

### January 2024 Monthly Global Health Community Newsletter

Happy New Year! (Can we still say that?) Here are your January community updates:

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If you have an item to include in a future newsletter, let us know! Please write to us at cghadmin@mgh.harvard.edu.

# **Upcoming Events**

### SAVE THE DATE:

# The MGH Global Health Expo will be held on May 20th, 2024



The MGH Global Health Expo, hosted annually by the Center for Global Health, provides an opportunity to engage with the MGH community and learn about global and local health equity initiatives across MGH.

For more info, visit the event website.

SheSolves Speaker Series: "Designing for Sustainable Funding: Demystifying the Financial Value of Your Idea"

> Tuesday, February 6th 3 pm - 4 pm ET \* *In-person event* \* MGB Assembly Row Somerville, MA



Join Dr. Lindsay Jubelt, MD, MS, and moderator Bonnie Blanchfield, CPA, SM, ScD, for the next event in Springboard Studios' SheSolves Speaker Series. Dr. Jubelt, Chief Population Health Officer at Mass General Brigham and Chief Medical Officer of the MGB Health Plan, will speak on the topic of "Designing for Sustainable Funding." She will speak to the flow of funds from the lens of a health system and from a health plan to demystify the financial value of early-stage ideas seeking sustainable funding. For more info, click here.

Please note: This is an in-person events with a reception to follow it.

Click here to RSVP and submit your questions.



*Global Health Grand Rounds* "Current Challenges in Malaria Control and Elimination: Where Do We Go from Here?"

with Dr. David Walton, MD, MPH

Tuesday, February 6th 8 am - 9 am EST Zoom

**Dr. David Walton, MD, MPH**, joins us for our next Global Health Grand Rounds. Dr. Walton is the U.S. Global Malaria Coordinator for the U.S. President's Malaria Initiative (PMI) at USAID. His work as a physician has included fighting an Ebola outbreak in Sierra Leone and a cholera outbreak in Haiti. He joined USAID after serving as the Senior Director of Global Health at the Butterfly Network, Inc., co-founding Build Health International, and working 15 years for Partners in Health. He completed training at Harvard Medical School, Harvard School of Public Health and Brigham and Women's Hospital.

# MGHGlobalEd Meeting: Bidirectional Exchange

Tuesday, February 13th 12 pm - 1 pm EST Zoom



The MGH Global Education and Clinical Education Collaborative (MGHGlobalEd) meets in February with the theme of bidirectional exchange. MGHGlobalEd welcomes Dr. Aparna Parikh, Dr. Adeline Boatin, Dr. Akwi Asombang and Mary Sebert, RN, to share some personal experiences with bidirectional exchange in their departments. Also at the meeting will be Noel Palatas from the Office for Global Professionals and Scholars (GPS) to speak on visas and the observership process.

All are welcome to attend.

Join the Zoom meeting at this link.

# **Funding Opportunities**

- CGH Research Development Award APPLICATIONS DUE BY 5 PM ET ON JANUARY 26 – This award is designed to support investigators who are beginning careers in global health research. The award is not restricted to any specific area within global health, but the research must be grounded in a robust, in-country partnership and contribute to the local research agenda. This award provides \$75,000 over two years for direct costs. Please see this document for more details about the application process. Applications are due by 5pm ET on January 26. They should be submitted as a single PDF to Lindsey Garrison at legarrison@mgh.harvard.edu with the subject line "CGH Research Development Award." If you have any questions, please reach out to Dr. Jessica Haberer at jhaberer@mgb.org.
- MGH Center for Global Health Medical Education and Innovation Development Award

   APPLICATIONS DUE BY FEBRUARY 1 This award is designed to support earlyto-mid-career healthcare practitioners who are involved in global healthcare delivery and innovation. The award provides up to \$20,000 for one year and may be used to support salary, travel and/or program activities for a global health project.
   Applications will be accepted until February 1, 2024. Please see the title link for more information and contact Juliana Hoke with questions at jhoke@mgh.harvard.edu.
- Harvard Global Health Institute (HGHI) Summer Research and Internship Programs APPLICATIONS DUE BY 11:59 PM ET ON FEBRUARY 4 – HGHI offers returning Harvard undergraduates in good standing the opportunity to participate in paid summer research and internship placements on the Harvard campus, as well as across the world. They range from placements in laboratories and research groups, to field work with hospitals and community health clinics, to office-based internships with NGOs and international organizations. There are four different types of opportunities, which you may read about on the program website. Positions are all 10 weeks long and will run from approximately June 3rd until August 9th, 2024. Applicants must be returning Harvard undergraduates. See the link above for more information.
- Harvard Global Health Institute (HGHI) Burke Global Health Fellowship

– APPLICATIONS DUE BY 5 PM ET ON MARCH 8 – The HGHI Burke Global Health Fellowship is a 12-month program that provides funding for research and curriculum development. There are two categories of fellowship awards: a Research Award (\$75,000) and a Curriculum Development and Teaching Award (\$25,000). Recipients will also receive funding for professional development and up to \$5,000 towards attending a qualifying research conference or networking event. See the HGHI website linked above for more info, or visit the Burke Global Health Fellowship website here for a detailed list of qualifications and expectations.

- MGH Global Health Community Engagement Awards These awards aim to improve health equity and support community-based projects, humanitarian opportunities and requests for specialized assistance from NGOs. MGH staff and faculty are eligible for the awards, and their collaborators from partner institutions are also eligible. So... do you have a community partner with whom you collaborate? This award funding could be quite strategically helpful to them. *Learn more at the link above.*
- MGH 2024 Global Health Service Award Program (GHSA) The GHSAs was established to encourage dedication in global health, recognize those who are advancing clinical care for underserved populations and emphasize the benefits of global collaboration in healthcare. All employees of MGH and global partners are eligible for an award under this program. The awardees will be announced and honored at our annual Global Health Expo in May.
- MGH Center for Global Health Finish Line Grant (GHFLG) Do you have a project that's near completion? Do you need just a *little* more support to finish it? This grant program aims to serve as a catalyst for the completion of projects as well as a way to support mentorship between MGH Global Health faculty and junior investigators and trainees. GHFLG awards can range from \$500-\$2,500 per award each year. They can be used to pay for protected time, childcare costs and more. See this document for more information and how to apply. Contact Lindsey Garrison at legarrison@mgh.harvard.edu with questions.

### **Employment Opportunities / Fellowships**

#### CGH is hiring!

- Clinical Research Coordinator I
- Clinical Research Coordinator II

For more information, please see the job description or contact cghadmin@mgh.harvard.edu

### Awards / Recognition

### CGH has received \$1M gift from CRI Foundation

In addition to the significant grant awards secured by CGH colleagues, at the end of 2023 we received an incredibly generous \$1 million gift from the CRI Foundation. The CRI Foundation is focused on alleviating human suffering and shares our belief that everyone has a right to good health. We are deeply grateful for their partnership and look forward to sharing details on the impact of this gift later this year.

### Congrats, Dr. Alex Tsai, CFD Outstanding



### Mentor of UiM Faculty and Trainees!

**Dr. Alex Tsai, MD**, has been selected to receive the MGH Center for Faculty Development Outstanding Mentor of Underrepresented in Medicine (UiM) Faculty and Trainees Award. The award was created to recognize faculty who support and empower their UiM colleagues in advancing their career and achieving their professional goals and who actively work to create a more open, equitable environment in which UiMs can thrive, grow, and attain major leadership roles.

Here are a few statements from the folks who nominated Dr. Tsai:

- "Dr. Tsai is incredibly real, sharing stories of successes and failures in a way that normalizes common experiences that academics tend to hide behind perfectly crafted CVs."
- "Dr. Tsai taught me that my career and my trajectory are a function of strategic, informed choices and that asking for help is not a weakness but an opportunity to stand on the shoulders of those who paved the way with intention. He is one who has paved well, and I am so grateful to follow in the path."
- "Dr. Tsai has mentored me from a place of expertise, compassion, and deep understanding of the structural and societal factors that create barriers to UiM success. Dr. Tsai has been critical in guiding me toward the realization of one of my most salient career goals."

# **Recent Publications**

Here is a selection of our community's recent publications, alphabetized by first author. To share your published work in the next newsletter, please email **cghadmin@mgh.harvard.edu**.

- Adu-Bonsaffoh, Kwame, Paola Del Cueto, Kate Obayagbona, Rohini Dutta, Mehreen Zaigham, Grace Newman, Henry Kumi, et al. "103 Assessing Tranexamic Acid Utilization for Management of Postpartum Hemorrhage at Referral Facilities in Ghana." *American Journal of Obstetrics & Gynecology* 230, no. 1 (January 1, 2024): S74. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ajog.2023.11.128.
- Chandiwana, Nomathemba C, Mark J Siedner, Vincent C Marconi, Andrew Hill, Mohammed K Ali, Rachel L Batterham, and Willem Daniel Francois Venter. "Weight Gain After HIV Therapy Initiation: Pathophysiology and Implications." *The Journal of Clinical Endocrinology & Metabolism* 109, no. 2 (January 18, 2024): e478– 87. https://doi.org/10.1210/clinem/dgad411.
- Christiani, David C., and Crystal M. North. "Occupational Respiratory Disorders." *Climate Change and Public Health*, 87. Oxford University Press, 2024.
- Cuadros, Diego F., Chayanika Devi, Urisha Singh, Stephen Olivier, Alison C. Castle, Yumna Moosa, Johnathan A. Edwards, Hae-Young Kim, Mark J. Siedner, and Emily B. Wong. "Convergence of HIV and Non-Communicable Disease Epidemics: Geospatial Mapping of the Unmet Health Needs in an HIV Hyperendemic Community in South Africa." *BMJ Global Health* 9, no. 1 (2024): e012730.
- Masekela, Refiloe, Obianuju B. Ozoh, and Crystal M. North. "Walking the Tightrope:

Characterizing Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome in Resource- and Data-Constrained Settings." *American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine* 209, no. 1 (January 2024): 16–18. https://doi.org/10.1164/rccm.202308-1499ED.

- Qin, Rennie, Barnabas Alayande, Isioma Okolo, Judy Khanyola, Desmond Tanko Jumbam, Jonathan Koea, Adeline A Boatin, Henry Mark Lugobe, and Jesse Bump.
   "Colonisation and Its Aftermath: Reimagining Global Surgery." *BMJ Global Health* 9, no. 1 (January 2024): e014173. https://doi.org/10.1136/bmjgh-2023-014173.
- Subbaraman, Ramnath, Laura de Mondesert, Angella Musiimenta, Madhukar Pai, Kenneth H. Mayer, Beena E. Thomas, and Jessica Haberer. "Digital Adherence Technologies for the Treatment of Tuberculosis: Landscape and Research Priorities," January 25, 2024. https://doi.org/10.31219/osf.io/dxu3s.

# **Global Health Community Highlights**



### An update about our Durant Fellow, Dr. Juliana Morris



The Thomas S. Durant Fellowship for Refugee Medicine supports health care professionals to serve refugee populations and victims of complex humanitarian crises around the world. The current fellow, Dr. Juliana Morris, MD, a primary care physician at MGH Chelsea, is focusing on asylum seeker and migrant populations both at the US-Mexico border and locally in Boston. At the clinic

in Mexico, her efforts include providing care to patients, deepening our collaboration and commitment to our NGO partners, and strengthening the Global Disaster Response and Humanitarian Action (GDRHA) volunteer program. Locally, Dr. Morris is focusing on migrant health, access and right to shelter issues as well as coordinating advocacy efforts among health workers.

The Durant Fellowship team will be seeking a fellow for 2025. Please email globaldisasterresponse@partners.org for more information.

### *Traveling soon for work?* Remember – you've got resources.

- MGB TravelSafe program travel assistance and response program
- Contact Ryan Wildes, Manager of International Risk Management, a resource for insurance and emergency response. His email is rwildes@mgb.org.
- Contact Kristen Giambusso, Deputy Director of Global Disaster Response and Humanitarian Action, at kgiambusso@mgb.org.

### Notice some changes here?



You might notice that this newsletter looks a little different than our former newsletters. This is because we're conforming to recent changes in Mass General-Brigham brand guidelines, so we must change our colors, fonts and a few design principles. These changes may well include you, too! But don't worry, and don't get confused – we'll be advising about design changes across CGH-affiliated branded content soon. We will reach out with more info in the coming months to guide you through making sure your program content is aligned with MGB brand design guidelines.

### View the Latest Global Health Community Meeting Minutes

### **Opportunities to Engage**

• The Global Health Delivery Intensive (GHDI) will be offered this summer July 9-26, 2024. The intensive is a non-degree program offered virtually by the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health and Harvard Medical School. The three-week program is best suited for mid-career health professionals who seek training in healthcare delivery concepts and skills. Learn more and apply here. If you have any questions,

please contact ghdi@globalhealthdelivery.org.

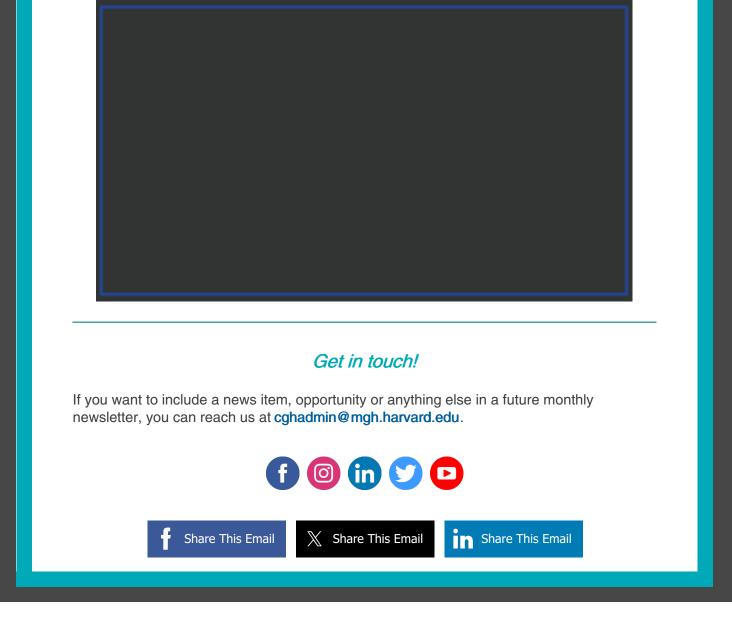
- Beginning with the 2023/2024 academic year, we will be partnering with Harvard Medical School's Master of Science in Media, Medicine and Health Program. The one-year MS program includes an internship/independent course and is currently seeking MGH-based mentors to host students in the spring semester. Mentors can be faculty as well as administrative staff who have a defined project for which they need support. For more information, please contact CGH Program Manager Juliana Hoke at jhoke@mgh.harvard.edu.
- Mass General's Hispanic Psychiatry Clinic is continuing to grow. They are accepting referrals for monolingual Spanish-speaking patients who receive primary specialty care at MGH. PCPs can refer patients for psychopharmacology services via the PTIS Epic referral, or contact the clinic at 617-643-7998.
- We are building a global health library in our office. Feel free to stop by, check out a book and **please add books to the list here.** Some suggested topics to get you thinking include: diversity, equity and inclusion, global health, leadership and decolonizing global health. We're excited to see your picks!
- Do you have Boston area accommodations (a guest room, perhaps) that you can offer to our international collaborators traveling to Boston for short-term stays? If you're able to host, **please complete this REDcap survey**.
- If you are interested in teaching at the **University of Global Health Equity (UGHE)** in Rwanda as a Visiting Faculty, please complete the **REDCap survey here**.
- Interested in becoming a Global Health Affiliate or Associate? Learn more here.



#### Get on the Map

We have created a map to reflect our work around the globe. Look at how wide our reach has become! To include your project or organization, please complete this REDCap survey.

Click here to see the current map.



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