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Dear Colleagues,

Two years ago, the ODIN consortium set out to transform infectious disease surveillance in Africa. Now it's time to see the impact, the team will present their progress, challenges and lessons from building local capacity and advancing wastewater surveillance for real-time public health action. Don't miss this webinar.

Also, if you missed last month's free online workshop on grant writing, the recordings and resources are now available. One viewer said: "This workshop is amazingly insightful and very detailed, the experienced presenters are awesome delivering perfectly. Thank you so much."

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

Upcoming Events

LactaHub online workshop – The Role of Fathers in Supporting Mothers' Breastfeeding Journeys





Free Online Workshop

The role of fathers in supporting mothers' breastfeeding journey



REGISTER NOW

Date: Thursday, 27 November 2025 | Time: 10:00am UTC



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Date & time: 27 November 2025 | 10:00-11:30 UTC

Breastfeeding is widely recognized as the best nutrition for infants, with well-documented benefits for child survival, health, and development, as well as maternal health. While mothers are at the center of breastfeeding, fathers play a vital yet often underestimated role. When fathers are well-informed and provide active support, mothers are more likely to breastfeed. However, fathers are frequently overlooked in breastfeeding education. Health systems and communities tend to address mothers directly, without systematically engaging fathers.

This workshop highlights the importance of fathers in breastfeeding and explores practical approaches for involving them effectively.

Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Webinar Series: One Health in Action

To mark World Antimicrobial Awareness Week (WAAW) 2025, The Global Health Network AMR Knowledge Hub and Community of Practice is hosting a four-part regional webinar series exploring how One Health strategies are addressing antimicrobial resistance (AMR) across the world. Learn more and register for each session below:

One Health in Action: African Strategies to Tackle AMR Across Human, Animal, and Environmental Health

18 November 2025 | 09:00 UTC

One Health in Action: Asian Strategies to Tackle AMR Across Human, Animal, and Environmental Health

19 November 2025 | 10:00 UTC

Spotlight on Nigeria

20 November 2025 | 09:00 UTC

One Health in Action: MENA Strategies to Tackle AMR Across Human, Animal, and Environmental Health

21 November 2025 | 10:00 UTC

6th Lisbeth Hockey Memorial Lecture: Nurse-Led Research that Transforms Communities: Insights and Experiences

Date & time: 2 December 2025 | 12:00 UTC

Speaker: Professor Champion N. Nyoni, PhD, MHPE, BSN Technical Officer, Health Work Force Education & Training, World Health Organization Africa Regional Office.

This is an excellent year-end event to reflect, celebrate and learn about how nurse-led research has impacted communities in Africa.

Professor Champion Nyoni, health professions education expert at WHO Africa, leads Health Workforce Education and Training. With experience across sub-Saharan Africa, he advances faculty development, curriculum innovation, and competency-based education for low-resource settings. His research builds community-oriented health workforces. Globally recognized, he drives transformative initiatives to reimagine education systems across Africa.

This event is organised by Global Research Nurses, part of The Global Health Network and the International Collaboration for Community Health Nursing Research (ICCHNR).

Register for the webinar: 6th Lisbeth Hockey Memorial Lecture: Nurse-Led Research that Transforms Communities: Insights and Experiences

Utilising Environmental Surveillance to Advance Public Health Action in Africa: The ODIN Wastewater Surveillance Project Experience

Date & time: 4 December 2025 | 13:00-14:45 UTC

Wastewater surveillance offers a powerful way to track infectious diseases and strengthen health systems.

The ODIN project aims to build a sustainable, low-cost genomic surveillance model in resource-limited settings, enhancing local skills and real-time data use. Through collaboration and innovation, it shows how science can protect communities and improve access to clean water.

This webinar will highlight ODIN's progress, challenges, and lessons, inspiring a more resilient and informed future for global health.

Register for the webinar: Utilising Environmental Surveillance to Advance Public Health Action in Africa: The ODIN Wastewater Surveillance Project Experience

Building Capacity and Collaboration in Health Research: Lessons from Pathfinder Studies in Latin America and the Caribbean

Date & time: 11 December 2025 | 14:00 UTC

Health research faces challenges ranging from skills gaps to limitations in infrastructure, data management, and coordination between actors. To address these challenges and advance in a collaborative and innovative way, The Global Health Network Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) has implemented Pathfinder studies. Pathfinder studies document processes, identify obstacles and solutions, strengthen local capacities, and promote networks that accelerate innovation in health research.

In this webinar, researchers will share the findings of the pathfinder studies and experiences of how these have been applied in epidemiological surveillance, clinical trials and community participation. The webinar also aims to encourage dialogue on how pathfinder studies can drive new practices, methodologies, and collaborations to transform health research in the region.

Register for the webinar: Building Capacity and Collaboration in Health Research: Lessons from Pathfinder Studies in Latin America and the Caribbean

An interdisciplinary journey to better understand and support people living with eating disorders in remote and rural areas

Date & time: 18 November 2025 | 13:00 UTC

The next Healthy Life Trajectories Initiative (HeLTI) Early Career Researcher and Trainee Seminar will feature Edith Breton, PhD. Dr Breton will share her unconventional path, from studying DNA to working with communities, shaped the way she approaches eating disorders research. Now based in Saguenay as an early career researcher and assistant professor at UQAC, she brings together genetics, neuroscience, psychology, and lived experience to study mental health in a way that connects biology, people, and place, even in the most remote regions. To join, visit:

HeLTI Webinars and Events

NIHR Community Engagement and Involvement Impact Showcase Event

Date & time: 25 November 2025 | 11:00-14:00 UTC

Community Engagement and Involvement (CEI) is a core principle of NIHR Global Health Research (GHR). When done well, it increases the relevance, success, and impact of research for those involved and affected. This event is an opportunity to hear from GHR project teams about examples of impactful CEI and their influence on research, policy, practice, and communities. Get inspired to design and deliver CEI that can really strengthen research, communities, and beyond. If you have any queries, please contact ceiglobalhealth@nihr.ac.uk.

Register for the NIHR Community Engagement and Involvement Impact
Showcase event

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Online Grant Writing Workshop – Recordings and Resources Now Available

The Online Grant Writing Workshop, organised by The Global Health Network and the Wellcome-funded Pathogen Variants Network, was a rewarding and engaging event that brought together researchers and experts to share their insights on grant proposal writing. Over the course of the sessions, speakers covered key aspects of the grant writing process, shared practical guidance on defining project goals, structuring budgets and timelines, and integrating community input into grant design and discussed what funders seek in proposals. More than 1,000 participants joined from over 110 countries.

Access the recordings and resources: Grant Writing Workshop Materials

Launch of the Research into Policy Toolkit

Turning research into real-world impact is a shared goal, but it is not always

straightforward. While significant progress has been made in clinical research on HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria, opportunities remain to strengthen how evidence informs policy and practice.

Challenges such as limited collaboration between researchers and policymakers, differences in working environments, and the need to tailor global evidence to local contexts can slow this process. But solutions are emerging.

The EDCTP Association and The Global Health Network are excited to launch the new open-access Research into Policy toolkit on the EDCTP Knowledge Hub. Explore the new toolkit:

Research into Policy Toolkit

Applications open for the University of Oxford's fully online part-time Postgraduate Diploma in Global Health Research

The course is based on the evidence-led Essential Research Skills Training Curriculum for Health Research which was developed as a collaboration between The Global Health Network, UNICEF, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the World Bank and WHO Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases. The programme is based on a study that involved over 7,000 participants from 153 countries. This makes the diploma the first of its kind where all the core skills and component steps identified to undertake quality, practical and appropriate health research studies are covered, making it relevant for research into any disease, in all types of studies, and in any setting.

This part time course is suitable for busy professionals who want to keep working or cannot travel, and aims to tackle inequities in health research leadership. Learn more:

Postgraduate Diploma in Global Health Research

New course: Data and Sample Governance for Biomedical Research

Biomedical research increasingly depends on the responsible collection, management, and reuse of large datasets and biological samples. This course introduces the principles and practices of data and sample governance to ensure that biomedical resources are managed ethically, legally, and effectively, while enabling their reuse for future research and innovation.

Developed jointly by ESCMID and ECRAID, in collaboration with CERCLE, CoMeCT, IDDO, MORU, and The Global Health Network, the course provides a hands-on introduction to data governance frameworks, ethical and legal requirements, and practical approaches to managing biomedical research data and samples in alignment with regulatory principles and ethical guidance. Participants who complete all modules will receive a Certificate of Completion, issued by ESCMID.

Watch Recording: A Novel, Targeted Approach to Study Season of Birth Effects on Neurodevelopment and Psychopathology

The most recent Healthy Life Trajectories Initiative (HeLTI) Early Career Researcher and Trainee Seminar featured Dr. Robert Levitan. He presented a review and critique of an extensive body of work that started almost 100 years ago linking season-of-birth to various psychiatric and neurological conditions. A new model to improve the translational value of this work at an individual pregnancy level was presented, focusing on maternal trait seasonality as the key moderating variable. Watch the replay:

HeLTI Seminars 2025

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