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Spring 2020 - News for alumni and friends of the Emory Global Health Institute



Emory Global Health Connection

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Photo credit: Sabere Traore, Rollins School of Public Health | *Shooting of a COVID-19 Sensitization Video Clip with a Frontline Physician* | Burkina Faso
2020 EGHI Global Health Student Photography Contest Submission

About this photo: "The African Youth Initiative for Development (AYID) has partnered with a frontline physician, Dr. Hassane Koefi to record a COVID-19 sensitization video clip to raise awareness on the pandemic and promote adherence to preventive measures recommended in Burkina Faso."

UPCOMING EVENTS

2021 Virtual Emory Intramural Global Health Case Competition Application Deadline
December 18, 2020

2021 Virtual Emory International Global Health Case Competition
March 21, 2021



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2021 FIELD SCHOLARS AWARDS PROGRAM

APPLY NOW!

Applications due February 12, 2021
To learn more, visit:
<https://bit.ly/2021FieldScholars>

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2021 HACK COVID-19

Hackathon

January 22 - 24, 2021

2021 Field Scholars Awards

Program Applications Due

February 12, 2021

Have global health related news, updates, or events to share with EGHI?

Please contact
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Apply now to the 2021 Field Scholars Awards Program!

EGHI annually funds multidisciplinary teams of students to conduct global health projects in collaboration with an Emory faculty member and in-country partner organization every year.” It includes annually and every year, so we can change to: Change to: “Every year EGHI funds multidisciplinary teams of students to conduct global health projects in collaboration with an Emory faculty member and in-country partner organization. Emory students who are awarded field scholarships receive up to \$3,000.

Applications due February 12, 2021.

[Learn more and apply >>](#)

"COVID-19 Helpers" Selected as EGHI's Children's eBook Competition Winner

EGHI's Children's eBook Competition called for e-books that could help explain the COVID-

COVID-19 HELPERS



by Beth Bacon and Kary Lee

"COVID-19 Helpers" is available to download on our website and hardcopies are available for purchase at various retailers.

Read "COVID-19 Helpers" now
[>>](#)

pandemic and the changing behaviors that have come with it in a way that would appeal to children ages 6-9.

Bringing together diverse disciplines to tackle global health issues has EGH's mission since our founding 13 years ago. Announced in April, our Children's eBook Competition offered a \$10,000 cash prize for an original book that could help explain the pandemic, and changing behaviors that have come with it, in a way that would appeal to children ages 6-9.

260 original eBooks were submitted. The winning eBook was written and illustrated by Beth Bacon and Kary Lee. "COVID-19 Helpers," tells the story of how everyone, including children, can help in the fight against COVID-19.

In a [recent interview](#), Bacon, when asked about her hopes for the book's impact on children, said, *"I hope kids will feel proud about the contributions they are making. Staying away from school, missing sports games, skipping birthday celebrations – those are real sacrifices. These kids are not doing "nothing." Kids make up an important part of an overall strategy to reduce the spread of this disease through social distancing. Until we find a medical solution, each of us has a part to play."*

2020 EGH/Georgia Tech HACK COVID-19 Hackathon Winners Announced

In May 2020, the Emory Global Health Institute, the Coulter Department of Biomedical Engineering at Georgia Tech & Emory, CREATE X, and the Emory University School of Medicine partnered to host a virtual hackathon, HACK COVID-19, with students from both universities to pursue solutions to challenging problems sparked by the COVID-19 pandemic.

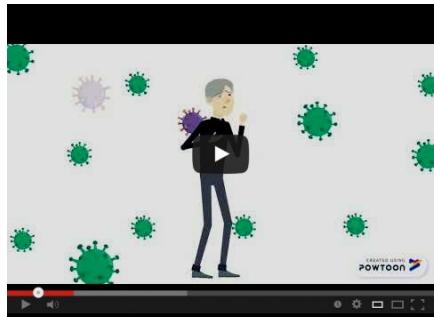
This hackathon included teams comprised of Georgia Tech and Emory students who developed solutions for multiple COVID-19-related problems. Three winning teams received a **\$10,000 cash prize**, the opportunity to take their solution to market through Georgia Tech's **CREATE-X Startup Launch accelerator**, and other potential investment opportunities.

Winning Hackathon Solutions



CAPACIT

An app that communicates current population density and capacity at businesses and public spaces to users.



CARING

An app that keeps users informed about nursing home residents' needs and health status.



COVIDhub

Integrating COVID test results into legacy Electronic Medical Records (EMRs).



Honorable Mention: COVID Cleaner

A multimodal approach using computer vision and signal processing to identify COVID-19 infection sites. .

The next hackathon is
scheduled for
January 22 - 24, 2021.

Register for your chance to win cash prizes and enrollment in Georgia Tech's CREATE-X Startup Launch!

[Register now](#)

JANUARY 22-24, 2021

HACK COVID-19: *BACK TO WORK & SCHOOL SOLUTIONS*

A virtual hackathon for students to create novel solutions to COVID-19-related challenges unique to returning to work and school settings.

Register for your chance to win cash prizes and enrollment in Georgia Tech's CREATE-X Startup Launch program! Open to all Emory University and Georgia Tech students.

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IANPHI's COVID-19 Webinar Series

COVID-19 Webinar Series

October 23, 2020

[View the webinar series >>](#)

The [International Association of National Public Health Institutes \(IANPHI\)](#), which has its U.S. Secretariat at EGHI, has been hosting a series of webinars to discuss how its member institutes are responding to the COVID-19 pandemic. Some have focused on countries and regions, while others focused on themes as varied as lockdown de-escalation strategies, COVID-19 forecasts as part of national responses, and the role of behavioral science. Every IANPHI webinars has featured prominent public health leaders who are actively involved in COVID-19 response. The webinar series resources are available on the IANPHI website.

Child Heath and Mortality Prevention Surveillance Network Publishes Initial Findings in *The Lancet Global Health*



THE LANCET
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"Initial findings from a novel population-based child mortality surveillance approach: a descriptive study" showcases the need for precise data on events along the causal pathway to death that can inform policies and interventions to reduce child mortality. These early findings highlight the value of CHAMPS' laboratory and diagnostic approaches, namely minimally invasive tissue sampling (MITS), in identifying specific causes of stillbirth and child death in Africa and Asia.

[Read more >>](#)

Dr. Jeffrey P. Koplan on the COVID-19 Pandemic



Illustration by Nathalie Lee

Barron's | We Ran the CDC. Here's How to Talk to the Public in a Health Crisis.

Dr. Jeffrey Koplan, Vice President for Global Health at Emory University, and Dr. Richard Besser, president and CEO of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation -- both former CDC Directors -- wrote commentary on the importance of public health officials leading communications about COVID-19 rather than politicians.

"Without trust, transparency, and truth, public health officials and government leaders will struggle to inform people and drive behaviors to serve the greater good."

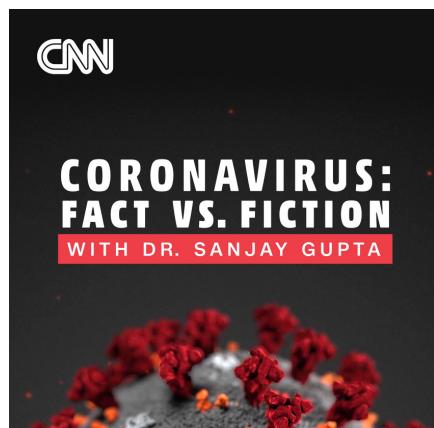
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CNN | Coronavirus: Fact Vs. Fiction with Dr. Sanjay Gupta

Dr. Jeffrey Koplan and four other former CDC Directors joined Dr. Sanjay Gupta and Anderson Cooper for a CNN Town Hall on October 10, 2020. They shared how science and public health could lead the way in controlling the virus.

When asked if masks will be necessary when a vaccine emerges and distributed, Dr. Koplan stated, "The idea that we can just throw everything away and don't need masks or other actions that we've been taking and go back to an earlier era of how we live is highly unlikely."

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Global Health Forum: Racism and Global Health

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GLOBAL HEALTH FORUM

Racism and Global Health: How Did We Get Here & Where Do We Go Now?

Moderated by:
Parmi Suchdev, MD, MPH, FAAP

The Global Health Forum, presented by the Emory Global Health Institute, features an expert panel discussing timely global health topics. On February 27, 2020, Dr. Parmi Suchdev, Associate Director of the Emory Global Health Institute, moderated a panel discussion about racism and global health. This Global Health Forum was co-sponsored by the Emory Global Health Institute and the Emory Urban Health Institute.

Panelists included Dr. Charles E. Moore, Professor, Emory University, Chief of Service, Department of Otolaryngology, Grady Health System, and Director of the Emory Urban Health Institute; Dr. Falguni A. Sheth, Associate Professor, Women, Gender & Sexuality Studies at Emory University; Dr. Robert Franklin, James T. and Berta R. Laney Professor in Moral Leadership, Candler School of Theology; and Dr. Dabney P. Evans, Associate Professor and Co-Director of Graduate Studies, Hubert Department of Global Health, Rollins School of Public Health.

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Decolonizing Global Health Series | Session 1: "Colonial Entanglements and the History of Global Health"



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November 10

Panel discussion: 12-1:30 PM

Breakout session: 4-5 PM

Session 1: "Colonial Entanglements and the History of Global Health"



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Learn more and register: <http://bit.ly/DecolonizingGHSeries>

On November 10, the Emory Global Health Institute hosted the first session in a five-part series entitled, "Decolonizing Global Health. The series focuses on global health, colonialism, and how to foster change in global health research, education, and practice.

Panelists included Dr. Randall Packard, Professor, Department of the History of Medicine at Johns Hopkins University and Garang Buk Bak Piol, Foege Fellow and 2021 Master of Public Health candidate at Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University. The panel discussion was moderated by Dr. Deborah McFarland, Associate Professor in the Hubert Department of Global Health at Rollins School of Public Health.

Please visit bit.ly/DecolonizingGHSeries for information about upcoming sessions.

[Watch the recording here >>](#)

Session 2: "The Role of Religion and Culture in Shaping Global Health"

January 19, 2021

Panel discussion : 12:00 -1:15 p.m.
Breakout session: 1:20 - 2:00 p.m.

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Register here

"Adirondacks: A Forever Wild Affair?" selected as 2020 Warren Westerberg Global Health and the Arts Prize Winner

Warren Westerberg was a renowned potter and artist who also believed that promoting good health around the world was of the utmost importance. In honor of Westerberg, the late spouse of Roseanne Waters, a founding Emory Global Health Institute staff member, EGHI began offering an annual prize in 2018 recognizing a member or members of the Emory community who have created an innovative work that bridges global health with visual art, writing, music, film/video, or other creative disciplines. The purpose of this prize is to recognize the effective use of art to inspire, initiate, or support action to address a global health challenge.



Saikat Chakraborty, Visiting Assistant Professor of Chemistry at Oxford College of Emory University, photo essay was selected as the 2020 Warren Westerberg Global Health and the Arts Prize winner.

Chakraborty's essay describes the potential effects of climate change through a fictional photo essay based on scientific findings and similar events that are happening around the world.

Chakraborty writes, "This is primarily a work of fiction and while I would never want such a future, it would do us good to remember that the future reality is probably worse. 'Truth is stranger than fiction.' My hope is that this essay will help, myself as well as others, in being mindful about our daily activities and their impact, as well spark a discussion leading to a greater awareness about the planet, thereby leading to harmonious actions."



[Read the photo essay now >>](#)

EGHI Announces Winners of the 2020 Global Health Student Photography Contest

The purpose of EGH's Global Health Student Photography Contest is to foster cultural sensitivity by encouraging Emory students conducting global health projects to examine the culture and people with whom they are working. In addition to capturing both a global health message and creating a photographic work of art, EGH also asks Emory students to consider ethical issues when taking pictures of people in low- and middle-income countries.

Below are the five 2020 winning photographs. Please [click here](#) to see more information about the competition and to view the honorable mention photographs.



"Student Participation" by Jamie Green, Rollins School of Public Health | Bangladesh

More about Jamie's photo: *"Young students in Dhaka, Bangladesh participate in a survey to determine frequency of exposure to fecal contamination in their environments, from drinking water to raw vegetables to contact with flood water. With inadequate sanitation systems, people are at great risk for diarrheal diseases through fecal-oral transmission. Understanding where these exposures occur can help target health-promotion interventions."*



"Field Smoke" by Josh Kaufmann, Rollins School of Public Health | Thailand

More about Josh's photo: *"A young boy looks upon a burning field in his backyard. It is uncertain if the fire naturally occurred from the dry conditions or was initiated by the sugarcane and rice farmers whom burn their crops each year."*



"Woman Suntans Just Outside a Cordonned Off Beach in Miami" by Gabriela Muller,
Rollins School of Public Health | United States

More about Gabriela's photo: *"The COVID-19 pandemic has changed the daily lives of every person around the world. In March, everything in Miami shut down including the public beaches. The pandemic was the first time in history the beaches have been shut down by police mandated orders. Miami's beaches attract 3.5 million tourists every year, so their closure comes as a costly yet necessary measure to reduce the spread of corona virus. One young woman decided to take advantage of the Miami sunshine and suntanned on a small patch of sand just outside a cordonned off beach."*



"Catch of the Day" by Chase Porter, Goizueta Business School | South Korea

More about Chase's photo: "Wet markets, while common in many foreign countries, can serve as the epicenters for the transmission of zoonotic diseases. This fishmonger in the local Noryangjin fish market in Seoul, South Korea, carries the gutted fish scraps from her stall out for disposal. Situated along the Han River, which runs through the heart of Seoul, local merchants provide fresh catch to local families and business owners along the South end of the bustling Seoul metropolis."



"Preparing Jerky by Headlamp" by Lydia Rautman, Rollins School of Public Health |
Madagascar

More about Lydia's photo: *"A Malagasy field guide prepares meat to dry over several days, turning into jerky. The Malagasy waste very little; what cannot be consumed immediately will be dried and preserved for later."*

2021 VIRTUAL INTRAMURAL EMORY GLOBAL HEALTH CASE COMPETITION



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The Intramural Emory Global Health Case Competition provides multidisciplinary teams of Emory students with an opportunity to address a real-world global health challenge in a competitive and collaborative environment. Student teams work together for a week to analyze a case challenge and develop a comprehensive programmatic solution by incorporating perspectives from multiple disciplines. Due to continued safety concerns surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, this event will be

hosted virtually from February 6-13, 2021.

All Emory undergraduate and graduate students are eligible to apply to participate including Emory College and Oxford College students. Emory medical residents and post-doctoral fellows are also eligible to apply. Teams are allowed to have one medical resident or post-doctoral fellow as a member, but this is not required. Students can apply as members of pre-formed multidisciplinary teams or as individuals. EGHI will place individual applicants on multidisciplinary teams. The top five teams will win cash prizes.

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