

Dear Colleagues,

Are you a health practitioner or researcher looking to make a difference in tackling disease or global outbreaks? The new CEPI Technical Resources Hub aims to bring together knowledge, tools and methods to support vaccine researchers, developers, and anybody working on or interested in the field of epidemic preparedness.

Here's all the latest from The Global Health Network.

News

Launch of CEPI Technical Resources (CTR) Hub to help accelerate vaccine development for priority pathogens of concern



Image credit: World Bank

The Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI) has launched a new Technical Resources Hub in collaboration with The Global Health Network. The CTR Hub serves as a comprehensive knowledge-sharing tool. The platform consolidates essential knowledge, tools, and resources to support vaccine research and development.

The hub aims to enhance collaboration and accelerate the development of vaccines against World Health Organization (WHO) and CEPI-identified priority pathogens of

concern. The CTR is tailored to spotlight valuable resources relevant to our diverse audience and the ecosystem of vaccine developers.

Check in regularly as the CTR project evolves, including ways to partner with CEPI and current Calls for Proposals.

Explore the CEPI Technical Resources Hub

ODIN Consortium to implement wastewater and environmental surveillance for mpox in Sub-Saharan Africa

The ODIN Consortium has secured emergency funding from Global Health EDCTP3 to implement wastewater and environmental surveillance for mpox in Sub-Saharan Africa in response to the ongoing mpox outbreak. The project aims to implement wastewater and genomic surveillance systems to monitor mpox in the environment, providing early detection of the virus and guiding public health interventions such as vaccination and resource distribution in high-risk areas. The ODIN-MPox project aims to analyse mpox sub lineages to understand their impact and inform global strategies for future outbreaks. By leveraging these advanced methods, ODIN-Mpox aims to mitigate the outbreak and contribute to global preparedness against the virus.

ODIN-Mpox: Implementing wastewater and environmental surveillance for Mpox in Sub-Saharan Africa

Register: Launch webinar for WHO guidance for best practices for clinical trials

Date: 25 September 2024 12:00 (UTC+1)

This webinar focuses on transforming clinical trials through the sharing of best practices.

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New Essential Reading List for Data Managers, with certification

The fifth Essential Reading List for Data Managers is now available. The lists aim to enable people working in specific roles or areas of clinical trials and studies to easily find a range of relevant resources. A certificate can be obtained by taking the quiz after reading / watching the resources, but this is optional.

Feedback on the first four lists:

- 100% said reading lists with quizzes and certification, is 'useful' or 'very useful'
- 87% said the reading lists are 'excellent' or 'very useful' and
- 100% said the content of the reading lists is 'Excellent/Very good'.

Users commented:

- "The [trial set-up] reading list is vital as it equips us with knowledge and skills."
- "This is so helpful, there is a real lack of 'official' training for Trial Managers, so resources like this are great."
- The lists give "Essential information" and "All resources are very helpful."

The fifth Essential Reading List for Data Managers is now available on the MRC Clinical Trials Unit at UCL Capacity Strengthening Hub.

Essential Reading Lists

HeLTI ECR Seminar Series - Visual development during the COVID-19 pandemic

Date: 23 September 2024 - 13:00 (UTC+1) Presenter: Gabriel (Naiqi) Xiao, Ph.D

Affiliation: McMaster University, Department of Psychology, Neuroscience & Behavior.

Decades of research have discovered the role of sensory experience in the development of perceptual capacities. Focusing on face perception, a fundamental visual perceptual ability, Gabriel (Naiqi) Xiao's work has consistently shown how infants' visual perceptual abilities were shaped by the visual experience via its statistical characteristics. This event explores the impact of COVID-19 on infants' perceptual development.

Register for HeLTI Early Career Researcher Seminar Series - Visual Development During the COVID-19 Pandemic

ODIN Project AGM in Dar es Salaam Focuses on Enhancing Environmental Surveillance and Public Health Initiatives

ODIN Consortium Annual General Meeting (AGM) took place on 20-21 June 2024 at Dar es Salaam, attended by project stakeholders. The AGM focused on enhancing environmental surveillance to advance public health initiatives.

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Get Involved: The National Institute for Health and Care Research (NIHR) Community Engagement and Involvement (CEI) Opportunities

NIHR CEI Virtual Advisory Panel Member

<u>NIHR Global Health Research Programme</u> is inviting expressions of interest for new members of their CEI Virtual Advisory Panel. The panel will bring together people with local knowledge and experience of engaging and involving communities in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs).

Interested applicants must email <u>ceiglobalhealth@nihr.ac.uk</u> to request an 'Expression of Interest' form and submit the completed form by 14 October 2024. Please include 'NIHR Virtual Advisory Panel' in the subject line.

Reviewer for Global Health Policy and Systems Research Funding Proposal

NIHR are seeking community engagement and involvement (CEI) reviewers for the latest Global Health Policy and Systems Research (HPSR) funding proposal. This opportunity is ideal for academics or practitioners with experience in leading, designing or implementing CEI activities in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs). To find out more or apply, please email: ceiglobalhealth@nihr.ac.uk before 30 September 2024.

Find community engagement practitioners and colleagues on the Mesh Global Community of Practice map

Mesh is a free, collaborative, open-access knowledge hub and networking project for people working in community engagement with global health research. This hub provides a neutral online space where community and public engagement practitioners, researchers, health workers and others can network, share resources and discuss good practice. Find and collaborate with community engagement practitioners in global health:

Mesh Collaborate

World Patient Safety Day: Improving diagnosis for patient safety through research

Today is World Patient Safety Day 2024, an initiative led by the World Health Organization (WHO). This year is focused on improving diagnosis for patient safety, using the theme "Get it right, make it safe!" One of the greatest challenges in achieving correct and timely diagnoses, especially in low-resource settings, is the lack of research-driven approaches that healthcare professionals can rely on. The Global Health Network is dedicated to addressing this gap by providing a platform for healthcare professionals to share knowledge, collaborative and identify evidence-based methods that can reduce diagnostic errors. Get started with free eLearning courses to support global health research.

The Global Health Training Centre

Inviting students to apply for Partial Masters Studentships

KEMRI-Wellcome Trust Research Programme (KWTRP) is offering sponsorship opportunities for talented masters' students wishing to execute research projects in Nairobi or Kilifi, Kenya. The placement will provide opportunities for recipients to carry out projects within a high-quality research environment, under the supervision and mentorship of internationally renowned KWTRP scientists.

Interested applicants must apply by 23 September 2024 and be registered at a local university in Kenya. If awarded, the studentship applicant will receive a stipend for up to 12 months.

Partial Masters Studentships

Events

Webinar coming soon - Mpox: Understanding the Risks and Strengthening Preventive Measures

The Global Health Network Africa Region is organising an upcoming webinar on mpox (formerly known as monkeypox) to raise awareness about the virus, its transmission, and

preventive strategies. This event will explore key insights into the virus, its modes of transmission, and strategies for prevention, with a particular focus on how African communities can better protect themselves. Don't miss this opportunity to learn and take action!

More details will be shared soon, and updates will be available on The Global Health Network Africa Region Hub.

Sign-up for updates from The Global Health Network Africa

Watch the latest online events or access the full library of recordings

The Global Health Network is pleased to share the latest event recordings, which can be viewed or re-watched:

What is a Pathfinder Study? Tools and Benefits

Global Strategies for Policy Engagement: Insights from Kenya, Argentina, and India - This webinar replay is also available in English, Portuguese, and Spanish.

Improving Follow-Up and Retention in Clinical Trials: Perspectives from Ghana

Empowering Communities - Innovative Approaches to Al Health Research and Engagement

- Day One: Understanding Community Engagement: The Foundations
- <u>Day Two: Strategies for Effective Community Engagement and Building Sustainable Partnerships</u>

This webinar is also multilingual and is available in English, French, Spanish and Portuguese.

Please also check this page for details of new or upcoming webinars and virtual workshops.

View past events

The Global Health Training Centre

Discover free eLearning courses in global health research for staff of all roles, in all regions and covering all disease areas, developed by The Global Health Network in collaboration with several partners. Explore courses: <u>eLearning Courses</u>

Catch up on or join the latest workshops and webinars on global health research, spanning research disciplines, regions, and therapeutic areas, aiming to foster collaboration, facilitate discussion, and celebrate advances and achievements towards faster and better research for health: Webinars & Workshops

The Global Health Network is busy delivering skills and knowledge across the globe, supporting research to happen in places and communities where evidence is needed to change outcomes in the most devastating diseases. Access to all this is free, and always will be, whether an online course or a research support clinic in a hospital.

Over the past 15 years all this has enabled many thousands of frontline health workers and research teams to undertake quality research that otherwise would have been out of reach. This community has responded to outbreaks such as Ebola, Zika, COVID and now Mpox, whilst also working every day to tackle the ongoing toll from diseases of poverty that blight communities.

Have you attended a webinar or taken a course? Have you recommended any of the tools and resources to your team or collaborators? Many thousands of people have. This is wonderful and together we are a proud community, working to share quality know-how across disease areas and between types of research and different teams. All aiming to enable equity in access to undertaking and benefiting from research.

If you know how valuable The Global Health Network is, please can you help us to keep this facility being the unique and remarkable source of support and access to information that it is? Can you make a donation?

Or, do you work for an organisation that benefits from this and could also afford to help support this provision? Please can you pass this to the head of training, research or capacity building and explain the value of The Global Health Network to your work and suggest that it would be appropriate, and a good thing, for your organisation to contribute, not just because of the benefits that being able to access The Global Health Network delivers to your research, but also because their contribution would support access for other organisations and teams who cannot afford to access such training and resources by any other means.

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