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Malawi Protects Millions through Nationwide Vaccination Campaign

Typhoid fever — a bacterial infection spread through contaminated food and water — remains a significant public health concern in low-resource countries such as Malawi. Fortunately, a single dose typhoid conjugate vaccine (TCV) is safe and protects against

typhoid fever for at least 4 years, as reported in a landmark trial conducted by UMSOM's Center for Vaccine Development and Global Health (CVD) and partners in Malawi.

In May, Malawi launched a nationwide rollout of TCV which reached more than 7 million children. The campaign also provided polio vaccine, measles-rubella vaccine, and vitamin A supplementation to age-eligible children. This monumental vaccination campaign is a huge investment in Malawi's future where now millions of children are protected from a vaccine-preventable disease.

The Typhoid Vaccine Acceleration Consortium (TyVAC), led by UMSOM's Center for Vaccine Development and Global Health, works to address the burden of disease by accelerating the introduction of TCVs in high-risk countries.



Laufer Appointed to USAID Malaria Vaccine Development Program Group

Miriam Laufer, MD, MPH, Professor of Pediatrics in the School of Medicine and Director of the Malaria Research Program at the Center for Vaccine Development and Global Health, was appointed to the Scientific Consultant Group of the USAID Malaria Vaccine Development Program.

Dr. Laufer is a member of the CGE Advisory Committee.

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Two PGIF Awardees Named SON Dean's Scholarship Scholars

Oluremi Adejumo, DNP '19, RN, FIAAN, and Charlotte Nwogwugwu, DrPH, BSN, HIV PCP, CPHBC, both assistant professors at the School of Nursing, were named the Fall 2023 UMSON

Dean's Scholarship Scholars, which recognizes their outstanding achievements and potential in research.

Dr. Adejumo and Dr. Nwogwugwu are both recipients of 2023 President's Global Impact Fund awards and Dr. Nwogwugwu is a member of the CGE Advisory Committee.

UMB Global Events



30th Annual Frontiers in Vaccinology Conference

October 5 from 2-3 p.m. at UMB Leadership Hall

The 30th Annual Frontiers in Vaccinology Conference will feature keynote speaker Mike Levine, a highly accomplished researcher and physician who has made substantial contributions to infectious disease research and vaccine development.

The event brings together experts and thought leaders from the field of vaccinology to share their insights and discoveries.

Register for the event [here](#).

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Welcome New CGE Employee Nick Cortina

The Center for Global Engagement has a new face in the office: Nick Cortina, Global Program Specialist.

Nick previously worked as a Project Associate for Development Alternatives, Inc. (DAI), an international development company that implements USAID-funded projects around the world. In this role, Nick specialized in budgetary and financial management, organized project logistics and operations, and served as a liaison to teams in the field.

Before his time at DAI, Nick worked as a Legal Assistant for the Baltimore-based immigration law firm Jaskot Law. He also previously served as the Global Recruitment Manager for Atlas Corps, a "reverse Peace Corps" that brings social change leaders from around the world to serve at organizations in the United States. Nick was responsible for the J-1 visa program management and evaluation of applicants.

Nick attended Georgetown University where he earned a Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics in 2016. He is advanced level in Spanish, intermediate in French, and beginner in Portuguese.

CGE Events



OPT Q&A Session for Graduating Students

Sept. 6 noon - 1 p.m.

Join the Office of International Services to learn more about work authorization for graduating international students. You will receive the Zoom link once you register.

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UMB Global Kick-Off

Sept. 8 from 5 - 7 p.m. in the SMC Campus Center Elm Ballrooms

Join the Center for Global Engagement in kicking off the new academic year! Play globally themed trivia, enjoy food, and learn about global groups.

Free and open to all UMB students, faculty, postdoctoral fellows, and staff.

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External Global Events & Opportunities



Join CUGH's New Young Global Health Professional Network

CUGH has created the [Young Global Health Professional Network](#) to allow an opportunity for early-career global health practitioners and students to network worldwide. Its purpose is to provide a global network where students and young global health professionals can connect, share interests, advice, and opportunities.

Membership is free and open to anyone under the age of 40 by December 31 of the current year.

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Apply for CUGH Global Health Grant

Deadline August 31

CUGH members are encouraged to apply for a [Dr. Tom Hall Education Grant](#) from the Consortium of Universities for Global Health. There are 10 grants available, each under \$5,000. Projects should improve human and environmental outcomes through education or implementation and the grants must be completed within two years of the award.

Learn more about the grant, including instructions and the criteria upon which the proposals will be judged, [here](#).

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Global Health Without Borders: Acting for Impact

Submit a Breakout Panel Proposal or Abstract to CUGH Conference 2024

Deadline September 15

The 2024 CUGH Conference will be held March 7-10 in Los Angeles, CA. This year's theme is

"Global Health without Borders: Acting for Impact." Submit your ideas for conference sessions by September 15:

- [Breakout Panel Proposal](#): A panel with 3-4 speakers and moderator; 90 minutes long; includes audience Q&A
- [Abstract Submissions](#): Original research, innovative projects, or novel programs related to global health

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Apply for a Fulbright-Fogarty Fellowship in Public Health

Deadline October 10

[Fulbright-Fogarty Fellowships in Public Health](#) are offered through a partnership between the Fulbright Program and the Fogarty International Center of the U.S. National Institutes of Health. These awards were established to promote the expansion of research in public health and clinical research in resource-limited settings.

The program is for candidates currently enrolled in medical school or in a graduate-level program and who are interested in global health. The basic requirements and process for applying for the Fulbright-Fogarty Program are the same as for any Fulbright U.S. Student Study/Research Grant.

For the 2024-2025 academic year, Fulbright-Fogarty Fellowship placements will be available in [Ethiopia](#), [Ghana](#), [Jamaica](#), [Malawi](#), [Nepal](#), [Peru](#), [Uganda](#), and [Vietnam](#).

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