



The Exemplar

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Hi Friend,

Most of us have heard the saying: “If a tree falls in a forest, and nobody is around to hear it, does it make a sound?” As we close out the year, the old adage is taking on a renewed meaning for all of us at Exemplars in Global Health (EGH).

At EGH, we are fortunate to work with our partners to understand how countries can make better decisions in global health, and how those decisions can help others inform their own policies and practices. One could say we spend most of our time mid-forest, registering the echoes of good work that has led to positive outcomes in global health.

Since our inception, we’ve captured the sound of success all around the world. We’ve studied how Peru’s under-five mortality rate decreased by 57%; how India’s Maharashtra state recorded 88% mass drug administration (MDA) coverage against lymphatic filariasis; how Zambia increased its DTP3 vaccine coverage to 91%; how Brazil’s community health workers helped nearly two-thirds of the population access health care; and how the Kyrgyz Republic halved its stunting rate.


Highlighting these thunderous achievements is part of what drives us – because it allows us to celebrate, and even more importantly, learn from lessons that allow others to replicate success at scale.

As we think of the year that’s been, we could not be happier to have capped off 2022 by registering a particularly joyful noise. Earlier this month, members of our team traveled to Dakar, and – together with the Senegal Ministry of Health and Social Action (MoHSA) – [established a partnership](#) to highlight the country’s accomplishments in global health and foster collaboration around maternal and child health, vaccine delivery, and pandemic response.

Senegal has created a lot of wins in global health. And we are eager – and grateful – to be able to amplify them. In some ways, this agreement bears witness to the last tree to fall in 2022’s forest. The good news for what’s ahead is this: by helping ensure the messages from positive outliers like Senegal reverberate far and wide, we can ensure good decisions continue to make an increasingly louder noise, no matter the forest in which they fall.

Wishing you and yours a roaring new year.

Best,
Niranjan Bose


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Global Health Delivery Intensive (GHDI) – APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN!

Want to change the way you think about how to design and manage programs that improve health care delivery and outcomes in low-resource settings? Seeking to get a deeper understanding of how to leverage your skills for impact?

Join EGH team members at [Global Health Delivery Intensive \(GHDI\)](#), a three-week virtual training program at Harvard School of Public Health, taking place in July 2023.

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NUMBER OF THE MONTH

56%

From 2000 to 2015, Senegal's under-five mortality rate declined by 56%.

[See how the country](#) implemented comprehensive vaccination programs and Integrated Management of Childhood Illness (IMCI) to significantly reduce its U5M.

EXEMPLARS STORIES

How did Burkina Faso cut its under-five mortality by 74%?

Investments in malaria and HIV prevention, as well as universal health care for women and children under five, have driven rapid improvements in health outcomes.

How are people-based waste management strategies helping communities in Nepal stay healthy?

Partnership for Sustainable Development Nepal Vice Chairperson Dr. Suresh Tiwari and the organization’s Executive Director Bishnu Bhatta share their vision for a waste-free – and healthier – Nepal.

How did Botswana nearly eliminate mother-to-child transmission of HIV and save thousands of lives?

The country has used data and a ‘test-all, treat-all’ policy to reduce perinatal transmission of HIV from 40% to less than 2% over the past two decades.

EVENTS

Grand Challenges Canada – RFP Deadline ([#RequestforProposals](#)) Deadline to Apply: January 23, 2023!

Have an innovation in climate adaptation? Learn about available funding from Grand Challenges Canada to support food security, water access, urban heat issues and other projects.

International Day of Education ([#InternationalDayOfEducation](#)) January 24, 2023

The United Nations’ fifth International Day of Education has a theme of “to invest in people, prioritize education,” and builds on the global momentum generated by the UN Transforming Education Summit in September 2022. The day will call for maintaining strong political mobilization around education, and chart the way to translate commitments and global initiatives into action that accelerates progress towards all the Sustainable Development Goals, against the backdrop of a global recession, growing inequalities, and the climate crisis.

Prince Mahidol Award Conference 2023 (PMAC2023) ([#pmac2023](#)) January 27-29, 2023

In 2023, PMAC – a global multi-stakeholder gathering – will address the triple planetary crisis: climate change, biodiversity loss and pollution, and the triple billion global health burden of people lacking access to health care, needing enhanced protection from health emergencies, and falling behind health and wellbeing metrics. The conference will promote deeper dives with a strong emphasis on policy and private sector accountability and initiatives at the global, national, regional, and community levels.

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Join a passionate and dedicated community of global health leaders working on the biggest challenges of our times. Take advantage of critical learning from countries around the world as you tackle similar problems at home. And, add your knowledge and voice to a robust and growing set of resources designed to ensure the positive and most equitable global health outcomes.

