

WEST AFRICAN COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS

(FACULTY OF INTERNAL MEDICINE)

FORMAT FOR RESEARCH PROPOSALS & TITLE

REGISTRATION

Section A: Administrative

1.Name of Candidate

2.Faculty of Candidate

3.Month and Year Membership was passed

4.Name of Training Institution

5.Address of Training Institution

6.Name of Supervisor

7.Address of Supervisor (if different from 4 above)

8. Year of W ACP Fellowship -----

9.Name and Address of Second Supervisor

10.Name and Address of another Supervisor if any

11.Proposed Examination date

12.Proposed Title of Project.

Section B: Technical

1. ABSTRACT- 250 words

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION (500 words)

2.1 Introduction

2.2 Problem statement

2.2 Justification/rationale

2.4 Research questions

2.5 General & Specific Objectives

2.5.1 Aim (General Objective)

2.5.2 Specific Objectives

2.6 Hypotheses

3 LITERATURE REVIEW (including relevant African literature -maximum 1,500 words)

4 METHODOLOGY (1500 words)

4.4 Study area

4.5 Study design

4.6 Study population

 4.6.1 Inclusion criteria

 4.6.2 Exclusion criteria

4.7 Sample size determination

4.8 Sampling technique

4.9 Study instruments

4.10 Data Collection Methods

4.11 Plan for Data Management

4.11.1 Measurement of Variables

4.11.2 Statistical analyses

4.12 Ethical considerations

4.13 Limitations

RELEVANCE OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT TO THE PRACTICE OF THE DISCIPLINE (250

words)

BUDGET

TIMELINE

5 REFERENCES

APPENDIX

A. Study instruments(Questionnaire)

B. Ethical approval

C. Others

Application supported by

a. Head of Department. Name

Signature and Date

b. Supervisor: Name:

Year of Fellowship

Signature and Date

c. Second Supervisor: Name

Year of Fellowship

d. Another Supervisor (if any): Name

Year of Fellowship

Signature and Date

e. Candidate's Signature and Date

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- b. Date forwarded to Chief examiner or designated Assessor
- c. Date returned by Chief Examiner or designated Assessor
- d. Approved by Chief Examiner (Yes/No}
- e. If not approved, objections must be communicated to the candidate
- f. Date approved/objections communicated

Formatting Issues & Other Notes

Formatting Issue

- Indicate word count at the end of each section.
- Referencing style is Vancouver ONLY
- Use A4, typewritten and **double-spacing** throughout for the prose including references.
- Font should be Times New Romans, 12-point type with 1-inch page margins for prose
- The subheadings should be: **ALL CAPS and BOLD**
- For Tables: Font should be Times New Romans, 11-point type, and 1 1/2-line spacing
- Use British English spelling throughout (NOT American)

Submission¹

Two CDs with the electronic copy of the proposal MUST be submitted alongside the hard copy of the proposal

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