

# Fellow Placement Examples: Zambia



## Akros

*Malaria Programs:* Fellows worked within mobile surveillance platforms to create and tailor data systems and data applications to ensure high quality information is available for feedback and decisions making.

*eHealth:* Fellows configured and launched a DHIS2 mobile app to monitor over 300 referrals from community health workers to clinical facilities. Additionally, fellows used the same app to design a process for reporting changes in land tenure claims.

## Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation

*Monitoring and Evaluation:* Fellows supported the strategic information and evaluation team in monitoring, evaluating and reporting on the organization's programs in Zambia, including support for a national study of 4,000 patients across 10 provinces.

## PATH

*Advocacy and Communications:* Fellow supported activities for garnering high-level political commitments for malaria elimination in Zambia (including an official statement of support from the WHO) and for community engagement on the local level to support a mass drug administration campaign.

## **Population Council**

**Program Management:** Fellows coordinated three mixed-method studies in order to evaluate the Preventing Maternal Death Through Unwanted Pregnancies Program, enabling the organization to detect the impacts and valuable learnings from the program.

## Society for Family Health

*Communications:* Fellow managed internal and external relations as well as designed and implemented the overall communication strategy for all of the organization's health products and services, including modern contraceptives, HIV self-testing kits and integrated family planning services.

## Ministry of Health

*Research:* Fellows supported the Directorate of Disease Surveillance Control and Research, developing the first comprehensive study to assess quality of care conducted at all second and third level hospitals in Zambia, and co-authoring four papers on genomic research.

#### CIDRZ

**Business Development:** Fellows conducted market research related to women's health services and discovered new findings around willingness to pay, leading to the formulation of a new business plan and establishment of cervical cancer clinics.



# Other Placement Countries

#### Covenant House, USA

*Health Counseling*: Fellows worked as health counselors for homeless teenage residents at Covenant House in Newark, NJ. They conducted physical wellness assessments to identify emergent and chronic health conditions, developed case management plans, provided prevention education, and helped residents follow up on their healthcare needs.

#### Clinton Health Access Initiative, Malawi

*Partnership Development:* Fellows coordinated a three-year, \$4.2 million project to empower HIV-positive women. The project links HIV treatment with sexual and reproductive health education through a consolidated work plan for five local partner organizations.

# Partners In Health

Partners In Health Rwanda is one of many placement organizations that have benefited year after year from the diversity of ways GHC fellows can contribute to the organization's work.

**2015-2016:** Fellows innovated a new pharmacy stock management system for Butaro hospital to improve drug storage and distribution. As a result, from Sept 2015 to June 2016 the stock data accuracy improved from 90% and maintained a peak score of 98%.

**2014-2015:** Fellows facilitated the distribution of \$2.3M of medicine through PIH's supply chain, trained 40+ clinicians on quality improvement, and directed a needs assessment across 11 health facilities evaluating quality of care in the treatment of children with acute malnutrition.

*2013-2014:* New oncology drugs were added to the Rwandan Ministry of Health's National Essential Medicines list due to the advocacy efforts of fellows.

**2012-2013:** Fellows provided patient education sessions for more than 200 people on proper use and storage of medicines. The trainings improved treatment adherence, leading to greater health outcomes and more cost-effective use of medicines.

**2011-2012:** Fellows guided product selection, forecasting and supply planning for the pharmaceuticals annual order (90% of the pharmacy program budget) that resulted into a more efficient allocation of financial resources while ensuring best practices and risk minimization.

*2010-2011:* Fellows implemented and managed the Mentorship and Enhanced Supervision Program, Infectious Disease (MESH-ID) which improves capacity of health centers by providing increased training for nurses and hiring additional supervisors who focus primarily on mentoring nurses and improving health center care.