Center for Global Health Research Development Award

Purpose: The CGH Research Development 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.

Applicants: This award is open to post-doctoral fellows, instructors, and assistant professors at MGH or BWH. Successful applicants will be able to demonstrate how the funding will enable progression to the next stage in their career (e.g., future grant applications). A committed research mentor must be identified(the mentor does not need to be affiliated with MGH or BWH). Applicants with a K-award or start up fund will not be given priority.

Funding: This award provides $75,000 total in direct costs over two years and may be used to support salary, research expenses, and/or travel. CGH will support the indirect costs associated with the award.

Please note that the budget template includes the current fringe rates for MGH. Kindly update the rates if you are based at BWH. The project start date can be April 1, 2026.

Application Process: Interested applicants should submit the following materials:

- Research plan, including significance, innovation, and approach (max. 3 pages)
- Statement of how the study contributes to:
    - Researcher career development
    - Equity in global health research (max ½ page)
- Budget and budget justification. Budget template is here.
- NIH-format bio-sketch for the applicant and research mentor (either the new or old format is acceptable)
- Letter of recommendation from the research mentor (max 1 page)
- Letter from the applicant's department or division chair indicating their level of commitment to the applicant and to global health within the department or division (max 1 page)
- [Optional] Letter of recommendation from the primary research partner or collaborator (max 1 page)

Application Submission: Applications are due by 5pm on ***Friday, February 20th, 2026*** and should be submitted as a single PDF to cghadmin@mgh.harvard.edu with the subject line: "CGH Research Development Award."

For any questions, please reach out to ***Dr. Jessica Haberer at jhaberer@mgb.org.***

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