Dear Colleagues,

The Ministry of Public Health of Cuba is pleased to invite you to participate in the International Convention of Health, “Cuba – Health 2015”, to be held from the 20th to 24th of April 2015, and shall be held at the Palace of Conventions in Havana, Cuba.

The Convention is sponsored by prestigious organizations, National and International, and has among its purposes, the discussion of health in Cuba and the rest of the world, which will include deep reflection, committed and focused discussions on the most varied of subjects, linked to the international agenda on health.

In this important forum on current and future challenges of Public Health in the world, with emphasis on health needs faced in the world today. Likewise we will discuss current public policies, strategies, organization and economic bases that support health activity, as well as the evaluation of the new processes of renewal of primary health care and its implications for health services.

The convention will be propitious to reaffirm the need to consider improving the health of the population as a determinant of social development.

We are confident that Havana, with its hospitality, will contribute so that participants can spend days of fruitful scientific exchange and entertainment that, in turn, will contribute to the strengthening of more friendly relations and cooperation.

**MAIN TOPICS**

- The economic, social and environmental policies and their implications for health.
- The transformations in health systems and their impact on key indicators of population health.
- The strategies of Primary Health Care; challenges of universal health coverage, between different parts of the populations and citizen participation, as components of the strategy.
- Health Equity.
- Social determinants of health and their contribution to improving the health and wellbeing of the population.
- Challenges of the sector in priority programs: sexual and reproductive health, maternal and child health, health of workers, seniors and disability.
- Quality of health services.
- Development Systems Research and Technology Innovation in Health: challenges, realities and perspectives in the health sector.
- Disasters: implications and responses of National Health Systems.
- Using the Information Technology and Communications (TIC) in the transformation of health services, in the formation of human resources, and undergraduate and postgraduate research.
- Role of social communication: welfare, health and quality of life.
- The promotion of health in society.
- Health economics and paper processes efficiency in the sector.
- Medical law.

One of the main objectives of this Convention is to achieve a fluid and open exchange of ideas on what health is concerned, in the most comprehensive and encompassing way possible, in search of integration of diversity. That is why simultaneous lectures will be developed, including symposiums, roundtable discussions, and panels, which will involve important personalities recognized at an international level; side events that will address different topics; networking meetings and courses, among others.

Another method that will be incorporated are workshops, which will address issues such as Quality Health Services, Climate Change and Health, Intersectional Health, Medical IT, among others.

The event will have the presence of 400 Cuban Delegates and 500 Foreign Delegates.

**Working Languages: Spanish / English/ Portuguese (In Plenary Session)**