

# Fellow Placement Examples: Uganda



## Clinton Health Access Initiative

**eHealth:** Fellow developed technological solutions for the government of Uganda and CHAI teams to improve access to health commodities, and improved procurement plans for 244 high-level health facilities.

## IntraHealth

**Monitoring and Evaluation:** Fellow designed and implemented data quality initiatives and provided guidance and education on best practices for data collection, processing, and compilation and reporting, resulting in significant improvement in organizational data quality.

## JHPIEGO

**Knowledge Management and External Communications:** Fellows enhanced organizational brand recognition with allies and partners within the Ministry of Health and other health nonprofits by developing and executing strategies to communicate program information with external and internal audiences.

## Foundation for Community Development and Empowerment

**Communications and Program Development:** Fellows facilitated the improvement of FCDE's communication strategy, refined and redesigned communications policy and paved the way for innovative branding and marketing, complete with an updated website, quarterly newsletter and active social media platforms. They also assisted local partner AGAPE's leadership team to design, write and win a grant worth \$32,433 from East African Children's Fund in 2017.

## Save the Mothers

**Strategic Planning and Development:** Developed the first five-year strategic plan and \$500,000 budget for the Mother Baby Friendly Hospital Initiative and contributed to fundraising and grant writing for the organization, which resulted in \$42,000 in increased funding.

## Spark Microgrants

**Project Coordination:** Fellows helped six communities establish sustainable, community-run health centers in Eastern Uganda by hiring and training local health workers and developing partner relationships.

## Joint Clinical Research Centre

**Research:** Fellow carried out baseline assessments of clinical practice quality and assisted in quality improvement initiatives, including those for improving clinical hand hygiene and patient wait-times. They also improved hand hygiene practices by nearly 50% in 3 months.

## Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation

**Communications:** Fellows published over 20 articles, policy papers and technical write-ups for the foundation, including a conference presentation. They also provided health education to numerous community members throughout 13 districts of Uganda.



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## Other Placement Countries

### City of Newark, USA

**Policy and Program Evaluation:** Fellow served as technical lead on the process evaluation of *Let's Move! Newark*, a city-wide version of Michelle Obama's national initiative aimed at eliminating childhood obesity which involved over 65 partners. The report was presented to the Partnership for Healthier America and National *Let's Move!*

### Ministry of Health, Zambia

**Research.** Fellows coordinated the first national tuberculosis (TB) prevalence survey to assess the number of people suffering from TB. The survey results help accurately distribute health resources and prevent the spread of the disease.

## 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.

**2017-2018:** Fellows participated in the development of a strategic plan to improve maternal and neonatal outcomes in Rwanda; supported development of an oncology report that informed the preparation of a \$5 million USD grant application that was ultimately successful.

**2016-2017:** Fellows participated in key Early Childhood Development & Family research effort of 813 households, supervising data collection, analysis, and interpretation in order to inform public health policy and programs; developed and delivered key staff development curriculum to improve data management and analysis capacity of informatics staff.

**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