

# EPICONSULTAFRICA

England & Wales · Charity number 1197558

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2022-01-18

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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**Address** 64 Bedivere Road  
Crawley  
RH11 0FY

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**Website** [epiconsultafrica.org](http://epiconsultafrica.org)

## Activities

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**Objects:** THE OBJECT OF THE CIO IS TO ADVANCE EDUCATION FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT IN THE FIELD OF BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES IN AFRICA THROUGH THE MENTORING OF JUNIOR SCIENTISTS AND POSTGRADUATE AND UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ENGAGED IN EDUCATION AND / OR RESEARCH AT HIGHER EDUCATION AND / OR RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS IN AFRICA, IN THREE KEY AREAS: RESEARCH STUDY DESIGN AND METHODOLOGY, DATA MANAGEMENT AND STATISTICAL ANALYSIS, AND MANUSCRIPT WRITING AND SCIENCE COMMUNICATION. NOTHING IN THIS CONSTITUTION SHALL AUTHORISE AN APPLICATION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE CIO FOR THE PURPOSES WHICH ARE NOT CHARITABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH [SECTION 7 OF THE CHARITIES AND TRUSTEE INVESTMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005] AND [SECTION 2 OF THE CHARITIES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2008].

**Activities:** The goal of EpiconsultAfrica is to improve the quality of research conducted in the field of Biomedical Sciences in Africa through mentoring of junior scientists and postgraduate and undergraduate students engaged in education and/or research at higher education and/or research institutions in Africa. The mentorship is provided virtually using online digital tools.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

## Geography

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- Algeria
- Angola
- Benin
- Botswana
- Burkina Faso
- Burundi
- Cameroon
- Chad
- Congo
- Congo (Democratic Republic)
- Djibouti
- Egypt
- Eritrea
- Ethiopia
- Gabon
- Ghana
- Guinea
- Guinea-bissau
- Ivory Coast
- Kenya
- Lesotho
- Liberia
- Libya
- Madagascar
- Malawi
- Mali
- Mauritania
- Mauritius
- Morocco
- Mozambique
- Namibia
- Niger
- Nigeria
- Rwanda

- Senegal
- Sierra Leone
- Somalia
- South Africa
- South Sudan
- Sudan
- Tanzania
- The Gambia
- Togo
- Tunisia
- Uganda
- Zambia
- Zimbabwe

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-07-31		£0	£0	-
2024-07-31		£0	£0	-
2023-07-31		£0	£0	-
2022-07-31		£0	£0	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dr Abel Ekiri	Chair	2021-08-06
Dr Patrick Pithua		2021-08-06
Prof Margaret Khaita		2021-08-06

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## Charity Commission Annual Return 2025

EPICONSULTAFRICA

Charity registration number: 1197558

**Most of the information you give in this form will become publicly available on the Register of Charities. Any field that the Charity Commission will not display will be clearly marked.**

This document is a record of the information provided in the Annual Return 2025.

### PART A - Charity information

#### Financial period

**Financial period start date**

01/08/2024

**Financial period end date**

31/07/2025

#### Income and spending

**Income £**

£ 0

**Spending £**

£ 0

#### Number of contracts from government

**How many contracts (other than grant agreements) did your charity receive from central government or a local authority during the financial period for this return?**

0

#### Number of grants from government

**How many grants did your charity receive from central government or a local authority during the financial period for this return?**

0

#### Income breakdown

**Donations and legacies (excluding Endowments Received)**

£ 0

**Charitable activities****Other trading activities****Investments****Other****Grantmaking****Is grant making the main way your charity carries out its purposes?****Recipients of grants****Please round all figures to the nearest pound (do not enter decimal points or commas).****Individuals****Other charities****Other organisations that are not charities****Trustee payments****Excluding out of pocket expenses, for what were any of the trustees paid during the financial period for this return?**

e. None of the trustees have been paid

**Did any of the trustees resign and take up employment with your charity in the financial period of this return?****Income from outside the UK****Did your charity receive income from outside of the United Kingdom in the financial period of this return?****Delivering activities outside the United Kingdom****Did your charity deliver charitable activities outside of the United Kingdom in the financial period of this return?** **Spending outside of the United Kingdom****Did your charity spend funds outside of the United Kingdom in the financial period of this return?****Total Spending outside of the United Kingdom**

**Trading subsidiaries****Does the charity have any trading subsidiaries?**

No

**Employment contract types****People were permanently employed by your charity**

0

**People were on fixed-terms contracts with your charity**

0

**Self-employed people were working for your charity**

0

**Governance policies****Internal charity financial controls policy and procedures**

No

**Safeguarding policy and procedures**

No

**Financial reserves policy and procedures**

No

**Complaints policy and procedures**

No

**Serious incident reporting policy and procedures**

No

**Internal risk management policy and procedures**

No

**Trustee expenses policy and procedures**

No

**Trustee conflicts of interest policy and procedures**

No

**Investing charity funds policy and procedures**

No

**Campaigns and political activity policy and procedures**

No

**Bullying and harassment policy and procedures**

No

**Social media policy and procedures**

No

**Engaging external speakers at charity events policy and procedures**

No

**Safeguarding**

**Has your charity provided services to children and/or adults at risk in the financial period of the return?**

No

## External risk and impact

### Donations

No impact

### Other income - grants

No impact

### Other income - contracts

No impact

### Other income - investment

No impact

### Expenditure on charitable activities

No impact

### Expenditure on overheads

No impact

### Number of volunteers

No impact

### Number of employees

No impact

### Number of trustees

No impact

### Fundraising activities

No impact

### Capacity to deliver services

No impact

### Total service demand

No impact

## Volunteers

**Excluding trustees, provide an estimate of the number of volunteers who carried out charitable activities on behalf of your charity in the United Kingdom during the financial period of this return?**

0

## Privacy statement

**Any information you give us will be held securely and processed only in accordance with the rule on data protection. We will not disclose your personal details to anyone unconnected to the Charity Commission unless:**

- you have consented to their release; or
- we are legally obliged to disclose them; or
- we regard disclosure as either (a) necessary so that we can properly carry out our statutory functions or (b) necessary in the public interest.

**We may share and disclose information about you with relevant public authorities, regulatory bodies and agencies, outside the Charity Commission but only if:**

- **we can lawfully do so; and**
- **we decide that disclosure is necessary for national security, crime detection, prevention, and law enforcement, or other issues in the public interest**

**Information we collect about you**

**We will use this information:**

**To enable us to carry out our statutory functions and duties;**

**This will include the following actions:**

- (a) update, consolidate, and improve the accuracy of our records;**
- (b) undertake crime detection and prevention and law enforcement and assist the third parties specified above to investigate or prevent crime and carry out law enforcement;**
- (c) data analysis, testing, research, statistical and survey purposes**

**Information we receive from other sources.**

**Information we receive from other sources**

**We may combine this information with information you give to us and information we collect about you.**

**We may use this information and the combined information for the purposes set out above (depending on the types of information we receive).**

**We will ensure that any such disclosure and use is proportionate; considers your right to respect for your private life; and is done fairly and lawfully in accordance with the data protection principles of the Data Protection Act.**

**The Data Protection Act 1998 regulates the use of 'personal data', which is essentially any information, however stored, about identifiable living individuals.**

**As a 'data controller' under the Act, the Charity Commission must comply with it. Any changes we may make to our privacy statement in the future will be set out in the replacement version of this form.**

**Please check back frequently to see any updates or changes to our privacy policy.**

## **Declaration**

**This annual return has not been submitted and no Declaration has been made**

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EPICONSULTAFRICA  
64 Bedivere Road,  
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29 May 2025

To:  
The Charity Commission  
England and Wales

Dear Sir/Madam

**RE: Trustee's Annual Report – 2024**

We would like to share the trustee's annual report for 2023 for our charity.

**Charity Name:** EPICONSULTAFRICA

**Charity Number:** 1197558

**Trustee names:** Abel Ekiri, Margaret Khaitisa, Patrick Odongo Pithua

**Financial year end:** 31 July 2024

EpiConsultAfrica, is a non-profit organization that aims to improve the quality of research conducted in the field of Biomedical Sciences at higher education and research institutions in Africa. EpiConsultAfrica plans to accomplish this goal through mentoring the young generation of research scientists in research study design, data analysis and quality scientific writing. The targeted disciplines include human medicine, veterinary medicine, public health, nursing, pharmacy, dentistry, and other relevant discipline in the field of Biomedical Sciences.

For the period, 2023- July 31, 2024, no activities were conducted, no income or debts were accrued during that period, and no funds are held by the custodian trustee.

Thank you,  
Abel Ekiri  
Custodian trustee

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **01 August 2022**  
**31 July 2023**

**Period start date To**  
**Period end date**

**Charity name: EPICONSULTAFRICA**

**Charity registration number: 1197558**

### Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The goal of EpiconsultAfrica is to improve the quality of research conducted in the field of Biomedical Sciences in Africa. The organisation aims to promote and increase individual and collective knowledge and understanding of specific areas of study while enriching existing individual skills and expertise.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	EpiconsultAfrica achieves its goals through mentoring of junior scientists and postgraduate and undergraduate students engaged in education and/or research at higher education and/or research institutions in Africa. The mentorship is provided in three key areas: research study design and methodology, data management and statistical analysis, and manuscript writing and science communication.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including	Para 1.38	

program related investment		
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<b>No major wide scale mentoring activities were implemented in the period 01 August 2022 to 31 July 2023. The trustees spent time creating plans for mentoring activities.</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	

Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<b>No expenditures for the period 01 August 2022 to 31 July 2023.</b>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<b>Not applicable.</b>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>Not applicable.</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<b>Not applicable.</b>
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	<b>Not applicable.</b>
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<b>Not applicable.</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		The charity's three trustees manage the affairs of the CIO.
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<b>Constitution</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>CIO.</b>
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Every charity trustee must be a natural person.</li> <li>2. No individual may be appointed as a charity trustee of the CIO if he or she is under the age of 16 years.</li> <li>3. No one is entitled to act as a charity trustee whether on appointment or on any re-appointment until he or she has expressly acknowledged, in whatever way the charity trustees decide, his or her acceptance of the office of charity trustee.</li> <li>4. At least one of the trustees of the CIO must be 18 years of age or over.</li> </ol>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	EpiConsultAfrica
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1197558
Charity's principal address	64 Bedivere Road, Crawley, UK, RH11 0FY.

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	<b>Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)</b>
1	Abel Bulamu Ekiri	NA	NA	NA
2	Margaret Khaita	NA	NA	NA
3	Patrick Pithua Odongo	NA	NA	NA
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**Corporate trustees - names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

<b>Director name</b>		
<b>NA</b>		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	
<b>NA</b>		


## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	NA
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	NA
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	NA

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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### Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

<b>None</b>
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### Other optional information

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## Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

	
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Full name(s)

Abel B Ekiri	
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Position (eg  
Secretary, Chair, etc)

Co-founder	
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Date

26 July 2023
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