

## 2024 Fellowships for HIV Implementation Science Research Training at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health Summer Program

The **Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health**, together with **Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Science (MUHAS)** and the **Africa Academy for Public Health (AAPH)**, offer a limited number of summer research training fellowships at Harvard Chan to Tanzanian public health researchers, physician scientists, and other health professionals through the HIV Implementation Science Research Training Program, with support from the Fogarty International Center at the U.S. National Institutes of Health (NIH).

The goal of this training program is to develop a cadre of public health and medical researchers in Tanzania prepared to lead research and scientific projects. Through focused mentorship and coursework, trainees are supported to develop skills in methodological and substantive aspects of HIV Implementation Science. The **HIV Implementation Science (HIS) Research Training Program** focuses on implementation science, impact evaluation, and health system research for HIV treatment, prevention of mother to child transmission, and nutrition interventions. This year the Program will be supporting four (04) Summer Fellows.

**Summer training at Harvard Chan:** The program provides six-week fellowships in Boston, Massachusetts, USA for trainees to attend the Summer Session in Public Health Studies at Harvard Chan as non-degree students. Trainees must commit to attending the full Summer Session, July 9–August 16, 2024, and taking 7.5 credits of coursework. This program provides an opportunity to refine methodological skills through focused coursework while working with a faculty mentor from Harvard to advance research plans. Fellows are expected to return to Tanzania upon completion of their training in Boston, where they will receive continued mentorship for post-doctoral, doctoral, or pre-doctoral research.

**Package:** A limited number of awards will be made to provide accepted trainees with:

- Roundtrip airfare between Tanzania and Boston (economy class)
- Tuition for 7.5 credits and coverage of registration costs
- Basic health insurance for the duration of the program
- A stipend to cover lodging, food, transportation, books, and other living expenses

**Qualifications:** Candidates for summer training fellowships must be admitted into the Harvard Chan Summer Program via a separate application process (deadline March 1<sup>st</sup> 2024). Fellowships are awarded to postdoctoral researchers or current students enrolled in a doctoral or master's program in medicine, public health or other related field at MUHAS, and other Medical Universities in Tanzania. Interested members of staff from other institutions, such as Ifakara Health Institute, AAPH, or Management Development for Health (MDH) are also encouraged to apply. Successful candidates will have a demonstrated interest in HIV implementation.

**How to Apply:** Email Elizabeth Fine at [efine@hsph.harvard.edu](mailto:efine@hsph.harvard.edu) and copy to Dr. Chris Sudfeld at [csudfeld@hsph.harvard.edu](mailto:csudfeld@hsph.harvard.edu) and to Prof Muhammad Bakari at [drbakari@yahoo.com](mailto:drbakari@yahoo.com) to indicate your intention to apply for the Summer Session and the following materials by **January 22, 2024**:

1. Statement of Interest indicating your interest in HIV implementation science
2. Curriculum Vitae
3. One letter of recommendation

Decisions for the fellowship program will be made by early February, and applicants will be notified directly.