



## **Global Health Corps Expands to 90 fellowships; Applications now open**

New York - Global Health Corps is expanding this year to support 90 emerging leaders in their 2012-2013 Fellowship class. Applications for placements in Burundi, Malawi, Rwanda, Uganda, Zambia and the USA are now open at <http://ghcorps.org/apply>. GHC is seeking applicants with diverse skill-sets from areas that are often viewed as outside of the traditional health workforce—managers, communicators, architects, computer scientists, supply chain analysts and other exceptional young people from disciplines important to building strong health systems.

Global Health Corps is building a community of committed young leaders who share a common belief: Health is a human right. GHC offers young leaders yearlong paid fellowships with outstanding organizations working on the frontlines of the fight for global health equity. Throughout the fellowship year, GHC provides training in partnership with Yale University, mentorship, and professional development opportunities so fellows leave their fellowship equipped to be changemakers in the field of global health. We are proud to partner with organizations like Partners In Health, Clinton Health Access Initiative, Mothers2Mothers, and many other leaders in global health equity.

Since 2009, Global Health Corps has placed 126 fellows to work in non-profit and government partners focused on healthcare delivery. GHC currently has 68 fellows working in Burundi, Malawi, Rwanda, Uganda, and the United States. Fellows work on projects ranging from developing electronic medical record systems in Malawi, to counseling homeless youth in New Jersey, to constructing a world-class hospital in rural Rwanda.

Melissa Levenger, a '09-10 Alumni Fellow, spent a year working with Clinton Health Access Initiative (CHAI) at a District Pharmacy in Rwanda. Here, Melissa worked on providing supply chain management technical assistance, working to build the capacity of local staff in the areas of inventory management, forecasting, and health facility supervision. Currently, she is working with a USAID PEPFAR Implementing Partner, Supply Chain Management System (SCMS) as a Research Officer, developing a set of performance metrics for countries to monitor supply chain performance, informing better strategic and programmatic decision-making.

GHC Alumni '10-11, Chandler O'Connell (American) and Fidele Maburuki (Burundian) worked as co-Fellows for Clinton Health Access Initiative (CHAI) in Burundi. During their Fellowship, O'Connell and Maburuki worked on the front



lines as Human Resource Consultants to the CHAI Health Program. They established the first National Human Resources for Health Database with over 16,000 entries, publishing the National HRH Situation Analysis, and designing and leading regional trainings for provincial and district health managers on database use and management. Today, O'Connell works at One Acre Fund in Rwanda. O'Connell remarked "The GHC community had a huge impact on my happiness this year. It was so great coming into a new country with a built in support network and feeling like I was able to reach out to anyone at anytime was extremely powerful."

GHC seeks to engage and empower a new generation of leaders to change the unacceptable status quo of extreme inequity in health outcomes around the world.

To apply for a 2012-2013 Fellowship, go to <http://ghcorps.org/apply>. All applicants must be under 30 years of age, have earned an undergraduate university degree by July 2012, and be proficient in English. For detailed descriptions of next year's Fellowship positions, go to: <http://ghcorps.org/apply/placements>. **Applications close on February 17<sup>th</sup>.**

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