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There is much of interest to read in this edition of the Newsletter. Locally this ranges from congratulations to the Southampton research nurses for their award sponsored by NIHR; the report on a link between Winchester and Ghana around palliative care, a new initiative by a Wessex research group planning [a conference](#) sharing global health research in April 2023 to an advertisement for the Network's [Online Introduction to Global Health course](#) in February.

For anyone interested [getting involved](#) and combining some experience overseas with both personal and leadership development, they will be particularly interested in the advertisement by the *Improving Global Health through Leadership Development Programme* to recruit new Fellows. [The webinar](#) where returned Fellows describe their experiences on 15th December will be particularly helpful in understanding the programme.

Any students who read the newsletter could win themselves a prize from the Royal Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene Student Essay competition advertised in the [Get Involved](#) section.

There are several very practical publications in the [research section](#) with more than one about malaria and the mosquito. And for anyone with a particular interest in Africa, there is a link in the [Longer Read](#) section to the wide range of activities of the Africa Programme at Chatham house.

The Newsletter does not specifically highlight World Aids Day, which was on 1st

December, but there are a couple of articles in the [News section](#) that link to this.

*This is the last Newsletter for 2022 and the team of Hannah, Andy and John wish our readers a good break over the Christmas period.
We will rejoin you in January, 2023.*

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WESSEX NEWS & EVENTS



NEWS



Southampton research nurses win at Nursing Times Awards

University Hospital Southampton NHS Foundation Trust (UHS) won the award for Clinical Research Nursing. Sponsored by the NIHR, the award category recognises the essential contribution of the clinical

essential contribution of the clinical research nursing workforce. [Read more.](#)

An Evening of Reflections from Ghana 30th November, 2022

The Global Health Hub is a collaboration between the Hampshire Hospitals Foundation Trust and the University of Winchester. It was formally established earlier this year and acts as a focal point for global health work of the two organisations.

One of its latest initiatives is the development of a new partnership with Palliative Care services in Ghana and on Tuesday evening last week this work was shared with a wider audience at the University. The UK team from the Trust and the University shared their stories and a live video link enabled the contribution of a palliative care consultant to provide a perspective from Ghana.

The evening provided a very good example of the benefits of a combined NHS and University approach and notable was the learning gained by the UK partners. Attitudes to death and dying, as well as the role of the family, are quite different in the UK and Ghana. The UK team were particularly struck by the kindness and compassion shown by staff in Ghana to each other and to their patients. [Find out more.](#)

WESSEX EVENTS

Innovating Health for All : Learning from Global Health Research

**Leonardo Royal Hotel, Grand Harbour, West Key Southampton
26th April, 2023**

This event is being organised by the Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust, and is its annual Trust conference. It is open to all and will bring together experts from across the world for a day focusing on a range of global health topics.

Presenting your own research : If you would like to use this opportunity to present your research, then upload your abstract to <https://bit.ly/abstractsSHFT>

Submissions close for symposia on **8th January, 2023**, and for posters and open papers on **31st January, 2023**.

To register your interest in attending, go to <https://bit.ly/registrationSHFT>

Questions about the event : paulina.olarte@southernhealth.nhs.uk

Short Online Introduction to Global Health Course

This Winchester based course prepared by the Network will run again starting on 6th February, 2023. It is suitable for anyone wanting a broad introduction to the subject and provides a public health perspective on the subject. If you are looking for a degree level course, then these are available through the Universities of Southampton and Winchester.

More details about the course can be found [here](#).

[Apply for a place on the course](#)



SOUTH WEST NEWS



New look website!

The University of Plymouth's Global Health Collaborative now have a [new look website](#) showcasing their work, from the promotion of global health education, to student engagement and their projects across various African nations and beyond.

Pioneering technique with potential to help treat disease and infection

Scientists from the University of Bristol have created a much faster way to make certain complex molecules, which are widely used by pharmaceuticals for antibiotics and anti-fungal medicines. The first-of-its-kind discovery has the potential to speed up the production of such drugs, making them cheaper and more accessible. [Read more.](#)

Lecturer key editor of new book

[Dr Alison Warren](#) of the University of Plymouth has co-edited a new book entitled *Occupational Therapy and Dementia: Promoting Inclusion, Rights and Opportunities for People Living with Dementia*. It brings together over 40 authors from around the world, including people living with dementia, clinicians, academics and researchers with a significant contribution from the University of Plymouth. [It will be published by JKP on Wednesday 21 December.](#)

SOUTH WEST EVENTS & LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Research Fellowships

The University of Exeter announces Research Fellowship proposals for research into various topic areas related to climate change. Deadline for submission 31st January, 2023. [Read more.](#)

EXPEDITION MEDICINE AND LEADERSHIP COURSE

Dr Lucy Obelensky, GP and Emergency Medicine Doctor and Associate Professor Global and Remote Medicine, formerly of the University of Plymouth, has let us

know of their next course in Expedition Medicine and Leadership. This is based in France and will be held between 22nd - 27th January, 2023.

[Visit Endeavour Medicine](#) for more information.

Community English Classes

Now until Thursday 15th December, 2nd floor, Rolle Building, University of Plymouth

The University's English Language Centre (ELC) is offering free English language classes until mid-December, aimed at new members of the local community who are not able to access language support through other providers. [Find out more here.](#)

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NEW

Improving Global Health through Leadership Development

This Health Education England programme offers Global Health Fellowships that allow 6 month placements for NHS staff with partners in Low and Middle income countries to carry out service/quality improvement projects. The programme provides induction, mentorship and a great opportunity for personal development.

Fellowships are usually in-country, but remote placements, perhaps with short

visits to the overseas partner, are available.

Applications are now open and close at 9.00 am on Monday 9th January, 2023.
[More information.](#)


A Fellowship Webinar with Q&A will be held at 7 p.m. on 15th December, 2022, where returning Fellows describe their work and you can learn more about the programme. **E-mail** ImprovingGlobalHealth@hee.nhs.uk to register.

RSTMH 2022 Student Essay Prize **Theme "Health and Conflict"**

The competition is for students studying global health as a degree, or any degree with a component of global health or medicine. It is open to current, full-time, students, based anywhere in the world.

The essay could take the form of an opinion piece, a literature review, or presentation of original research. Personal perspectives are encouraged, and the essay must demonstrate a combination of scholarship, original thought, and analysis.

Closing date : 5pm GMT Tuesday 28 February 2023.



2023

The WHO Health for All Film Festival for 2023 and has put out a call for short film entries. This closes on 31st January, 2023. Awards will be some time around March 2023. [More information](#)

Africa Science Focus

Africa Science Focus is a new weekly podcast from SciDevNet that unpacks the impacts that science has on all facets of life. From health to the economy, to the environment and even technology. We speak to the African scientists who are working to solve the continent's problems and hear from those impacted by

science. [Listen to recent podcasts](#) and [subscribe](#).

CABI One Health Knowledge Bank

CABI is developing a digital library - the One Health Knowledge Bank that provides a wealth of information to support evidence based practice. It welcomes contributions to add to the knowledge bank. [Read more](#).

Centre for Sustainable Healthcare

The latest edition of the [Centre's newsletter](#) is now available with opportunities to get involved or learn more.

Ongoing Opportunities

- **Online Masters in Public Health, Sudan** : Teachers sought. [Contact Dr Sara Lavinia Brair](#) for information.
- **The Virtual Doctors**: [Recruiting volunteer doctors now](#)
- **King's Global Health Partnerships**: [Obstetrics volunteers, Zambia](#)
- **Volunteer opportunities**: [Centre for Sustainable Healthcare](#)
- **Expressions of interest**: [SWIDN increase database of expert trainers](#) and [group facilitators](#)
- **Going Global**: [subscribe to the mailing list](#) for updates and news from HEE and THET
- **Centre for Sustainable Healthcare**: [Green ED Network](#)

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**NATIONAL EVENTS
& LEARNING
OPPORTUNITIES**

**For links to a variety of sites that provide
a range of learning opportunities,
[visit the Wessex Global Health Website](#)**

Events 2023

Fellowship Webinar with Q&A Improving Global Health through Leadership Development Programme 15th December, 2022, at 7.00 pm

This Health Education England programme offers 6 month Fellowships for NHS staff to be involved with partners in Low and Middle Income Countries helping to improve the quality of services they provide.

The Webinar enables returning Fellows to describe their work and experiences and gives an opportunity for those interested in working abroad an insight into what it is like and what the programme offers.

For more information or to register, visit the [HEE website](#) or [email](#).

World Congress on Nursing Education and Patient Safety 22nd & 23rd February 2023

With dynamic Keynote presentations, oral talks, poster presentations, and exhibitions from renowned practitioners in the field of nursing and its disciplines, this event offers a hybrid research forum for Nursing Education and Patient Safety, with a focus on the theme of "Comfort, Compassion and Caring – The facets of Healthcare and Nursing." [More information](#)

Consortium of Universities for Global Health Conference

14 - 16 April, 2023

**Global Health at a Crossroads:
Equity, Climate Change and Microbial Threats**

This conference will be held in Washington WC, USA, but can be attended online. Sub-themes will include the Social Determinants of Health, Non-Communicable Diseases, Politics, Governance, Decolonizing, Justice, Translation and Implementation Science and more. [More information](#).

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Agriculture, Nutrition and Health Academy Research Conference 19th - 30th June, 2023

This conference is being co-hosted by the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and the Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (LUANAR), in Malawi. They have put out a [call for abstracts for the conference](#) - closing date 9th December, 2022. [More information](#)

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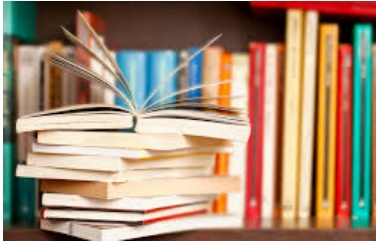
WOMEN'S HEALTH

Maternal Mortality Variations in Europe

A BMJ European study of maternal deaths in eight European countries found a fourfold difference in maternal mortality rates between the highest (Slovakia at 10.9/100,000) and lowest (Norway 2.7/100,000). The UK rate was the second to bottom at 9.7/100,000. [Read more](#).

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THE LONGER READ

Health, sustainability and transformation: a new narrative for global health

Lancet article that discusses issues involved in the way that global health defines itself in a changing world. [Read more.](#)

Bringing researchers and journalists together

Article from the Royal Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene describing its first workshop trial delivered in Delhi in partnership with Drugs for Neglected Diseases initiative. [Read more.](#)

Rethinking Farming in Rwanda

85% of the Rwandan workforce is in the agricultural sector and the Rwandan Institute for Conservation Agriculture wants to empower small farmers. This article explores the position and the challenges ahead. [Read more.](#)

COVID and China

"China's zero-COVID cannot continue, reopening is needed" : Expert comment from Chatham House. [Read more.](#)

Moving medicine in Iraq: Networks fuelling everyday

A system involving doctors, pharmacists, political parties, armed groups, and businesspeople fuels corruption and conflict in a medicine supply chain which kills people every year. [Read more.](#)

Antimicrobial Resistance

[Article](#) from the World Economic Forum outlining the problem and providing practical ways to address it.

The 2022 China report of the Lancet Countdown on health and climate change: leveraging climate actions for healthy ageing

This is the third report from the Lancet Centre in Tsinghua University, China. It tracks 27 indicators, which are within 5 domains. A new indicator has been added, which is about how heat affects the hours that are safe for outdoor exercise. [Read the report.](#)

Africa Programme of Chatham House

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Expert comment, videos and podcasts about aspects of Africa now available. [Read more.](#)

Global Humanitarian Overview, 2023

[This review](#) was released by the UN last week and notes that next year will set another record for humanitarian relief requirements. 339 million people are in need of assistance in 69 countries. This is an increase of 65 million people over the last 12 months. The report goes on to specify the plans and costs involved.

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**INTERNATIONAL
AND NATIONAL
NEWS**

NEWS

AIDS:

- [Inequalities are blocking the end of the AIDS pandemic, say UN](#)
- [Why the Middle East lags behind in fighting HIV](#)

Syria: [Two million doses of oral cholera vaccines arrive in Syria](#) (WHO)

Myanmar: [Secretive military courts sentence scores of people to death](#) (UN)

Malawi : [Malawi's medical supplies shortage at crisis point](#)

Humanitarian Aid: [UN appeals for record \\$51.5 billion to help 230 million on the brink in 2023](#)

UK Aid: [What's been happening to UK aid? Cuts, cuts and more cuts.](#)

Polio: [Vaccine refusal/hesitancy playing a part in Pakistan](#)

Breastfeeding:

- [Nigeria's first breast milk bank](#)
- [Milk formula firms target women looking for pregnancy advice](#)

Ebola in Uganda: [The people spreading misinformation online](#)

Measles:

- [12 children die from outbreak in Mumbai](#)
- [WHO warns that nearly 40 million children are dangerously susceptible to growing measles threat](#)

Kenya and condoms: [High taxes reduce availability of free condoms](#)

China and COVID: [Why is China still having severe lockdowns?](#)

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Planetary Health Weekly

Science and Technology for Global Development news and analysis

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SDGs UK

Maternal mortality : [2.7/100,000 in Norway, but 9.6/100,000 in UK](#) (BMJ)

Overseas Aid: [UK aid faces third major cut in 3 years, with £1.7B to be cut](#)

Diphtheria: [50 reported cases at Maastricht asylum reception](#)

Diphtheria: [50 reported cases at Mwanishi asylum reception](#)

Inequalities: [Poorer women in UK have sixth-highest cancer death rates in Europe, WHO finds](#)

Antibiotic resistance and animal farming : [Study suggests factory farming a possible source.](#)

Child obesity: [Significant gaps and inequalities in the provision of specialist child weight management services in England](#)

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A Glimpse of Life outside the fortified compounds of Somalia

Somalia's capital is one of the most dangerous places in the world, off limits to most

foreigners and a risky place for Somali government officials. In a rare trip by foreign journalists, the Guardian captured the everyday vibrancy of the beach, parks, gyms and cafes that are flourishing in the ancient city. [See more.](#)

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SUPPORT & FUNDING

NEW

The Conservation, Food and Health Foundation

The foundation supports special projects and programmes of non-governmental organisations in three areas: conservation, food and health. Average grant size is around US\$20,000.

Closing date 1st January, 2023. [More information.](#)

2023 SOLV[ED] Youth Innovation Challenge

This fund is for tech-enabled solutions that: Improve learning opportunities and outcomes for learners across their lifetimes, from early childhood on (Learning); accelerating healthcare access and health outcomes and reducing disparities in health and climate change.

Closing date 24th January, 2023. [More information.](#)

AF Jochnick Foundation

The Foundation supports children & education (49% of grants made), health & medical research, our planet and sustainable societies. No defined closing dates. [More information](#).

NIHR

New funding Global Health Policy and Systems Research Consortia

Applications for this fund opened in November and close at 13:00 on 15th March 2023. [Read more](#).

PREVIOUSLY ADVERTISED

Interventions to increase the health and wellbeing of asylum seekers and refugees in the UK

Applications for this fund opened at the beginning of November and close at 13.00 on 4th April, 2023 [Read more](#)

NIHR Incubator Competition, 2022

The 2022 NIHR Incubator competition is open to applications that address areas where there is a need to build research capacity on a national level. Particularly encouraged are applications for Incubators that:

- Support researchers from minoritised ethnic backgrounds
- Support careers in pharmacy

Closes on 15th December, 2022. [More information](#)

Commonwealth Partnership Grants for Antimicrobial Stewardship

Those of the funding is to support countries in Africa and Asia to tackle antimicrobial resistance. There are three categories of funding with closing dates ranging between Thursday 15th December, 2022, and Friday 13th January, 2023. [More information](#).

With thanks to Hub Cymru Wales for some of these advertised.

National Institute for Health and Care Research

- [NIHR Global Health Research \(GHR\) portfolio](#) (ongoing)
- [More opportunities from NIHR](#)

Visit the Network Website for other sources of funding

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RESEARCH

World AIDS Day Article Collection

[RSTMH collection of articles relevant to AIDS](#)

Bulletin of the World Health Organisation

[Latest edition now available](#)

Malaria treatment in Uganda and DRC

[Safety of age-dosed, single low-dose primaquine in children with glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase deficiency who are infected with Plasmodium falciparum in Uganda and the Democratic Republic of the Congo: a randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled, non-inferiority trial](#) (Lancet)

Malaria outbreak

[Malaria outbreak in Laos driven by a selective sweep for Plasmodium falciparum kelch13 R539T mutants: a genetic epidemiology analysis](#) (Lancet)

Bednets

[Long-lasting insecticidal nets provide protection against malaria for only a single year in Burundi, an African highland setting with marked malaria seasonality](#) (BMJ)

Sleeping sickness: time for dreaming

[Human African trypanosomiasis responds well to the anti-cancer drug Eflornithine.](#) (Lancet comment)

Aid from China in Africa

[Estimating Chinese bilateral aid for health: an analysis of AidData's Global Chinese Official Finance Dataset Version 2.0](#) (BMJ)

Tuberculosis

- [Can digital adherence technologies reduce inequity in tuberculosis treatment success? Evidence from a randomised controlled trial](#) (BMJ)
- [Clinical and economic burden of drug-susceptible tuberculosis in Indonesia: national trends 2017–19](#) (The Lancet)

Life expectancy in China

[Healthy lifestyle and life expectancy at age 30 years in the Chinese population: an observational study](#) (The Lancet)

New Mosquito Spread

[What sounds like Aedes, acts like Aedes, but is not Aedes? Lessons from dengue virus control for the management of invasive Anopheles](#) (The Lancet)

Pioneering technique to speed up production of antibiotics and anti-fungal medicines

[Iterative synthesis of 1,3-polyboronic esters with high stereocontrol and application to the synthesis of bahamaolide A](#) (Nature Chemistry)

Q Fever

[Epidemiology of Q-fever in domestic ruminants and humans in Africa. A systematic review](#) (CABI One Health)

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GLOBAL HEALTH JOBS



JOBS

(Closing dates in brackets)

Action Against Hunger

[Climate Change Advisor](#) (15th December)

British Council

[Global Standards Senior Consultant](#) (16th December)

Aid Alliance

[Field Organiser \(Coordinator\)](#) (23 December)

[Field Organiser \(Assistant\)](#) (23 December)

[Field Organiser \(Adviser\)](#) (23 December)

RTI International

[Integrated Care / RMNCH Practice Leader](#) (16th December)

Malala Fund

[Communications Manager, Africa and Latin America](#) (30th December)

Ripple Effect

Supporter Care Executive (31st December)

World Association for Sustainable Development

[Marketers](#) (no deadline given)

The Fernandez Foundation

[Midwifery Mentors](#), Hyderabad, India (Ongoing)

[More jobs available through BOND](#)

[More jobs available at London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine](#)
[More opportunities for students through Knowledge for Change](#)
[More Charity Jobs in International Development](#)
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