GPHCoN Privacy Policy

The Global Public Health Connect Network (GPHCoN) is committed to protecting your privacy. This Privacy Policy explains how we collect, use, and safeguard your personal information when you interact with our network and website. We respect your rights under the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth) (Act) and comply with all of its requirements.

Collection of Your Information

We may collect personal information from you to perform our business activities and provide you with the best possible service. This information is collected when you:

- Access and use our website.
- Complete a membership registration or contact form.
- Participate in our events, surveys, or feedback sessions.

The information we may collect includes:

- **Personal Data:** Information you voluntarily provide, such as your name, email address, phone number, and location.
- **Professional Data:** Information about your occupation, qualifications, job role, and professional experience, which you provide during the registration process.
- **Derivative Data:** Information our servers automatically collect when you access our website, such as your IP address, browser type, and the pages you view. This data is used to improve the operation and performance of our website.

Use of Your Information

We use the information we collect to:

- Create and manage your GPHCoN account.
- Communicate with you regarding your membership, network activities, and events.
- Assess the performance of our website and improve its operation.
- Update our records to ensure your contact details are current.
- Conduct **routine monitoring and evaluation (RM&E)** of the network's activities, reach, and impact, as outlined in our **Participant Information Sheet**. We use this data to ensure we are achieving our aims and to identify areas for improvement.

Disclosure of Your Information

We do not sell, rent, or trade your personal information to any third parties. We may share information in certain situations, as follows:

- By Law or to Protect Rights: We may disclose your information if we believe it is necessary to respond to legal processes or to protect the rights, property, and safety of others.
- **Service Providers:** We may share your information with our employees, contractors, or service providers (e.g., website hosting, email services) for the purpose of operating the

- network and providing services to you.
- With Your Consent: We may share your information with other organizations for an authorized purpose with your express consent. For any formal research activities, you will be provided with separate information to make an informed choice about your participation.

Security of Your Information

We use administrative, technical, and physical security measures to protect your personal information. While we take reasonable steps to secure the information you provide, please be aware that no security measures are perfect or impenetrable, and no method of data transmission can be guaranteed against misuse.

Contact Us

If you have questions or comments about this Privacy Policy, please contact us at:

Email: info@gphcon.org

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