

Dear Colleagues,

How can community engagement and generative AI transform global health research?

Explore upcoming events on approaches to equitable, ethical, and systems-driven innovation and practices.

Also, stay tuned for the launch of the updated ICH GCP E6(R3) free eLearning course which is coming soon.

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

Upcoming Webinar

Enhancing Health Systems Research Through Community and Stakeholder Engagement

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July 29 2025 12:30 GMT | 13:30 BST/WAT | 15:30 EAT



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How can we make health systems research more impactful, ethical, and responsive to real-world needs? Join this webinar where researchers from Tanzania, Rwanda, and Argentina will share their experiences in engaging communities and stakeholders in health systems research.

This webinar is organised by Mesh, an online network for people working in community engagement with global health research.

News

Advancing Responsible AI in Health: A Global Community of Practice in Action

The Global Health Network and its regional partners are advancing responsible AI in health through a series of in-person regional workshops supported by the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) and the UK Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office.

In Argentina, the workshop <u>AI and Health: From Research to Action</u> took place from 3 - 6 June 2025. It brought together researchers and implementers to address practical barriers to scaling AI for equitable health outcomes.

On 2 July 2025, the workshop <u>Artificial Intelligence for Health Systems</u> <u>Transformation</u> was held in Egypt. Co-hosted by WHO EMRO, it explored ethical, policy, and technical challenges to Al adoption in health systems.

The next workshop, the <u>Africa Al Health Forum</u>, also supported by the Science for Africa Foundation, will take place on 24 July 2025 in Ghana.

Learn more:

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Coming Soon: Updated ICH Good Clinical Practice (GCP) Free eLearning Course

The Global Health Network's ICH GCP E6(R3) open-access online course has been completely restructured and updated based on the latest International Harmonisation Conference (ICH) E6(R3) guidelines for Good Clinical Practice (GCP), recently published.

In this new version, the course allows an integrated learning approach where the principles of GCP are not learned in isolation but integrated into real situations of each phase of the research process, from design to closure, emphasising justice, equity and applied ethics. The implementation of these recommendations will help to increase the number of studies led by local researchers, improving their quality and promoting greater equity in research and the generation of needed evidence in each context.

Upon completion of this course, participants are expected to:

- Understand the basic principles of GCP and its relevance to clinical research.
- Apply participant-centred practices, adequate risk management, and quality in the design and execution of clinical trials.
- Adapt GCP practices in diverse research environments and other study designs

Stay tuned for the launch.

The Global Health Network Latin America and the Caribbean Holds Annual Meeting in Lima, Peru to Advance Regional Research Capacity, Collaboration, and Impact

The 2025 Annual Steering Committee Meeting of The Global Health Network Latin America and the Caribbean was held in Lima, Peru, hosted by Universidad Peruana Cayetano Heredia (UPCH). Representatives from Instituto de Efectividad Clínica y Sanitaria – IECS (Argentina), Fiocruz (Brazil), Universidad del Valle (Colombia), Instituto Antonio Vidal (Honduras), Fundación Etikos (Dominican Republic), UPCH (Peru), and the University of Oxford (UK) participated.

Activities began on June 18 with open sessions on biobanks, nursing research, and scientific integrity, followed by two days of closed committee meetings. Partners reviewed Year 2 progress, assessed deliverables, discussed monitoring and impact indicators, and shared insights from collaborative work across institutions. The group also identified shared priorities and reinforced the importance of strengthening research capacity in the region. The meeting consolidated the programme's role as a strategic and active platform for applied health research in Latin America and the Caribbean.

Read more (Spanish, English and Portuguese):

The Global Health Network LAC Consortium Partners Advance Regional Agenda at Annual Steering Committee Meeting in Lima, Peru

New Resource in Spanish: Guide for Developing Implementation Research Protocol Profiles

This technical guide is a practical source of information for students, technical teams, health professionals and researchers interested in the design of applied implementation research studies in low and middle-income countries. Developed by the Hospital Escuela, through the Antonio Vidal Institute of Infectious Diseases and Parasitology (IAV) in Honduras, as part of The Global Health Network Latin America and the Caribbean programme.

Learn about the conceptual basis on implementation research, practical recommendations for structuring protocols, ethical considerations and key resources, adapted to real contexts with limited resources and examples from Honduras. With this practical approach, this guide aims to facilitate the development of protocols to generate contextualized, ethical and culturally relevant evidence to strengthen health systems.

Read more about the implementation research protocol guide (Spanish)

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