

Introduction to Global Child Health Elective
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Speaker Biographies

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Dr. Abdulrahman is an Assistant Professor of Pediatrics and Emergency Medicine at George Washington School of Medicine and Children's National Medical Center. She completed her Emergency Medicine Fellowship training at Emory University where she helped set up a global health tract for pediatric residents. At Children's National, she teaches Emergency Triage Assessment and Treatment and Ethics in Global Health for the Pediatric Residency Global Health Course. She is originally from Ethiopia and has worked at the government hospital in Addis Ababa. She regularly attends meetings to discuss health issues in Ethiopia.

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Dr. Kristen Breslin is an attending in the Division of Emergency Medicine at Children's National. She is a Global Health Faculty Mentor for pediatric residents. She volunteers in Roatan, Honduras and is able to facilitate resident rotations at this site. She has contributed her clinical and teaching expertise to Project Medi-Share in Haiti through GWU and can serve as a faculty contact for residents interested in this program. Dr. Breslin has a particular interest in addressing issues and systems which affect delivery of care. She aims to improve access and timeliness of care provision in resource limited acute care pediatric settings. Specifically, she has trained medical providers both here and abroad using the WHO Emergency Triage Assessment and Treatment (ETAT) Curriculum. She received her medical degree from Harvard Medical School and completed her pediatric residency at the Boston Combined Residency Program. She finished Pediatric Emergency Medicine Fellowship at Children's National while completing her Master's in Public Health at George Washington University.

Dorothy Bulas

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Dr. Bulas is a Professor of Pediatrics and Radiology and serves as the Vice Chief of Academic Affairs and the Fellowship Director for the Division of Diagnostic Imaging and Radiology at Children's National. She is the section head of ultrasound and fetal imaging. She has served on the steering committee for the World Federation of Pediatric Imaging (WFPI), and is liaison to multiple radiology organizations to advocate for pediatric radiology worldwide. With over 30 years of experience participating in educational teaching missions to low and middle-income countries, Dr. Bulas has introduced and expanded access to pediatric imaging around the globe.

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She has contributed her pediatric radiology expertise to addressing the congenital Zika epidemic. She received her medical degree from the Medical College of Pennsylvania, completed her pediatric residency at New York Hospital and radiology residency at Albert Einstein College of Medicine. She completed her Pediatric Radiology Fellowship training at Children's National.

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Dr. Campbell is a graduate of Case Western Reserve School of Medicine completed his residency training at Harvard Affiliated Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston followed by Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Fellowship at Northwestern University. In July 2017, he became the Director of Comprehensive Sickle Cell Program at Children's National Medical Center in Washington DC. He is also an Associate Professor of Pediatrics at George Washington University School of Medicine. He is currently the Research Lead with Global Health Initiative with a new project with Lagos University Teaching Hospital in Nigeria. He has extensive research experience in Sickle Cell Research in Ghana. Before his move to Washington, he directed the University of Michigan Comprehensive Pediatric Hemoglobinopathies Program which includes the Pediatric Sickle Cell and Thalassemia clinic and the Pediatric Sickle Cell Program. He co-directed the University of Michigan Minority Health International Research Training Program. For the past several years, he has focused his research on understanding the varied phenotypic expression of sickle cell disease (SCD) in different populations through the multinational CASiRe (Consortium for the Advancement of Sickle Cell Disease Research) which he directs. The International Consortium includes 1) Europe- Italy (University of Padova, University of Naples) and UK (Guys St Thomas) 2) North America- USA: Univ of Michigan, Univ of Toledo-Promedica Toledo Children's Hospital, University of Illinois Chicago, Univ of Connecticut, Albert Einstein-Montefiore, Case Medical Center-Rainbow Children's, and 3) Africa- Ghana- Korle Bu Teaching Hospital. The focus of the CASIRE Sickle Cell Research Group is the "CASIRE Renal Cohort Study" which is describing the risk factors associated with proteinuria in different SCD populations. He remains on Faculty at the Northern Pacific Fogarty Global Health Fellows & Scholars Program.

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Dr. Chapman is a Pediatric Emergency Medicine Attending and Director of the Pediatric Emergency Medicine Fellowship at CNHS. She now also coordinates the gPEM (Global Pediatric Emergency Medicine) Program at Children's National, and has volunteered her clinical and teaching expertise at sites in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, New Delhi, India and most recently in Milot, Haiti. She has also worked on projects for the World Bank, as well as the Mamta Health Institute for Mother and Child in New Delhi. She is specifically interested in developing educational exchanges with academic centers in other countries. She completed the Master Teacher Leadership Development Program at Children's National. She received her medical

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Dr. Mattia Chason is an attending pediatric hospitalist at Children's National Medical Center for the Mid-Atlantic Kaiser Permanente Medical Group. He recently graduated from the Children's National Health System Pediatric Residency program and was awarded a certificate in Global Child Health for his commitment to improving the health and lives of children in developing countries. His interest in global health dates back to college when he began participating in medical mission trips to Central America (Dominican Republic, Costa Rica, Nicaragua) with US volunteer physicians. While a medical student at Tufts University in Boston, he continued to pursue opportunities in developing countries and was selected amongst students nationwide to work for 3 months in the pediatric ward at the "Hôpital Albert Schweitzer" in Lambaréné, Gabon. Nobel peace prize winner Dr. Albert Schweitzer founded this hospital back in 1913. As a 2nd year resident interested in exploring the field of infectious diseases, he spent 4 weeks in Lima, Peru at the "Instituto Nacional De Salud del Niño." He worked hand in hand with arguably the most renowned pediatric infectious diseases specialist in the country. Most recently, as a 3rd year resident, he spent 5 weeks in Luang Prabang, Laos at the "Lao Friends Hospital for Children." His main focus was educating Laotian pediatricians while supervising the care of hospitalized children.

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Dr. Lanre Falusi is a pediatrician and the Associate Medical Director of Municipal and Regional Affairs at the Child Health Advocacy Institute, and Assistant Residency Program Director of the Community Health Track, of Children's National Health System. Dr. Falusi is the Past President of the DC Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics (DC AAP) and has practiced primary care pediatrics for several years in largely immigrant neighborhoods. With the influx of unaccompanied immigrant children into the DC area in 2014, Dr. Falusi was part of a group of pediatricians who created the interdisciplinary DC AAP Immigrant Health Committee to support healthcare providers and community advocates who care for this vulnerable population. Dr. Falusi has spoken at national conferences and in the media on the topics of child poverty, immigrant health, and social determinants of health, and she regularly provides testimony on local and national levels to promote child health and well-being. Dr. Falusi's professional interests and activities include child health advocacy, immigrant and minority health, early childhood development, toxic stress and resilience, and education across the continuum from medical students through faculty.

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Dr. Ferrer is an attending physician in the Pediatric Hospitalist Division and the Special Immunology Section of the Infectious Disease Department at CNHS. Currently, she is the Education lead for the newly launched Children's National Global Health Initiative. She serves as a clinician for the Children's National Special Immunology clinic caring for children with perinatally- and horizontally-acquired HIV and as a consultant physician for the adolescent Burgess clinic. She is a Global Health Faculty Mentor for CNHS residents and co-director of the Global Child Health Curriculum at CNHS. Previously, she served as the Medical Director of the Baylor College of Medicine Bristol-Myers Squibb Children's Clinical Centre of Excellence in Maseru, Lesotho from 2005-2009 where she assisted with scale-up of pediatric HIV care and treatment for the country. She has lectured frequently on pediatric HIV, malnutrition, tuberculosis and global health topics in sub-Saharan Africa, Romania, Kyrgyzstan, China and the United States. She also served as a locum tenens physician for the Indian Health Service in Chinle, Arizona. She completed her internal medicine and pediatrics residency at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, Texas in 2003.

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Rebecca Fields, MPH has 30 years of experience supporting immunization system strengthening, new vaccine introduction, and injection safety in Africa and Asia, plus advocacy and behavior change communication for new vaccines, injection safety, and H1N1 control. Since 2011, she has been a senior technical advisor for immunization with John Snow Inc. (JSI) on USAID's Maternal Child Health Integrated Program, playing a key role in MCHIP's activities to integrate immunization with family planning service delivery. She led JSI's work on a World Health Organization (WHO) project to make strategic use of measles mass campaigns to strengthen routine immunization and was core staff on the Gates-funded ARISE project to identify drivers of improved immunization in Africa. Previously she served as senior technical officer on USAID's IMMUNIZATION basics project, immunization team co-chair for the BASICS I project, and immunization technical coordinator for the REACH II project. She co-authored Immunization Essentials: A Practical Field Guide, and USAID's e-learning course on immunization. She holds degrees from Smith College and Yale University in biology and public health, respectively.

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Devasena Gnanashanmugam is a pediatric infectious diseases physician experienced in conducting clinical research across academic, government, and industry sectors. As Senior Director in Medical Affairs at Cepheid, she is responsible for keeping abreast of clinical guidelines and management recommendations for diagnostics in infectious diseases with emphasis on TB, HIV, and hepatitis, to inform research and development and management

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teams on current and future approaches to Cepheid products. Prior to joining Cepheid, Devasena was the branch chief for the Maternal, Adolescent and Pediatric Research Branch at the Division of AIDS, NIAID, NIH. She provided oversight for extramural investigator initiated research and interventional trials within the clinical networks for pediatric and maternal HIV and TB. She has served on the Department of Health and Human Services (USA) guidelines committees for perinatal and pediatric HIV treatment, and was a member of the Pediatric ARV Drug Optimization group (PADO), convened by WHO. She served as the DAIDS lead for the Pediatric Tuberculosis Biomarker working group, to harmonize TB diagnostic research for children and to include children and pregnant women into the RePORT observational cohort consortium for TB research. She also worked as a safety physician and medical monitor for pharma sponsored clinical trials and as a clinical development physician for anti-infective drug development for adults. She is a member of the WHO Child and Adolescent TB working group and a reviewer for EDCTP grants. She has been an author on over 15 publications and has been an invited session chair at the Internal AIDS Conference and the UNION World Conference on Lung Health.

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Dr. Jacobs is Senior Medical Advisor for Pediatrics in the Office of Maternal-Child Health (MCH) & Nutrition at USAID's Global Health Bureau. He has 20+ years of experience in quality improvement, health systems strengthening, & capacity building related to MCH in developing countries and the US – particularly at the community & primary health levels. His global work for USAID, CDC, WHO, UNICEF, and implementing agencies includes over a dozen countries mostly concentrated in east and southern Africa. As a practicing pediatrician, he continues improving the health of poor and vulnerable children globally and locally. He is an active member of AAP's International Child Health Section and APA's International Health SIG. He received his medical degree from Johns Hopkins University, pediatric training and Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholars fellowship from University of Washington, and MPH from Columbia University.

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Dr. Barbara Jantausch is a Professor in the Division of Infectious Diseases at Children's National Health System and the Department of Pediatrics of The George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences. She is an Attending Physician on the Infectious Disease Inpatient Consultation Service and in the Infectious Disease Clinic at Children's National Medical Center. She has cared for many returning travelers with tropical diseases.

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Dr. Jantausch was the Director of the Fellowship Training Program in Infectious Diseases at Children's National for eleven years and is a member of the Children's Academy of Pediatric Educators (CAPE). She has designed E-learning modules regarding tropical medicine topics. Dr. Jantausch is interested in Global Health and has chaired numerous symposia at national meetings, including *The Returned Pediatric Traveler* and *Emerging and Challenging Infections in Infants*.

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Dr. Cyril Jacquot is Associate Medical Director of Transfusion Medicine and Therapeutic Apheresis at Children's National Health System. His responsibilities also include interpretation of peripheral blood smears and coagulation testing. Prior to moving to Washington DC, he completed residency training in anatomic pathology/clinical pathology at University of California, San Francisco (2011-2015), followed by transfusion medicine fellowship training at Blood Centers of the Pacific/University of California, San Francisco (2015-2016).

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Dr. Manthiram is a Clinical Fellow at the National Human Genome Research Institute at the National Institutes of Health. She completed medical school at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, her pediatrics residency at the Boston Combined Residency Program at Boston Children's Hospital and Boston Medical Center, and her pediatric infectious disease fellowship at the Vanderbilt University School of Medicine. She is currently studying the clinical outcomes and biological mechanisms of periodic fever syndromes at NIH. During residency, she studied vaccine uptake and parental attitudes toward vaccination in an urban population in Chennai, India. She is also a medical advisor for Healthy Children, Brighter Futures, a non-profit organization which implemented an infant home visit program by nurses in rural India.

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Shaanan Meyerstein, MD, MPH, FAAP is a Pediatrician and Lieutenant Commander in the United States Public Health Service. He currently serves as a Medical Officer in the Division of Health for Unaccompanied Children within the Office of Refugee Resettlement in the Administration of Children's and Families in HHS. He continues to work as a Clinical Instructor of Pediatrics in the Department of Pediatric Emergency Medicine at CNMC where he worked as an ER associate for two years. Prior to his work in the ER, Shaanan spent a year with the Baylor International Pediatric AIDS Corps in Botswana after completing his Pediatric Residency at

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Scott A. Norton, M.D., M.P.H., M.Sc., is Chief of Dermatology at Children's National Medical Center and a Professor of Dermatology and Pediatrics at the George Washington University. In addition, he is on the academic faculty at Georgetown University and Howard University. Dr Norton was Chief of Dermatology at Walter Reed Army Medical Center for many years and retired as a Colonel from the US Army. He has clinical privileges at the National Institutes of Health and Walter Reed National Military Medical Center and serves as a frequent consultant in Dermatology and in Tropical Medicine to the State Department, Peace Corps, and CDC. In addition to Dermatology, Dr Norton's academic interests are in Tropical Medicine, Infectious Diseases, and Global Health. While with the federal government, his overseas medical experiences included duties in Zambia, Egypt, Ghana, Mauritania, Senegal, Haiti, Jamaica, Guyana, Bolivia, Peru, Marshall Islands, Fiji, Palau, Federated States of Micronesia, and the Philippines. He worked on clinical, educational and public health projects, including many humanitarian assistance and disaster relief operations. He has additional certification in Tropical Medicine and Traveler's Health from the American Society of Tropical Medicine & Hygiene. Other interests include ethnobotany (traditional uses of plants) and medical anthropology. Dr. Norton has more than 80 indexed publications, including papers in many journals outside the dermatology literature, such as *New England Journal of Medicine*, *JAMA*, *Lancet*, *British Medical Journal*, *Clinical Infectious Diseases*, *Emerging Infectious Diseases*, *Vaccine*, and *MMWR*. He is a former Assistant Editor of the *Journal of the American Academy of Dermatology* and remains a reviewer for that and many other journals.

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Dr. B. Ryan Phelps, a pediatrician and USAID Medical Officer in PMTCT and pediatric HIV, joined USAID's Office of HIV/AIDS in late 2009, and has provided technical assistance to PEPFAR-supported programs throughout sub-Saharan Africa. Prior to joining USAID, Dr. Phelps worked for the Baylor International Pediatrics AIDS Initiative in Swaziland and Botswana for several years. Dr. Phelps is a graduate of Duke University School of Medicine and the Johns Hopkins University School of Public Health. He trained in pediatrics at the University of California, San Francisco.

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Dr. Postels is an associate professor of pediatric neurology at George Washington University and Children's National Medical Center. He has worked in global health since 2010 and has completed or ongoing patient-oriented research projects in western, eastern, and southern Africa. His current main research site is Blantyre, Malawi, where he conducts a Phase III randomized trial of 2 interventions with a primary goal of decreasing rates of death and neurologic disability in children with cerebral malaria at high risk of death.

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Dr. Turner is a pediatrician at Unity Health Care (Upper Cardozo site). She grew up abroad as a child of international school educators, sparking her interest in global health. After training in the Pediatric Residency Program in Social Pediatrics at the Children's Hospital at Montefiore in the Bronx, NY, Chloe completed a two-year Pediatric Global Health Fellowship through the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, serving in the Dominican Republic from 2013-2015 (in a community health clinic and a comprehensive HIV center).

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Dr. Zimmerman is a Pediatric Cardiology Fellow and Global Health Fellow at Children's National Health Institute. Her global health fellowship is funded through the American Heart Association Strategically Focused Research Networks. She completed her pediatric residency at Brown University/Hasbro Children's Hospital, where she spent time abroad in Eldoret, Kenya working in an academic hospital in general pediatrics. She is currently completing her Master in Public Health degree from the Milken Institute School of Public Health. Her current research projects include a population-based health project using large data from the Institutes of Health Metrics and Evaluation, to establish the most up to date estimations of congenital heart disease prevalence and mortality worldwide. She works closely with Drs. Beaton and Sable on multiple rheumatic heart disease projects. The projects include both population and clinical health research to improve the detection and diagnosis of acute rheumatic fever with the goal of reducing the global burden of rheumatic heart disease. She will also be helping to carry out a randomized control trial in Uganda over a 3-month period in the summer of 2018, looking at the effects of Penicillin on patients with latent rheumatic heart disease.

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Dr. Wall is a neonatologist and currently works as a Senior Technical Advisor for Save the Children, Saving Newborn Lives. He has consulted on projects in numerous countries related to newborn survival. He has also served as an advisor for the landmark Helping Babies Breathe initiative rolled out in 2010.