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## **Tobacco Control Research Forum**

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**בבניין ריימונד למקצועות הבריאות, חדר 208**

### **מרצה**

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### **נושא הרצאה:**

**Understanding the Global Epidemic of  
Hookah/ Waterpipe Use among Young Adults:  
Implications for prevention and cessation**

### **Presentation Abstract:**

This presentation will cover hookah use and growing appeal for hookah use in the US, as well as the new growing demographic of users in the Middle East (e.g., women and young adults). Other than the patterns of use, information regarding the determinants of hookah use and its association with other risk behavior and patterns of tobacco use among special populations (e.g. pregnant women in the Middle East, Electronic dance music festivals attendees in the US) will be presented. This will be followed by an open discussion about the implication of hookah use among youth and young adults in Israel.

### **Bio: Omar Shahawy MBBCh, PhD, MPH**

Is currently a post-doctoral fellow in New York University School of Medicine, Population Health Department, Section on Tobacco, Alcohol and Drug Use. His current research interests include novel tobacco products with a focus on waterpipe smoking among young adults, tobacco use cessation, and patient-physician decision making.

After receiving his undergraduate medical degree in 2002, Dr. Shahawy later obtained his Master of Public Health in international health development from the Royal Tropical Institute and the Vrije University in Amsterdam, The Netherlands, in 2007 and devoted his career to public health research. He first came to United States as a Hubert Humphrey fellow supported by the U.S. Department of State and the National Institute on Drug Abuse in 2010. During his Humphrey fellowship, Omar enhanced his experience in drug abuse policy and prevention, with a particular focus on gender issues in adolescent and marginalized groups. He also collaborated on several research projects with different universities and research institutions across the US.

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