

UB/CBU International Social Work Research Conference (ISWRC) Agenda

Mental Wellness

May 3 - May 4, 2024 Best Western Belize Biltmore Plaza Belize City, Belize

Registration and Networking May 3, 2024		
8:00am - 9:00am	Registration Open	Best Western Belize Biltmore Plaza 2nd Floor Lobby
9:00 am - 9:30 am	Belize National Anthem Student: Mikayla Thompson Opening Ceremony: Dr. Vincent Palacio, Ph.D President's Address University of Belize Dr. Lisa Johnson, MBBS, DM (Surg) Dean's Address Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Belize Dr. Kendra Flores-Carter, DSW CBU Representative Address California Baptist University	River Hall

Day 1 May 3, 2024		
9:30am - 10:15am	Opening Keynote: Fermin Olivera, MSW	River Hall
10:15am- 10:30am	Break / Expo Hall Network & Visit with NGOs	
10:30am-11:30am	Plenary Emotional Wellness and Health Panel	River Hall



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	Discussion Panelists: Dr. Lisa Johnson MBBS, DM(Surg), Dr. Kendra Flores-Carter, DSW, Minister Kareem Musa, Virgilio J. Murillo Moderator: Ambassador Shabazz	
11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Workshops Breakout 1 • Christa Courtenay M.A., Best Practices for Police Officers in Mental Health	• River Hall
	• Ava Pennill M.A. & Frederico Gianelli S.J.M. Div, M.T. S. Palliative Care and Hospice	• Toucan Hall A
	Liza Arellano DSW LCSW, Addressing the Mental Health Needs of Children in Foster Care	• Toucan Hall B
12:30 pm - 1:15 pm	Lunch & Networking	Buffet Served (Bistro) Lunch tickets must be presented
1:15 pm- 2:00 pm	Research Presentations Breakout 2 • Dr. Mathias Vairez Ph.D., Nora G. Bradley, Olga Manzanero, and Janeen Quiroz, Adolescents' Academic Behaviors,	• River Hall
	Grit and Apprehensions during the COVID-19 Pandemic: Implications for Educators and Parents	• Toucan Hall A
	Dr. Brittany Rodriguez DrPH MSW Conceptualizing, developing and implementing an integrated Transdisciplinary Symposium Series	• Toucan Hall B



Day 1 May 3, 2024		
	Dr. Deborah Wright and Aris Allen Needs Assessment of Food Insecurity	
2:00 pm - 2:30 pm	Plenary: Nurse Iveth Quintanilla Mental Health Policy in Belize	River Hall
2:30pm - 3:15pm	Research Presentations Breakout 3 • Dr. Mathias R. Vairez Jr Ph.D., Olga Manzanero, and Janeen Quiroz Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic on Adolescents Well-being in Belize	• River Hall
	Brionne Phillips Improving Oral Health Outcomes for Black Patients through Interdisciplinary Collaboration	• Toucan Hall A
	Student Poster Presentation	Toucan Hall B
3:15 pm -3:30 pm	Break / Expo Hall Network & Visit with NGOs	
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Plenary: Closing Keynote: Ambassador Shabazz Diplomat, Lecturer, Consultant & Professor for Corporations, Academia, Foundations and Global Forums Description	River Hall
	Q & A	River Hall
5:00 pm	Thank you and Closing	River Hall



Day 2 May 4, 2024		
8:00 am - 9:00 am	Registration	Best Western Biltmore
9:00am - 9:30am	Plenary: Opening Keynote Minister Dolores Balderamos	River Hall
9:30 am - 10:00 am	Plenary: Roundtable Discussion Stress, Burn-Out, and Compassion Fatigue: An Organization Perspective Panelists: Erica McIntosh DSW LCSW, Janine Cayetano MSc, Shawn Vargas MSc, Dr. Shané P. Teran Psy.D. MSW LCSW, Yorshabell Cattouse Moderator: Azalia Larrieu, MSW CCST-I	
10:00 am - 10:15 am	Break / Expo Hall	Toucan Hall B
10:15 am - 11:00 am	Research Presentations: Breakout 1 • Joanne Washington LCSW-R: Disciplined unethical social workers commonalities with convicted cult leaders, and attachment bonds: Ethical practice implications • Dr. Dretona Maddox DSW, BSN RN-PHN LCSW Understanding the Impact of Negative Healthcare Encounters on the	River HallToucan Hall A
	Dr. Dretona Maddox DSW, BSN RN-PHN LCSW Understanding the Impact of Negative Healthcare	• Toucan Hall A



11:45 am - 12:30 pm	Lunch	Buffet Served (Bistro) Lunch tickets must be presented.
	CCTS-I Growing the Social Work Profession in Belize • Dr. Erica McIntosh DSW LCSW Prioritizing Police Mental Health: Examining Risk Factors for Suicide Prevention and Justice-Informed Responses • Dr. Carol Babb M.Ed. Financial Wellness	 River Hall Toucan Hall A Toucan Hall B
11:00 am - 11:45 am	Workshop- Breakout 2 • Azalia Larrieu, MSW	
	Poster Viewing: (During Breaks) • Dr. Deborah Wright and Aris Allen: Needs Assessment of Food Insecurity for California, University of Science and Medicine (CUSM) Graduate Student	
	• Giovanni Ayala, A Scoping Review of the Relationship Between Mindfulness Practices and Stress Among First-Generation Latinx	• Toucail Hail B
	Black Teenage Mothers Poster Viewing: (During Breaks)	• Toucan Hall B
	Neonatal Outcomes among	



12:30 pm - 1:15 pm	Research Presentations Breakout 3	
	Dr. Viola W Lindsey MSW PhD Domestic Violence/Interpersonal Violence: Awareness is Prevention	• River Hall
	• Lisa Wayne Higgins-King The Community Resilience Model (CRM)	• Toucan Hall A
	• Juliet Simmons, MSc, Olusola Oladeji, PhD Psychotherapy services in a primary health care center in Belize; pattern of presentation and outcome.	
		Toucan Hall B
1:15 pm - 2:00 pm	Research Presentations: Breakout	
	Dr. Kristcha DeGuerre PhD LMSW Talking Sweet and Moving Quiet: Trauma and Resiliency in Gang-Involved Girls in Belize	• River Hall
	 Breona Allison and Kelsey Hillis, Child abuse and the impact on Mental Health Dr. Shané P. Teran Psy.D, 	• Toucan Hall A
	MSW LCSW Building Psychological Safety in a Burned Out Culture	• Toucan Hall B
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Closing Keynote: Shawn Vargas, MSc Men's Mental Health	River Hall