



## CONCEPT NOTE

Empowering the Future

PROGRAM BY: TANZANIA HEALTH SUMMIT

## 1.0 ABOUT TANZANIA HEALTH SUMMIT

Founded in 2014 as an NGO, the Tanzania Health Summit (THS) is driven by a core mission to enhance accessibility of quality and affordable healthcare for all. The establishment of THS was prompted by the critical health challenges facing the nation, ranging from maternal and child mortality to the high prevalence of HIV/AIDS, TB, and Malaria, along with concerns related to water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH). Anchored in the principles of equity, sustainability, and partnership, THS embarked on its journey with a commitment to forge a future where every Tanzanian can enjoy a healthy life, irrespective of their geographical location or socioeconomic status.

Its iconic platform “the annual health summit” is jointly coordinated by seven institutions, including the Ministry of Health (MoH), President Office Regional Administration and Local Government (PORALG), Ministry of Health – Zanzibar (MoHz), Christian Social Services Commission (CSSC), National Muslim Council of Tanzania (BAKWATA), Association of Private Health Facilities (APHFTA) and TMHS.

## 2.0 THS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE HEALTH SECTOR

In the last ten years, Tanzania Health Summit have made significant contributions to advancing national health goals and improving health outcomes. Some notable achievements include:

- THS has provided a platform for discussing strategies for strengthening health systems. Every year more than 600 health stakeholders from the private and public sector discuss critical health matters on improving workforce, increasing access to essential medicines and technologies and developing sustainable financing mechanisms for health. These discussions have contributed to the development of new programs and national plans.
- Advancing research and innovation: Around 200 research presentations are done yearly by project leaders and academic researchers. Innovations, new technologies, diagnostic tools and treatment options are also shared.
- Capacity Building: THS has provided training, skills development and mentorship to more than 100 youths in the last three years. Three of them have been working with African Union Bingwa champions on COVID-19 advocacy campaign, International Fellows on Maternal and Child Health, five alumni have been employed in different community health projects, while others are still in Universities.
- Skills development workshop on HIV/AIDS and First AID was conducted to healthcare workers and project officers which helped to improve skills and knowledge leading to improved health outcomes.

## 3.0 THS YOCAB INITIATIVE

The Youth Capacity Building Initiative is a comprehensive program designed to empower young people aged 18-30 by equipping them with the necessary skills, knowledge, and opportunities to become active and responsible citizens. The program aims to foster a generation of young people who are capable of contributing positively to their communities by addressing health, social-economic, and environmental challenges

According to ILO, in Tanzania, youth unemployment rates are alarmingly high (11.5%), and young people often face significant barriers to accessing quality education, healthcare and job opportunities. This situation can lead to social exclusion, poverty, and a loss of potential for economic growth. Addressing these challenges requires concerted efforts to invest in the capacity building of young people, enabling them to become agents of change specifically in healthcare.

## 4.0 ORGANIZATION AND YOCAB PARTICIPANTS COMPOSITION

To strengthen the capacity of young leaders to take action in support and implementation of national health sector strategic plan five (HSSP V, 2021-2026), the Tanzania health Summit host annually 120 youths aged 18-30 from colleges, public health, recent graduates, civil societies are selected from around 300 applicants. Participants takes part in team building, networking and training sessions in healthcare leadership & management, advocacy, career building and communication skills. After the face-to-face workshop, the selected applicants advance to the mentorship program, where by they will be attached to leaders in healthcare for six (6) months in the field and practical sessions.

The youth are then followed and monitored through YOCAB Alumni platform that provides a continuous support and networking for jobs and other carrier opportunities.

## 5.0 YOCAB OBJECTIVES

1. Developing a skilled and diverse workforce by providing hands on field practical experiences on leadership, management, and public health community service.
2. Encouraging youth participation in healthcare decision-making processes by providing platforms for engagement, advocacy, and collaboration with health institutions and policy-makers.
3. Promoting health literacy and awareness among young people, empowering them to make informed decisions regarding their health and well-being and to serve as health ambassadors within their communities.
4. Strengthening collaboration among youth, educational institutions, and health sector stakeholders to create a robust network for knowledge sharing, job opportunities, and mentorship.

## 6.0 DATE AND VENUE

The workshop are held annually alongside Tanzania Health Summit meeting



## 7.0 EXPECTED OUTCOME

- Increased number of young women and men in productive self and/or wage employment. By developing skilled and diverse workforce and hands on field practical experiences on leadership, management, and public health community service, the initiative will contribute to an increase in the number of competent health workers, helping to address existing workforce shortages and future demands.
- Greater youth participation in healthcare decision-making: By engaging young people in advocacy and policy-making processes, the initiative will ensure that the unique perspectives of youth are considered in the development of health policies and strategies.
- Improved health literacy and awareness: Through targeted campaigns and educational programs, young people will be better informed about their health and well-being, leading to healthier choices and behaviors.
- Stronger healthcare networks and collaborations: By facilitating partnerships among youth organizations, educational institutions, and health sector stakeholders, the initiative will create a robust network for knowledge sharing, job opportunities and mentorship, leading to more effective and sustainable health interventions.

## 8.0 FINANCING & SUPPORT

YOCAB is partially supported by the funding from the Tanzania Health Summit since its initiation in 2019. Starting from 2022, ABBOTT FUND has partly supported the program with a total fund of \$10,000 covering two years.

Training facilities (Stationary, workshop venue, media coverage and documentation)	\$5,000
120 Youth registration fee & transport cost for youth living outside Dar es Salaam	\$5,500
Workshop facilitators' transport and consultation fee (2)	\$1,000
Mentor-Mentee apprenticeship support (involving field visits transport and meals for 10 youths in 6 months)	\$6,840
Administration (Recruitment processes, YOCAB newsletters, meetings, social cocktail reception, awards and certificates)	\$500

**TOTAL PROGRAM COSTS**

**\$18,840/**

## 09. SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

	Platinum (\$20,000)	Gold (\$7,000)	Silver (\$3,000)
Naming Rights: “YOCAB 2025 presented by [Sponsor Name]”	Exclusively	None	None
Keynote Speaking Opportunity: 5-minute address during YOCAB opening session	Yes	Yes	None
Judging Panel Seat: Be part of the final decision-making team	Yes	Yes	Yes
Exhibition Booth: Premium space at the summit to showcase your services or innovation support	9SQM - Executive	9SQM - Premium	None
Logo on stage backdrop, event banners, digital platforms, media kits	Yes	Yes	Yes, Selected Areas
Featured branding on certificates, and backdrop	Yes	Yes	Yes
Highlighted presence on YOCAB page with clickable logo & profile	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mention in all press releases and interviews (Over 5 million coverage)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Logo on program agenda, digital screens, and web page	Yes	Yes	Yes
Recognition: On-stage recognition during the ceremony	Yes	Yes	Yes