# The Global Health and Population Weekly Digest

Your weekly summary of department news updates, research activities, events and available opportunities

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# The International Health Systems Program announces Kevin Croke, Assistant Professor of Global Health, will take over as Director this July

On July 1st, Kevin Croke, Assistant Professor of Global Health in the Department of Global Health and Population, will take over as Director of The International Health Systems Program (IHSP). After 18 years as Director, Thomas Bossert, Senior Lecturer on Global Health Policy, who has served as the program's Director since 2004 will retire in June. IHSP has supported health system research projects and executive training programs for low- and middle-income countries and their research programs have been funded by USAID, World Bank, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation amongst others and includes research on decentralization and on sustainability of donor funded primary health care projects in several countries. The program implemented several sessions of the Harvard World Bank Flagship Course on Health System Strengthening in the US and other countries, including Ukraine, and a recent multiyear project in South Africa supported two universities to develop their own executive training programs. The executive training programs at the Chan School and online include courses on decentralization, human resources management and quality as well as several contract courses on health system innovations for Latin American executives and masters students. Please join the department in thanking Tom Bossert for his leadership and welcoming Kevin Croke as the new IHSP Faculty Director.

## **Department Announcements**

The GHP AP Team hosts weekly virtual office hours: Updated information!

Offered weekly <u>Via Zoom</u> each Wednesday from 1pm – 2pm EST and will be lead by AP Team members Jonathan Yong, Chinwe Nwaka-Crockett, and Vianny Diaz.

Open to all GHP faculty, staff and students. Please bring any questions regarding AP process, policy, systems, forms, troubleshooting, feedback or any additional AP issues you are having. The team can also help you troubleshoot Concur and/or Buy-2-Pay challenges you are facing.

#### WGH Conference Stipends now Accepting applications through Friday, April 29th, 2022.

The Women, Gender and Health Interdisciplinary Concentration would like to announce a call for conference stipend applications. Open to HSPH students to support attendance or presentations at conferences that have a clear gender analysis component to public health research. Stipends can cover expenses to be used for in-person or online attendance and registration for conferences. Funding limit is \$750 (USD) for US-based conferences and \$1,000 for conferences outside the United States.

Applications close Friday, April 29th. Please email WGH@hsph.harvard.edu to apply.

# **Upcoming Events**





Department of Global Health

#### THURSDAY BROWN BAG SEMINAR

Barry S. Levy, MD, MPH



From Horror to Hope: **Recognizing and Preventing the Health Impacts of War** 

Thursday, April 21st 01.00 PM ET

02.00 PM ET via Zoom



E: blevy@igc.org W: http://hsph.me/BB\_GHP The GHP Thursday Brown Bag Seminar From Horror to Hope: Recognizing and Preventing the Health Impacts of War Thursday, April 21 from 1-2pm EST via Zoom

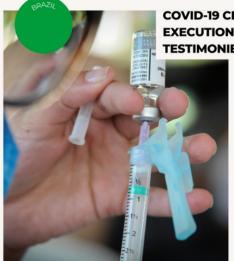
Join the Department of Global Health and Population on Zoom for our weekly Thursday Brown Bag Series. On April 21st, Barry S. Levy, MD, MPH, will present, "From Horror to Hope: Recognizing and Preventing the Health Impacts of War". Dr. Levy serves as Adjunct Professor of Public Health at Tufts University School of Medicine.

For questions, please contact Jessica Majano jmajanoguevara@hsph.harvard.edu

#### **APRIL 21, 2022**

#### 2:30PM ET

**IN-PERSON** 



COVID-19 CLINICAL TRIALS: PLANNING, **EXECUTION, ETHICS, & PARTICIPANT TESTIMONIES FROM BRAZIL** 

> CAROLINE BUCKEE Associate Director and Professor, Center

for Communicable Disease Dynamics, Department of Epidemiology, HSPH

RICHARD CASH

Senior Lecturer on Global Health, HSPH

AI-RIS YONEKURA COLLIER

Co-Director, Clinical Trials Unit, Center for Virology and Vaccine Research- Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center

SANDRA KOGUT

Filmmaker and Radcliffe-Film Study Center Fellow, Harvard Radcliffe Institute

Moderated by MARCIA CASTRO

Andelot Professor of Demography; Chair of the Department of Global Health and Population. Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health

ines. Besides being able to participate in the discussion, registrants will mentary "Volunteer \*\*\*1864," which portrays the experiences of ordinary







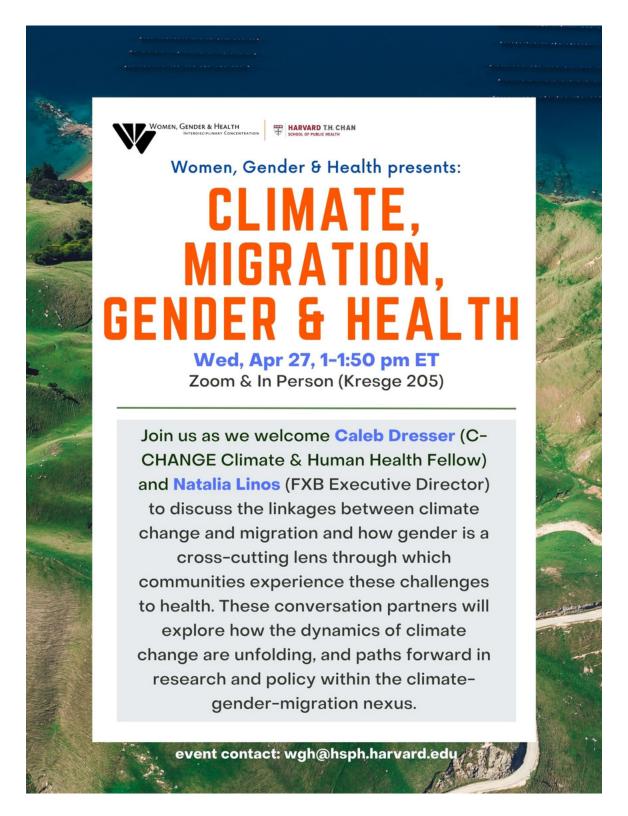


COVID-19 Clinical Trials: Planning, Execution, Ethics, and **Participant Testimonies from Brazil** Thursday, April 21 from 2:30-4:00pm EST | HSPH Kresge

Building, 1st floor, Room 110 Advanced registration required before 12PM ET April 21

A Limited number of Harvard affiliates are to register to participate in this multidisciplinary, in-person panel aimed at discussing the complexities of the COVID-19 clinical trials from the perspectives of those planning the trials to the volunteers on the receiving end of the vaccines. Registrants will also have access to view the Brazilian documentary "Volunteer \*\*\*1864," which portrays the experiences of ordinary Brazilians who volunteered to participate in COVID-19 clinical trials, directed by panelist Sandra Kogut. Capacity is limited so register now.

Speakers include, Caroline Buckee, Associate Director and Professor, Center for Communicable Disease Dynamics, Department of Epidemiology, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health (HSPH), Richard Cash, Senior Lecturer on Global Health, HSPH, Ai-ris Yonekura Collier, Co-Director, Clinical Trials Unit, Center for Virology and Vaccine Research- Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, and Sandra Kogut, Filmmaker and Radcliffe-Film Study Center Fellow, Harvard Radcliffe Institute. The event will be moderated by, Marcia Castro, Andelot Professor of Demography; Chair of the Department of Global Health and Population, HSPH.



Climate, Migration, Gender, and Health Wednesday, April 27 from 1-1:50pm ET HSPH Kresge 205 and via Zoom Register here for the in-person event Register for the Zoom event

This Earth Day, please join The Women, Gender & Health Interdisciplinary Concentration at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health for an event focused on Climate, Migration, Gender, and Health. This event will feature guest speakers **Caleb Dresser** (HSPH C-CHANGE Climate & Human Health Fellow) and **Natalia Linos** (Acting Director of the François-Xavier Bagnoud Center for Health and Human Rights) who will discuss the connection between climate change and migration from a gender and public health perspective.



#### FIRESIDE CHAT WITH

#### DR. MUHAMMAD ALI PATE

#### Thursday, April 28th 1-2pm, FXB G10 HSPH

Dr. Muhammad Ali Pate is the current Julio Frenk
Professor of the Practice of Public Health Leadership
at HSPH. Prior to this, he was the Global Director,
Health, Nutrition and Population (HNP) Global Practice
of the World Bank and the Director of Global Financing
Facility for Women, Children and Adolescents (GFF).
From 2011-2013, Dr. Muhammad Ali Pate served as
Nigeria's Minister of State for Health.

Event sponsored by the Harvard T.H. Chan Africa Student Health Forum. Food will be served.



#### A Fireside Chat with Dr. Muhammad Ali Pate Thursday, April 28 from 1-2pm ET HSPH FXB G10

On Thursday, April 28th from 1-2pm in FXB G10, The Harvard Chan Africa Health Students Forum will a fireside chat with **Dr. Muhammad Ali Pate**. Dr. Muhammad Ali Pate is the current Julio Frenk Professor of the Practice of Public Health Leadership at The Harvard TH Chan School of Public Health. Prior to this, he was the Global Director, Health, Nutrition and Population (HNP) Global Practice of the World Bank and the Director of Global Financing Facility for Women, Children and Adolescents (GFF). From 2011-2013, Dr. Muhammad Ali Pate served as Nigeria's Minister of State for Health. All are welcome! Food and drinks will be served.

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The 2nd Annual Health Systems Hackathon
Type 1 Diabetes Hackathon for Africa
Saturday, April 30 and Sunday, May 1
8am-3pm EST

Gordon Hall, Harvard Medical School and virtually

#### Register here

The Global Collaborative for Changing Diabetes in Children (GC-CDIC), in collaboration with the Harvard Health Systems Innovation Lab, lead by GHP Professor **Rifat Atun**, is organizing the 2nd Health Systems Hackathon. The focus of this year's event will be on digital innovations to improve Type 1 Diabetes health care in 11 countries in Africa.

The CDIC partnership was launched in 2009 to improve access to life-saving medicine and healthcare for children and adolescents living with Type 1 Diabetes in low- and middle-income countries. By bringing together individuals with diverse expertise and backgrounds, this hackathon will seek to generate innovative solutions to specific problems in this complex area.



Careers in Humanitarianism: Ynis Isimbi and Rodger LeGrand Tuesday, May 10th from 1-2pm ET via Zoom Register here

Join the Harvard Humanitarian Initiative for a webinar on Careers in Humanitarianism featuring **Ynis Isimbi**, MA, Monitoring and Evaluation Coordinator for HHI's Executive Negotiation Project, and **Rodger LeGrand**, MFA, Instructional Designer for HHI. Our panelists will describe their current humanitarian work, chat about their careers in the sector, and field questions from attendees. This event is open to all, and we encourage students who are interested in pursuing a career in the humanitarian field to join us and learn about potential career paths. Questions? Please contact <a href="mailto:hhi@harvard.edu">hhi@harvard.edu</a>

# **Open Call for Applications**

- The GlobalMentalHealth@Harvard Initiative Steering Committee is proud to announce the Mental Health Care Leadership Champions Program, delivered through the Executive and Continuing Professional Education at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health. The Certificate of Specialization comprises three programs, taught by faculty from the Harvard School of Public Health, the GlobalMentalHealth@Harvard Initiative and an international pool of experts, embracing both empirical evidence and real-world lessons. Through this training and mentoring program, professionals from around the world will empower themselves to scale-up evidence-based and innovative programs to address the mental health needs of their communities with knowledge, skills, and peer support.
- Strengthening Human Resources for Health and Implications for Pandemic Planning How should we plan for human resources needs for epidemics and pandemics? How can pandemics like COVID-19 be included in strategic planning for HRH? How do we continue to prioritize human resources development in reaching the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and achieving Universal Health Coverage (UHC)? This successful course is specifically designed to address the above questions by providing participants with new and innovative ways of addressing human resources policy and management issues. Individuals and country teams will learn from experts as well as peers from other nations and will develop their own draft country strategic plans for human resources as well as crisis management. The application deadline is April 30, 2022 and the hybrid course will run from May 31-June 10, 2022. Early bird and group discounts are available. For more information, please visit the International Health Systems Program website.
- The Harvard Global Health Institute is accepting applications for the 2022- 2023 LEAD Fellowship for Promoting Women in Global Health. In an effort to equip and empower more women leaders in global health, the Harvard Global Health Institute and the Women and Health Initiative at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health offers a transformational fellowship specifically designed to promote leadership skills in individuals from low- and middle-income countries who will, in turn, mentor future female leaders in global health. Visit the website for more information and application.

# Opportunities in Global Health and Population

#### **Academic Positions**

- Professor of Ethics and Population Health
- Research Scientist in Health & Elderly Care Policy and Systems in China
- Post-Doctoral Fellowship with Kevin Croke and Margaret Kruk
- Postdoctoral Fellow in Health Economics with Stéphane Verguet
- Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Global Health/Maternal and Child Health

#### **Staff Positions**

- Research and Program Manager (57385BR) NEW!
- Research Assistant IV Non-Lab, India Health Systems (57676BR) NEW!
- Research Assistant IV Non-Lab, India Health Systems (57677BR) NEW! Two positions available
- Research Assistant IV Non-Lab (Research Data Analyst) (57052BR)
- Programmer (57314BR)
- Program Manager, Resilient Communities (HHI) (57173BR)

#### **Internal Student Positions/Internships**

- Research Assistant: Improving Maternal Health Measurement Capacity and Use
- Student Research Assistant to Dr. Muhammed Pate
- Quantitative Research Assistant: Memory and Migration Project, Mental Health For All Lab
- Qualitative Research Assistant: Memory and Migration Project, Mental Health For All Lab
- Student Research Assistant with The Women and Health Initiative
- Student Research Assistant with Ariadne Labs & The Women and Health Initiative
- <u>Harvard Global Health Institute Spring 2022 LEAD Fellowship for Promoting Women in Global Health</u> Intern
- Student Research Assistant

<u>The Harvard Humanitarian Initiative</u> is hiring and are looking for mission-driven people who want to make a difference in the humanitarian field globally. <u>Click here to view all open positions</u>.

Women, Gender and Health is now seeking applicants for the Student Staff Coordinator position for 2022-2023 Academic Year. Eligible applicants include Masters and Doctoral students who will be a student in May 2023. This position is a great way to set priorities, lead events, and connect with faculty and researchers in women and gender health topics. For more information on what this position entails and the application process, please contact <a href="mailto:wgh@hsph.harvard.edu">wgh@hsph.harvard.edu</a>.

Paid RA opportunity in Health Systems. Are you a current student or recent graduate interested in a paid research opportunity to help advance India's goal of universal health coverage? Do you have a background in health systems, quantitative analysis, social sciences, public health, public policy, or economic development? We are the India Health Systems Research Project at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health and we are looking for students to work as Research Assistants during spring and summer 2022. Our Research Assistants will help with statistical analysis related to a survey in India of households, health care providers, and health care facilities, and literature reviews related to health systems in developing countries. For more information and to apply, please see our project website and/or email Betsy Osborn at eosborn@hsph.harvard.edu.