

Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology

GLOBAL HEALTH

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Partners at Korle-bu Update

"The partnership between Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology Korle Bu Teaching Hospital and the Obstetrics and Gynecology Department of the IWK in the spirit of global health dates as far back as 2015. Our department has since then received tremendous support from the partnership, with donation of Mama Nathalie Simulation model and other simulation accessories. In 2020, our simulation efforts were enhanced when Dr. Heather Scott, Prof Catherine Craig and Dr Emma Summers came to Ghana and together with our team i.e., Dr Jerry Coleman and Dr Henry Kumi and other nursing staff carried out a study on Post-Partum Hemorrhage. The future looks bright with this partnership and there is more we can achieve together for the mutual benefit of our respective hospitals"



Dr. Jerry Coleman (MBChB, FWACS, FGCS, CHS) Consultant Obstetrician Gynecologist Program Director of Ghana College of Physicians and Surgeon's Maternal Fetal Medicine Program.



Kwaku in his resident office

Resident Elective at the IWK

The Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology is pleased to announce that Dr. Kwaku Agyepong Doffour-Dappah has successfully completed his eightweeks Elective at the IWK. His Elective began in May and ended in June. Kwaku was actively involved in the departmental rounds including ultrasound rounds, prenatal diagnosis rounds, grand rounds, and resident teaching rounds. He also participated in clinics for maternal and fetal medicine and participated in the VAST Instructor Course. Kwaku is currently focused on a simulation-based research project. Kwaku also had the opportunity to visit some beautiful sceneries in Halifax and Nova Scotia. We are glad that Kwaku had a wonderful experience here and we anticipate a future Resident elective collaboration with our partners in Korle-bu.

Micro Research

Together with our partners at Korle-bu, Noni MacDonald, and Bob Bortolussi, we are planning on a two-week Micro-Research workshop at the Korle-bu Teaching Hospital. The mission of the Micro Research is to improve health care outcomes with innovative community-based research that assures quality and integration of research into the fabric of the local health system and the community. A three-day "Train the Trainer" session will be organized for the local collaborators who will serve as coaches during the Micro Research workshop. Our contacts in Korle Bu



Kwaku at Kingsburg

continue to work on building strong, interdisciplinary support for this workshop.

Global health Discussion Series

On May 17th, we had a joint Global Health Discussion Series Event with the global health offices of Anesthesia and Surgery departments. The focus of this discussion was on "Steps to Decolonizing Global Health: Views from Our LMIC Partners". This included a panel discussion with some visiting Physicians from Ghana, Ethiopia, India and Rwanda and Physicians from IWK.

The Global Health Equity and Advocacy Unit in collaboration with the Global Health Offices of the Surgery and Anesthesia Departments is excited to invite residents and medical students to attend:

Opportunities in Global Health

Tuesday, October 4th at 6pm, The Old Triangle

More info will be provided in our next newsletter

Funding Opportunities:

Fogarty Funding Opportunities

The Fogarty International Center at NIH offers funding to support global health research. Fogarty also offers a variety of resources for those seeking global health research funding across NIH, and from other organizations.

Gilead's Research Scholars Program Funding

Grand Challenges Canada

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until December 31, 2022, or funds are exhausted. Early submissions are advantageous as the call will be closed once funds have been allocated.

For any info on available funding opportunities, kindly email Crenda at Crenda.marfo@nshealth.ca

Global health equity and advocacy resources to explore:



Article: A call to action to reform academic global health partnerships

Article: The art of medicine. Will global health survive its decolonization?

Article: Addressing power asymmetries in global health: Imperatives in the wake of the COVID 19 pandemic

Video: Human rights: Maternal mortality and morbidity

Roe vs Wade: A brief overview

Anticipate a detailed statement on Roe v. Wade in our upcoming newsletter!

Global health events that may be of interest:

<u>Catalyzing Global Health Innovations for Sustainable Development: Stellenbosch University-</u> <u>CUGH Global Health Conference</u>

Registration is ongoing for the conference on Saturday, October 22, 2022 - Sunday, October 30, 2022. There would be Speakers and presentations from Africa and other global regions.

Dal Med GHI Global Health Case Competition

The Dalhousie Global Health Initiative is happy to announce the return of the Global Health Case Competition, running this summer from July 25th to August 9th

<u>Plan Canada Youth Summit</u>

Saturday, August 06, 2022, from 12:30 to 3:00 PM ET

Choice, Voice and Autonomy: Women's political leadership for health in a fragile world

This virtual event was hosted by Estonia and co-organized by PMNCH, International Health Partnership for UHC2030 (UHC2030), Women in Global Health and Global Health 50/50.