

# ISH NEWS AND PARTNER ACTIVITIES

## Launch of the ISH Capacity Building Network (CBN) - a joint initiative from the NIC, MTC and WiHR committees

**New ISH initiative to support early to mid-career researchers**

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As chairs of the Women in Hypertension Research Committee (WiHRC), the New Investigator Committee (NIC), and the Mentorship and Training Committee (MTC), we and our committees are very excited to have launched a new ISH initiative to offer career development and networking opportunities for early and mid-career researchers and those from under-represented backgrounds.

The ISH Capacity Building Network (CBN) will organise webinars and workshops, produce podcasts, and create online videos and resources to help equip investigators with the skills they need to progress in research.

The first resources developed by the CBN – a series of videos on putting together a winning conference abstract – are available now on the CBN web pages of the ISH website: [ish-world.com/cbn](http://ish-world.com/cbn).

The videos – recorded by experienced ISH investigators – are published ahead of the abstract call for the 2024 ISH scientific conference.

Whilst our focus with the CBN is on researchers in the earlier stages of their careers, all members of the ISH are welcome to attend events and to sign up to the CBN mailing list.

Specific awards granted by the CBN are open to early and mid-career researchers and those from under-represented backgrounds who are members of the ISH.

To register to the mailing list and keep up to date on CBN activity, please contact: [secretariat@ish-world.com](mailto:secretariat@ish-world.com).

The videos we have just published on the ISH website will be part of an Emerging Leaders programme from the CBN, which will initially focus on providing comprehensive guidance on developing conference abstracts.

The programme will include an abstract competition, and six winners of this competition will

receive a travel grant to support their attendance of the ISH2024 conference in Cartagena.

Other CBN activities we are organising will include a full day symposium held on Wednesday 18th September 2024, the day before the main ISH2024 meeting, with seminars, an awards ceremony, and opportunities to network with colleagues and leaders in hypertension research. The MTC, WiHRC and NIC will also be arranging usual activities and awards in line with the priorities of each of their committees.

The CBN will also highlight, compare and contrast career development stories from ISH investigators around the world to help ISH early and mid-career researchers understand the different roadmaps to

a successful career in hypertension research and science and how diversity plays an important role.

We hope all members of the ISH, and in particular early and mid-career researchers and those from under-represented backgrounds, will find great value in the resources and events we will be delivering over the coming weeks, months and years.



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