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Martin Luther King Jr.

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MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH

GENERAL TRACK

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Prevalence and Correlates of Stunting at Hospital Discharge Among Children 1-59 Months in Western Kenya

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An Investigation into the Barriers and Motivators to the Accessibility of Resources for Somali Women in the Greater Seattle Area

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Experiences, Perceptions, and Suggestions for Future Use of HIV Self-Testing Through Community Distribution Channels Among Adolescents and Young Adults in Nairobi, Kenya: A Qualitative Analysis

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Expedited Partner Treatment and Partner HIV Self-testing for Chlamydia
Trachomatis and Neisseria Gonorrhoeae Among Kenyan Adolescent Girls
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Primary Health Care Management Effectiveness as a Driver of Family Planning Service Readiness: A Cross-sectional Survey in Central Mozambique

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HIV Risk Perception, Behavior, and Relationships: Implications For Decisions to Initiate PrEP Among Adolescent Girls and Young Women in Western Kenya

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The Impact of a Comic Book Intervention on Increasing East African-American Adolescents' HPV Vaccine-related Knowledge, Attitudes and Intentions to Receive Vaccine

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"I could miss lessons," Facilitators and Barriers to ART and Clinic Adherence in School Going Kenyan Adolescents

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Involving Men in Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) Practices and Decision Making: A Formative Community Assessment in Ainaro and Lautem Municipality, Timor-Leste

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A Qualitative Analysis of Early Identification and Early Intervention Services for Families of Newborns and Children with Hearing Loss in Mongolia

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Bricked In: Occupational Health and Safety Concerns of Cambodian Brick Kiln Workers

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Policy Makers' Perspectives on Optimizing the Transition from Pediatric to Adult Care among HIV-infected Adolescents in Kenya

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Machine Learning for Injuries Cause of Death Assignment: A New Method for the Global Burden of Disease Study

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The Effect of Blood Pressure Reduction Interventions on Cardiovascular Morbidity and Mortality: A Modeling Study

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Nicholas Roberts

Quantifying the mortality, health outcomes, and disability due to snakebite envenoming in India

Chair: David Pigott / Committee: Theo Vos

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Mechanisms for HIV Persistence during Effective Therapy

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Elucidation of Group B Streptococcus Hemolytic Pigment and Hyaluronidase during Infection

Chair: Lakshmi Rajagopal / Committee: Jairam Lingappa, Chetan Seshadri, Mark Orr, Joseph Mougous, Joshua Woodward

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Kristine Dye

Elucidating Mechanisms of Transformation by Merkel Cell Polyomavirus Tumor Antigens

Chair: Denise Galloway / Committee: Jaisri Lingappa, Paul Nghiem, Gael Kurath, Nina Salama

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Jiho Kim, MPH

Development and Optimization of Adenoviral Junction-Opener Protein, an Anti-solid Tumor Co-therapeutic

Chair: Darrick Carter / Committee: Andre Lieber, Paul Lampe, Roland Strong, Steven Reed

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K. Rachael Parks

Eliciting VRC01-class Antibodies against HIV-1 through Immunization

Chair: Leonidas Stamatatos/Committee: M. Juliana McElrath, Justin Taylor, Rhea Coler, Jesse Bloom

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Taylor Stepien

Mechanisms of Salmonella Typhi Persistence

Chair: Ferric Fang / Committee: Lakshmi Rajagopal, Nina Salama, David Sherman, Kelly Smith

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IMPLEMENTATION SCIENCE

Sarah Masyuko, MBChB, MPH

Cardiovascular Disease Among HIV-infected And Uninfected Kenyan Adults

Chair: Carey Farquhar / Committee: Stephanie Page, Carol Levin, James Hughes

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METRICS

William Msemburi, MPhil

A Subnational Analysis Of Burden Of Disease In South Africa: Mortality Levels, Causes Of Death And Their Forecasts

Chair: Eric Vos / Committee: Laura Dwyer-Lindgren, Aleksandr Aravkin, Debbie Bradshaw, Suzanne Withers

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Matthew T Schneider, MPH

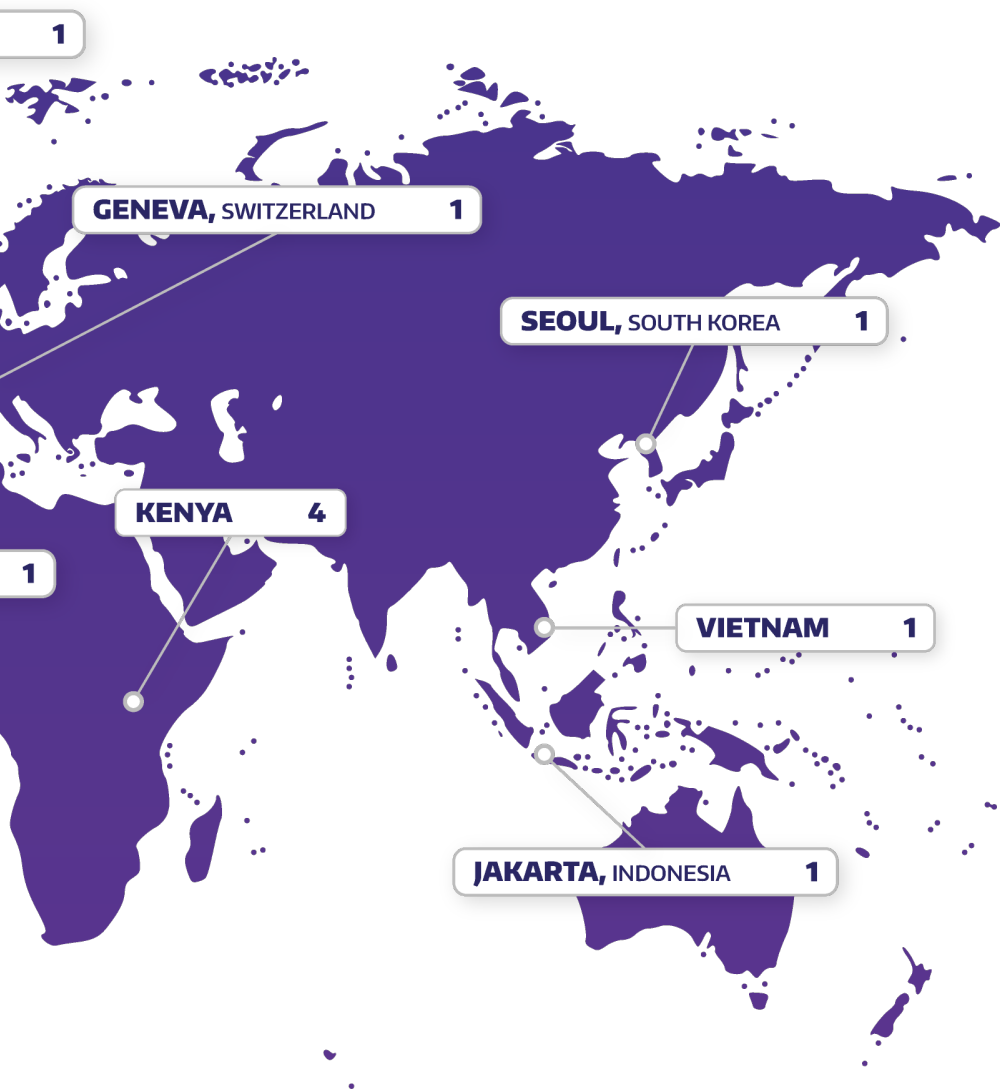
Estimating primary health care expenditures and relationship with outcomes for low- and middle-income countries

Chair: Joseph Dieleman / Committee: Bianca Frogner, Stephen Gloyd, Stephen Lim, Rafael Lozano

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FUTURE PLANS





SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

Matthew Schneider (PhD): Working as a research scientist at IHME evaluating the Global Fund

Jiho Kim (PhD): Finishing up Seattle projects before moving on

K. Rachael Parks (PhD): Working at Fred Hutchinson as a post doctoral researcher

Hadega Aamer (PhD): Working on post doc in Seattle before transitioning to industry

Blair Armistead (PhD): Starting post-doctoral fellowship at Seattle Children's Research Institute

Taylor Stepien (PhD): Working on post-doctoral research

Kareha Agesa (MPH)

Hannah Atlas (MPH): Working as a research coordinator for Global WACH Gut Health and Child Survival Group

Kimberly Baker (MPH): Planning to work in field of water and sanitation or maternal child health

Baishakhi Basi (MPH): Completing concurrent PhD in Anthropology and seeking research & implementation jobs

Edgar J. Calderon (MPH): Working for WA State Department of Health in COVID-19 Response

Kate Causey (MPH): Working as a researcher on the Exemplars in Global Health project for IHME

Mareme Diakhate (MPH): Working at Global WACH

Nafiso Egal (MPH): Continuing work with communities and organizations

Maritza Farrant (MPH): Working in clinical research

Kai Fukutaki (MPH): Working as researcher

Jeanne Goodman (MPH)

Elise Healy (MPH): Working for the School of Nursing on the DiSC study

Jean-Jacques Kayembe (MPH): Applying for the DrGH program next year

SEATTLE (CONTINUED)

Diane Kendall (MPH)

Robert Lapsley (MPH)

Alana Lopez (MPH)

Kathryn Madson (MPH): Working for the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Rebecca Namara (MPH): Pursuing doctoral studies in implementation science

Diem Nguyen (MPH)

Sarah Pickersgill (MPH): Continuing research with UW

Stephen Pope (MPH): Working in Seattle and Mozambique as a consultant for the Gorongosa Project

Jennifer Ricaldi (MPH): Enjoying time with family until pandemic is over

Michelle Shin (MPH): Completing PhD

Katherine Shulock (MPH): Staying in Seattle to find an Indian Health Board or COVID-19-related job

Paige Stringer (MPH): Continuing work related to pediatric hearing loss in global health

Rachel Wittenauer (MPH): Pursuing PhD in Comparative Health Outcomes, Policy, and Economics at UW

Jamal Yearwood (MPH): Working for Gates Ventures

OREGON

Lisa Wiggins (MPH): Spending time with family while job hunting

ALBANY, CALIFORNIA

Obiora Okoye (MPH): Starting Global Brain Health Institute Fellowship at the University of California

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

Wilson Hammett (MPH): Pursuing PhD in Health Policy & Management at UCLA

Chenglin Hong (MPH): Pursuing PhD at UCLA

MONUMENT VALLEY, UTAH

Haily Augustine (MPH): Summer fellowship at Urban Indian Health Institute, starting medical school apps

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

Briana Williams (MPH): Pursuing PhD in Global Community Health and Behavioral Sciences

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Kathryn Lau (MPH): Seeking out new public health work opportunities

Lorenzo Tolentino (MPH): Planning to stay in either Atlanta or Seattle

ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

Angela Fernandez (MPH): Finishing current Postdoctoral Research Fellowship at University of Michigan

PORT ORANGE, FLORIDA

Kristine Dye (PhD): Working as Assistant Professor in Health Sciences at Stetson University

NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Nick Roberts (MPH): Attending medical school at Weill Cornell Medical College

PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

Hunter York (MPH): Pursuing PhD in Sociology at Princeton University

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

Jorge Ledesma (MPH): Pursuing PhD in Epidemiology at Brown University

BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Michael Cork (MPH): Pursuing PhD in Biostatistics at Harvard University

Katie Fox (MPH): Moving to Worcester and job-seeking in the Boston area

BOSTON (CONTINUED)

William Gardner (MPH): Finishing prerequisite courses for med school, continuing research work at IHME

Vanessa Li (MPH): Starting at a systems engineering firm working in health analytics and epidemiology

KENYA

Jerusha Nyabiage (MPH): Continuing work in implementation science

Victor Omollo (MPH)

Anne Pulei (MPH): Starting clinical practice and teaching at University of Nairobi and Kenyatta National Hospital

Sarah Masyuko (PhD)

GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

William Msemburi (PhD): Working for the WHO in division of Data, Analytics, and Delivery for Impact

VIETNAM

Huong Chu (MPH)

JAKARTA, INDONESIA

Haris Apriyanto (MPH)

SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA

Jason Hipps (MPH): Working for U.S. Army in Korea as a Force Protection Health Officer

PLANS UNDERWAY

Nina Nganga (MPH)

Tess Harpur (MPH)

Alex Kaldjian (MPH)

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Ijeoma Oluo



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To achieve sustainable, quality health globally.

OUR MISSION

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