Welcome to The Global Health Network's Coordinator Digest this **April** – your update with news, events and updates from across The Global Health Network.

Thanks to everyone who was able to join last month's virtual coffee morning. The next one is on April 26th, and again will be relatively agenda free, but I will talk a little about webinars and workshops from the perspective of engaging communities of practice.

# Coordinator's coffee morning: Building and sustaining global health communities

The next meeting will be on April 26, at 12pm UK time. You can register for it here:

**EVENT CLOSED** 

# Onboarding sessions recordings

We've been conducting in-house onboarding sessions for The Global Health Network coordinators, and are sharing recordings of these on the coordinators hub here:

https://globalhealthcoordinators.tghn.org/onboarding/

### **Notices**

# Introducing the MRC Clinical Trials Unit (MRC CTU) at UCL Capacity Strengthening Hub

The MRC CTU at UCL Capacity Strengthening Hub is designed to provide a wealth of resources for individuals and organisations working on clinical trials, observational studies, and meta-analysis across the globe. Tools and resources have been developed to cover the design, conduct, analysis, and knowledge transfer and exchange of clinical trials and studies. Upcoming training opportunities and relevant short courses will be advertised on the hub and a mentoring scheme and the functionality to contribute resources will be added shortly.

As the hub is new, it could be useful for coordinators to visit it here: <a href="https://mrcctu.tghn.org/">https://mrcctu.tghn.org/</a>

If you do, please complete a feedback form to have your say on what should feature on the Hub in the future: https://mrcctu.tghn.org/contact/feedback-form/

## **Coordinator resources**

- For ongoing updates as well as an array of resources to support you in your knowledge exchange role, please also visit the Global Health Coordinators Hub.
- Coordinator contacts page: Find the contact details for coordinators of all hubs. If there are colleagues who should be included in this email, please let me know by replying.
- Struggling to design pages on your hub using the CMS? Please read our
  HTML guide! It provides templates of page styles for you to copy and adapt
  for your own pages, along with tips on how to edit HTML to edit text colour,
  links and more.
- Assigning a Digital Object Identifier to content published on the platform (Templates, Toolkits, SOPs, Guidance, Articles, Reports, videos, etc). If you are interested in adding DOIs for any material, please let us know.

#### **Hub resources**

- Resources gateway An interactive library of hundreds of free and open access resources found across the whole of The Global Health Network.
- Toolkits resources Access a range of toolkits to help you support your team plan and conduct locally relevant trials.
- Research careers resources From interview planning to appraisals, we have collected together a range of resources to help you with your clinical research career.
- Protocol Development steps: Available in Spanish, Portuguese and French.

## **Webinars and Workshops**

# Promoting intersectoral action for brain health: a focus on dementia 5 May 2023

The World Health Organization has outlined the need for intersectoral action to improve brain health around the world - but how do we achieve this? Our chair, speaker and panel will discuss using intersectoral approaches in dementia, covering both the healthcare setting and community. We will describe practical approaches that can be taken with limited resource.

#### Register

# Novel trial designs for old problems 19 May 2023

Everyone is excited about new ideas for clinical trial design to make them more efficient. Randomised trials provide the most robust evidence about new interventions, as they control known and unknown confounders. Over the last 50 years, huge progress has been made in healthcare by improving a "standard-of-care" regimen through a series of generally two-arm,

randomised controlled trials vs tightly controlling Type I error (false-positive rate). Over the last decade, "platform" trial designs, comparing multiple new interventions vs this "standard-of-care", have speeded up delivery of effective new interventions. However, despite the huge threats of antimicrobial resistance to the delivery of safe healthcare, advances in antibiotic treatment have been very limited.

This webinar is launching the MRC Clinical Trials Unit (MRC CTU) at UCL Capacity Strengthening Hub (https://mrcctu.tghn.org/) so before the talk you will have a brief demonstration of the Hub showing how to navigate the many resources.

Register

#### **Recordings and Materials Available Now:**

Epidemic Ethics seminar series	Watch the Epidemic Ethics seminar series here
Implementing the World Health Organization's neurology revolution	Watch the recording
The Global Health Network onboarding sessions	Watch the onboarding sessions

For all past webinar and workshop recordings, and to see upcoming events, please visit our Events page, and subscribe to our YouTube channel.

### Get Involved!

- Please disseminate this information through your networks.
- If you want to share any information, events, or updates of your hub contact
  me and we will include them in the next Coordinator Digest and across the
  Network.
- If you'd like to host a webinar or workshop, please do get in contact. We have lots
  of guidance available to support scoping and getting set-up, available in the
  Coordinators Hub. All ideas are welcome!

Best regards.

Adam and The Global Health Network team

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