

MGH Global Health Expo 2025

EVENT SUMMARY: 100+ ATTENDEES | 24 GLOBAL HEALTH PROGRAMS/PROJECTS FEATURED | 3 GLOBAL HEALTH SERVICE AWARDS GRANTED

WHAT'S THE PURPOSE?

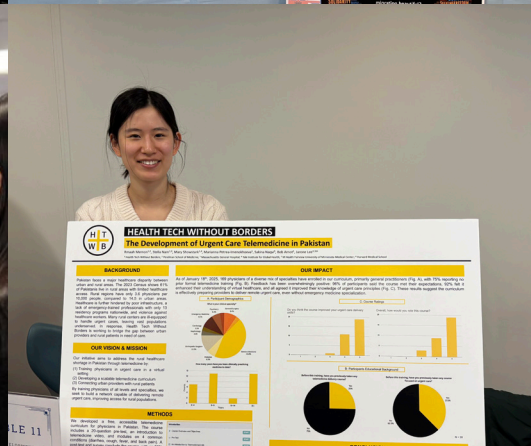
The MGH Global Health Expo is hosted annually by the MGH Center for Global Health to showcase global health initiatives dedicated to addressing health inequities locally and globally. The Expo provides an opportunity for everyone to share their work with the larger Mass General Brigham community and learn from other faculty and staff in the field.

WHO PRESENTED?

Faculty and staff from various MGH and BWH departments, centers or programs with health equity activities—global or local—presented at the MGH Global Health Expo. Each department, center or program hosted a table to provide attendees information about their projects and ongoing global health work.

WHO ATTENDED?

More than 100 people from within and outside of the Mass General Brigham community attended the Expo at MGH to learn about global and local health equity initiatives across MGB. The Expo was also a place for leaders and changemakers to spur new conversations and collaborations and discuss emerging topics in global health.



GLOBAL HEALTH SERVICE AWARDS

The Global Health Service Awards were established to encourage innovation, dedication, and commitment in the field of global health and to emphasize the importance and benefits of global collaboration in healthcare. The awards recognize those whose goal is to inspire, advance, and improve the clinical care and capacity for underserved populations globally.

2025 Recipients

Excellence in Clinical Education and Mentorship Award



Paul Sonenthal, MD

Associate Physician, Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, BWH

Dr. Sonenthal is a critical care physician whose work, rooted in mentorship and capacity building, began as one of Partners in Health's District Clinical Advisors at a district hospital in Rwanda. He works with PIH teams across the world to improve critical care management and establish long-term partnerships with local teams. Dr. Sonenthal continuously seeks opportunities to mentor and lift up the work of those around him.



Excellence in Research and Innovation Award



George Otieno, MBChB

Consultant Physician & Cardiologist, AIC Kijabe Hospital

Dr. Otieno is a clinician-researcher based at AIC Kijabe Hospital in Kenya, where he is leading the development of a prospective heart failure registry at AIC Kijabe—the first of its kind in the area. This research initiative aims to systematically characterize the burden of heart failure in the region, track treatment patterns, and evaluate short- and long-term outcomes. Through this work, Dr. Otieno is addressing a significant data gap in cardiovascular care in East Africa and laying the foundation for future interventional and implementation studies.

Excellence in Global Disaster Response and Humanitarian Action Award



Fiona Danaher, MD, MPH

Pediatrician, MGH Chelsea Adolescent & Pediatric Practice
Director, MGH Center for Immigrant Health
Chair, MGH Immigrant Health Coalition

Dr. Danaher is a pediatrician at MGH Chelsea Adolescent & Pediatric Practice, as well as the Director of the Center for Immigrant Health and Chair of the MGH Immigrant Health Coalition. Her proactive leadership in establishing migrant health clinics directly addresses the critical healthcare needs of newly arrived families, ensuring timely access to medical services and facilitating children's enrollment in school, thereby promoting both health and educational equity. She also navigates the complex U.S. policy environment to address the urgent health needs of immigrants, providing critical insights into systemic inequities and informing potential solutions for improving health outcomes.