

Mary Horrigan Connors Center for Women's Health and Gender Biology

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The BWH Connors Center Global Women's Health (GWH) Fellowship is a one-year mentored award program which enables clinical and research fellows and early career clinical investigators to develop and apply research skills through the implementation of a research project in the area of global women's health. The program aims to support physicians in pursuing careers that further the health and well-being of women globally through innovative and meaningful research, to elevate the visibility of the field of global women's health, and to promote research pertinent to the advancement of the health of women worldwide. The objectives are to train leaders who:

- Achieve successful careers dedicated to furthering the health and well-being of women globally.
- Conduct clinical and field research based on robust quantitative and analytic research skills.
- Obtain fundamental knowledge and understanding of global health issues that uniquely affect the health of women within the context of social, cultural, and political environments.

One fellow will be selected annually to receive a \$10,000, one-year award that will start on July 1, 2022 with the option to request a second year of funding. The GWH Fellow also benefits from mentorship through regular meetings with the Fellowship Director, Lydia Pace, MD, MPH, mentoring in research methods from Janet Rich-Edwards, ScD, MPH, Connors Center Director of Lifecourse Epidemiology, and through feedback and guidance received at Connors Center programs from the community of senior Connors Center Members who are leaders in their respective women's health and sex/gender disciplines. Funding is expected to be used to cover research project costs, such as training and education activities, participation in meetings and conferences, and costs associated with data collection and analysis. Funds may not be used to support fellows' salary.

The fellowship award program is open to current and pending clinical and research fellows of Brigham and Women's Hospital and targeted Harvard Medical School graduate education programs. For trainees, the selection process is carried out in coordination with the applicant's primary department at BWH or HMS. BWH early-career investigators (i.e., Instructor or Assistant Professor) with an established track record or interest in global and/or women's health research and scholarship (e.g., publications or current or prior professional positions or affiliations in global health) are also eligible to apply. The fellowship supports investigations of conditions that are exclusive, predominate, or differential in women and in areas where women experience a particular disadvantage based on gender inequalities and other social determinants (e.g. HIV and AIDS, displacement due to war and disaster).

Please direct questions about the program to Fellowship Director Lydia Pace, MD, MPH (lp@bwh.harvard.edu) or Natasha Minor (nminor@bwh.harvard.edu), Connors Center Assistant Director of Operations and Programming