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Overcoming the burden of maternal, newborn and infant mortality rate in low resource countries through telemedicine

The prevalence of high maternal and infant mortality rate in developing countries continues to be listed among the major global health challenges. The most vulnerable groups are adolescents, women in childbearing age, newborn babies and infants in the remote areas. It takes more creativity to find sustainable solutions to a difficult problem. This workshop will highlight the inequities in access to maternity care and present innovative strategies developed to improve maternal, newborn and infant health in low resource countries, and the role of telemedicine in overcoming this global health challenge. The workshop will discuss lessons learned through designing, implementation, financing, collaboration and partnership. The interactive part of this workshop will:

- Guide participants through the experience.
- Provide a forum for participants to explore the educational model used.
- Exchange ideas and discuss new concepts.

Participants working for the common cause will be spurred to examine the transferability of this model, in order to fit it into their own context.

Biography

Agnes Kanyanya graduated in general Nursing from the McCord Hospital Nursing College in South Africa, and graduated in Advanced midwifery & Neonatal intensive care nursing from the University of Natal, Durban, South Africa. She is the founder of PROSAMI, an international non-profit organization for the promotion of maternal & infant health, of which she is also the training coordinator. As such, she has designed and implemented a program to strengthen midwifery education in the rural areas in the Democratic Republic of Congo, using Telemedicine technology sponsored by the department of Telehealth at the University of Virginia. Agnes is the recipient of the Community builder award (UVA 2010); Global Telehealth Champion (UVA 2016); Community Service award (Sigma Teta Tau international 2016).

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