



## LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH: Introduction to Law Enforcement & Public Health

The First African Conference on Law Enforcement and Public Health Pretoria, 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2024

## What is Public Health Policing?

The traditional "reactive" approach to policing, solely focused on apprehending criminals after crimes occur, has faced growing criticism for its limitations in addressing the root causes of crime and fostering safer communities.

Enter the public health approach to policing, a paradigm shift gaining traction worldwide. This approach views crime as a public health issue, like the spread of disease, and emphasises prevention through evidence-based early interventions and collaboration with community stakeholders.

While still in its early stages of implementation, this approach holds immense potential to create safer, more just communities and improve the public's perception of law enforcement.

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This conference provides a **training opportunity** for people in African Police Agencies to learn about public health approaches to policing from local and international experts.

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