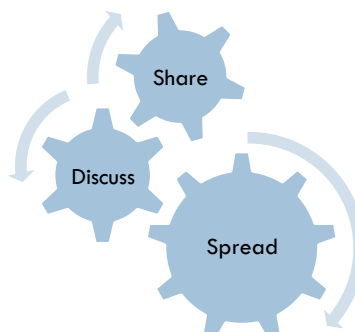


## CAPACITY BUILDING FOR RESEARCH IN RESOURCE-LIMITED SETTINGS

Health research involves increasingly lengthy processes and escalating costs, negatively affecting health outcomes in countries where the need is greatest. **The Global Health Network** accelerates and streamlines research through an innovative digital platform. It is a collection of varied member areas built and led by researchers - each setting out to create a space online to build collaborations and open forums for sharing knowledge, methods and tools as well as to work on joint activities.



### Our Goals and Vision:

- Standardisation of practice
- Dissemination Of Knowledge
- Better Research Practices
- Access To Knowledge & Information
- Enable Data Sharing
- Peer Support & Networking

Find out more: [www.theglobalhealthnetwork.org](http://www.theglobalhealthnetwork.org)

## Get involved in the online discussions and issues of the month

The Lancet Series on Childhood Pneumonia and Diarrhoea, led by Aga Khan University, Pakistan, provides evidence for integrated control efforts for childhood pneumonia and diarrhoea. <http://mother-childlink.tghn.org/articles/childhood-pneumonia-and-diarrhoea/>

This month, we are fortunate to have one of the key persons from the new Lancet Series, Prof. Zulfiqar A Bhutta, available with us for questions and comments. You can get involved, and comment or have your questions answered here: <http://mother-childlink.tghn.org/community/groups/>

Global Health Trials is hosting a discussion too - May Issue of the Month - Using Technology (all types!) for Global Health Research, what are your experiences? This, and others, can be accessed here:

<https://globalhealthtrials.tghn.org/community/groups/group/trial-management/>

## Facilitating Research Collaborations in Developing Countries: SiteFinder and Link Registry

### SiteFinder

SiteFinder ([www.sitefinder.tghn.org](http://www.sitefinder.tghn.org)) is a free, novel online approach to facilitating clinical research collaborations in developing countries. It works by enabling investigators to find fellow collaborators and by providing a mechanism for groups that sponsor trials, such as universities, companies, and product development groups, to find trial sites. Facilitating collaborations will lead to faster and better studies in parts of the world where medical research has the greatest potential to improve public health and where communities are underrepresented in research. Sign up and upload your information today!



The LINK Registry is a searchable database of pregnancy and birth cohort studies. Its goal is to promote collaboration among researchers by sharing information on participant population, biospecimens and data collected and information about planned studies.

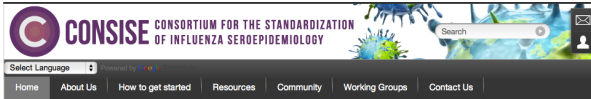
If your study includes, or plans to include, the collection of biospecimens or data from women, their children and families, we encourage you to register your study - no study is too small. The more studies entered into LINK, the greater the chance that researchers will find matches in their interest areas – see more info here:

<http://mother-childlink.tghn.org/link-registry/>

The Global Health Network ([www.theglobalhealthnetwork.org](http://www.theglobalhealthnetwork.org)): Visit today and see how you can benefit from exchanging knowledge, sharing research methods, acquiring new skills and building partnerships with peers, which will advance your work.

Contact us on: [info@theglobalhealthnetwork.org](mailto:info@theglobalhealthnetwork.org)

## Welcoming CONSISE and Global Health Methodology Research to the network



The Consortium for the Standardization of Influenza Seroepidemiology (**CONSISE**) is a global partnership aiming to standardize influenza seroepidemiology and develop comprehensive influenza investigation protocols to inform public health policy.

This site currently includes uploads of useful resources, including presentations, background documents as well as template protocols for Novel coronavirus (nCOV) and avian influenza (H7N9). You can find more information at this link: <http://consise.org>



A community of researchers who are interested in supporting the generation of more and better evidence to drive improvements in health across the globe has been set up on the network.

As this professional community of research methodology grows, the intention is that suggested research ideas are shared. In addition there are plans to offer template or outline methodology studies that can be taken and adapted to use as add-on studies to clinical research studies and trials. You can find out more information at this link:

<http://www.globalresearchmethods.org>

## Also new - Global Health Technologies Coalition: Regulatory Requirements Database

**The Global Health Regulatory Requirements Database** is unique resource designed to help researchers and regulatory affairs professionals access the information they need to develop effective strategies for gaining approval to conduct clinical trials and market products. The database includes high-level regulatory information on a variety of countries in Africa, Asia, and Latin America, as well as links to key guidance documents and other resources where users can find more detailed information. Information users can access includes: contact information for national regulatory authority regulators, information on the country's IRB structure, an overview of clinical trial and product registration data requirements, costs, timelines, and post-registration pharmacovigilance requirements.

The Global Health Regulatory Requirements Database offers users easy navigation from country to country, and separates technology-specific information into three categories—drugs, vaccines, and diagnostics. Information will be reviewed and updated regularly to ensure its accuracy, as well as to expand the country and data offerings included. The database was developed by the Global Health Technologies Coalition, housed at PATH, with funding from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.



Global Health  
Technologies Coalition

You can find out more information at this link:

<http://regulatory.ghtcoalition.org>

## The Global Health Network continues to grow

As of the 15<sup>th</sup> of May 2013, we are happy to report that the network continues to show strong interest and growth:

- Over 140,000 visits,
- From over 170 countries/regions, including most low- and middle-income countries, and
- Over 20 individual member areas on the network.

The Global Health Network was set up and is run on a core operational funding grant from:

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The Global Health Network ([www.theglobalhealthnetwork.org](http://www.theglobalhealthnetwork.org)): Discussions online have helped clinical trial groups improve and guide their studies, such as developing consent forms and data management solutions. Follow us on Twitter (@info\_TGHN) and on Facebook ([www.facebook.com/TheGlobalHealthNetwork](http://www.facebook.com/TheGlobalHealthNetwork)).