in each country 4. Online surveys – involve disability 5. More African publications 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Employment skills 2. Tertiary education 3. Self-employment 4. Strategies to reduce poverty 5. Reduce social and environmental barriers 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nurses training 2. Young doctors training 3. Patients courses 4. Care givers training 5. Training in French and English 6. Webinars 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Laws 2. Driving 3. Transport 4. Marriage 5. Action Plans for each country 6. Reduce exclusion 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Engage the AU & WHO Africa – engage governments as policy & decision makers 2. Engage funders and charities – form partnerships 3. Supporting countries that have no epilepsy programs 4. Training on how to get funding, ethical fundraising

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