



Dear Colleagues,

Want to learn how to be a good trial manager? Join our upcoming webinar that will feature clinical trial managers from Vietnam, Zimbabwe and the UK. Speakers will share their insights, personal experiences, and top tips.

Also, the World Health Organization's public consultation on clinical trials best practices is closing soon. Don't miss this opportunity to provide your insights that can shape the future of clinical trials and make a difference in healthcare research.

Here are the latest news and upcoming events from The Global Health Network.

Upcoming Events

Hybrid Workshop: Grant Writing in Research for Nurses and Midwives

Hybrid Workshop
Grant Writing in Research for Nurses and Midwives
Forest Cottages, Kampala, Uganda / Zoom
Sept 30th 2023, 9:00-16:00 Kampala | 7:00-14:00 London

REGISTER*

* In person registrations accepted until midnight 10/09/2023.

  

Saturday, 30 September 2023 | 09:00 – 16:00 GMT+3 (Kampala Time) | 07:00 – 14:00 UK

The primary aim of this workshop is to equip nurses and midwives with the necessary skills in grant writing for research purposes.

Learning objectives:

- Define the concept of grant writing and its significance in research funding.
- Describe the funding context and landscape for grant applications.
- Identify and understand the general components of a grant application.
- Gain insights into key factors influencing funding organisations' decision-making processes.
- Discuss and internalise the principles of successful grant writing to enhance their chances of securing research funding.

This workshop is taking place in Uganda and has been made hybrid to facilitate wider online participation. Certificates of Attendance will be issued for those that meet criteria.

For more information please visit: [Uganda Workshop 2023](#)

To attend this workshop online please register below.

Register for the Hybrid Workshop: Grant Writing in Research for Nurses and Midwives

Webinar: How to be a good Trial Manager (TM)

Wednesday, 4 October 2023 | 10:00 – 11:15 BST

The MRC Clinical Trials Unit (MRC CTU) at UCL Capacity Strengthening Hub are excited to announce the webinar on 'How to be a Good Trial Manager'. This is the second in a series of webinars each focusing on a different role in clinical trials. In this webinar, a panel of four experienced Trial Managers from Africa, Asia, and Europe will share valuable insights, personal experiences, and top tips. Following presentations, there will be an interactive discussion where you will have the opportunity to ask questions and engage with the speakers.

This webinar is for early or mid-career researchers who have some experience of being a study or site Trial Manager and wish to enhance their skills.

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News

Your valuable insights can shape the future of clinical trials – participate in the World Health Organization's public consultation and make a difference in healthcare research

The draft World Health Organization guidance for best practices for clinical trials is now open for public consultation. It was developed in response to a request to the WHO Director-General in resolution WHA75.8 to support strengthening of trial capabilities, infrastructures and ecosystems. This document intends to provide guidance on planning, conduct, analysis, oversight, interpretation and funding of trials using randomisation to assess effects of any health intervention for any purpose in any setting. Your expertise can

help refine and improve the guidance, ensuring its effectiveness in any setting worldwide.

The consultation is due to close on 15 September 2023.

Public consultation on WHO guidance for best practices for clinical trials

Reminder: Applications are open for the Global Research Nurses Pump-priming Grants 2023: Research Project Award

For nurses and midwives who want to undertake research projects, there is still a chance to apply for the Global Research Nurses Pump-priming Grants 2023: Research Project Award. With this award, Global Research Nurses and The Global Health Network are offering small pump-priming grants ranging from £2,000 to £10,000 specifically for nursing and midwifery-led research relevant to low and middle-income countries (LMICs).

Grants are intended to cover the costs of conducting small new research projects, such as proof-of-principle studies, and aim to empower nurses and midwives to assume research leadership positions within their institutions and communities.

If you have an idea for improving patient care through evidence-based decision-making, whether that is an innovative intervention, a new approach to education or a way to boost healthcare practices and outcomes in LMICs, this could be your opportunity to get involved in research that can make an important impact.

Funds for the scheme are limited and will be awarded competitively. The application deadline is 23:59 (BST), Saturday 30 September 2023.

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The Global Health Network Asia Data Science Club Sessions on R in Epidemiology

A Data Science Club was recently launched by The Global Health Network (TGHN) Asia in Bangladesh to foster collaborations and address data science challenges across various disciplines. This club aims to promote efficient networking among researchers and the sharing of insights related to data management and analysis, and research methodologies.

As part of its first two sessions, a hybrid workshop on "Introduction to R in Epidemiology" was organised on 17 & 18 July 2023, in collaboration with HDR UK, icddr,b, Fiocruz, and Africa CDC.

The workshop covered topics such as R syntax, data cleaning, analysis, and visualisation. The session moderator and trainer provided hands-on training in R and emphasised practical applications of the statistical package. Feedback from the participants was highly positive, with recommendations for future workshops focusing on

categorisation by skill level, language adaptations, and a "training of trainers" approach to ensure the platform's long-term sustainability. Learn more and watch the recordings.

Data Science Club: Sessions 1 & 2

Webinar Recording: Advocacy for Congenital Disorders and Rare Diseases in Sub-Saharan Africa: An Expert Discussion

Health advocacy relates to activities that help patients access and navigate healthcare, influence healthcare policies and create systemic change to address health inequalities. Rare diseases (RD) and congenital disorders (CD) are often overlooked and misunderstood, leading to delayed diagnosis/misdiagnosis, limited allocated resources, and inadequate support for those impacted.

The majority of global deaths due to CD/RD in children under 5 are seen in low and middle-income countries (LMICs), with those in Sub-Saharan Africa (SSA) facing the greatest risk. There is an urgent need to build capacity and expertise and to strengthen healthcare related to CD/RD.

In this recent webinar from the sub-Saharan African Congenital Anomalies Network (sSCAN), a panel of key advocacy stakeholders participated in a guided discussion regarding advocacy for rare diseases and congenital disorders in SSA. Watch the recording:

Sub-Saharan Congenital Anomalies Network Workshops

Richard T Johnson Lecture Recording: The Neurology of Snakebite

In this Richard T Johnson lecture, which was part of the Liverpool Neurological Infectious Diseases Course, Professor Sir David Warrell from the University of Oxford presented on the Neurology of Snakebite. Professor Sir David Warrell is the Emeritus Professor of Tropical Medicine, and formerly head of the Nuffield Department of Clinical Medicine. Watch the recording:

Brain Infections Webinars

Good Clinical Trials Collaborative and leading clinical trial networks join forces to improve clinical research in low resource settings

The Global Health Network joins forces with the Good Clinical Trials Collaborative alongside Advance-ID Network, Africa Health Research Institute and Oxford University Clinical Research Unit to promote best practices for randomized controlled trials (RCTs) in low-resource settings.

Introducing the Good Trials Prism - an exciting collaboration dedicated to enhancing the

quality of evidence generated by RCTs in Latin America, Southeast Asia and South Africa by applying the five principles of a good trial. Discover more about the partnership.

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PediCAP trial completes recruitment, investigating more child-friendly treatment options for severe community-acquired pneumonia

PediCAP is a 5-year research project focused on antibiotic therapy of severe and very severe childhood community-acquired pneumonia. The PediCAP team is pleased to report that the 1,100 patients required for the main trial in this study have now been recruited. The EDCTP funded clinical trial is using a novel durations design led by the MRC Clinical Trials Unit that is studying the optimal drug, dose and duration of oral step-down antibiotics for children admitted to hospital with severe community-acquired pneumonia. Children included in the trial are aged between 2 months and 6 years and have been recruited in district and tertiary hospitals in Mozambique, South Africa, Uganda, Zambia, and Zimbabwe.

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Science for Africa Foundation is seeking your insights to bridge development, application, and policy gaps of AI and Data Science in Africa

Science for Africa (SFA) Foundation is seeking to build an understanding of the gaps in national, regional and continental policies for the development, application and governance of AI and Data Science in global health across the continent. Emphasis is placed on, but not limited to, policies for data science and AI applications for Genomics, Epidemics and Pandemics, Clinical trials, and Drug development. Understanding trends and gaps will inform stakeholders to influence policy, and strengthen the research and innovation landscape. The SFA Foundation is requesting those involved in African AI and data science to participate in their policy convening survey. This survey can be taken in English and French. Take part:

Science for Africa Foundation AI and data science policy convening

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