

Advancing Health and Wholeness

Christian Connections for International Health (CCIH) is a global network of Christian organizations and individuals committed to advancing health and wholeness.



More than 100 organizations and several hundred individuals promoting health services in facilities, communities, and congregations



>50% members based in low/middle-income countries



Bringing together a diverse array of NGOs, mission and volunteer agencies, donation agencies, church networks, Christian Health Associations, policy makers, academics + more

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how we do it

CCIH works through our network to advance global health and wholeness from a Christian perspective.



Capacity Strengthening

CCIH holds regular webinars and forums, shares best practices and information and alerts members to specific funding or learning opportunities to help support their work.



Fellowship

CCIH members pray together and share devotionals, praises and concerns. The Integration of Faith and Health Working Group explores how our Christian faith informs our work.



Networking

CCIH's annual global health conferences have reached thousands of leaders in over 70 countries in recent years. CCIH Working Groups, discussion groups, member features and articles about member work foster valuable connections.



Advocacy

CCIH advocates with governments and entities in Washington, DC, Geneva and in many countries, promoting the value of global health programs and the unique strength of faith-based health care and faith communities.

We amplify our members' impact by increasing their visibility, advocating for them with funders and policy makers, and helping them develop the resources they need to serve. Our work is supported by member dues and individual donations, and we partner with organizations on projects supported by major donors.

what our members say



"CCIH is a platform where CHAG explores partnerships, forges alliances, and networks..."

...with like-minded Christian health providers. CCIH, together with CHAG, is the best guarantee for promoting Jesus Christ's healing ministries."

Peter Yeboah, Executive Director, Christian Health Association of Ghana



"Working toward health for all is a great challenge. That's why partnerships are a key aspect of the AMOS ministry..."

...CCIH is an important and needed space where we have been able to share about our journey, learn from others, and encourage one another as we all work toward a better world."

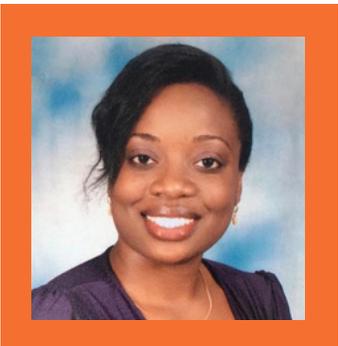
Dr. Gabriella Woo, Executive Director, AMOS Health and Hope



"It has been a privilege to be part of CCIH. It is a unique forum..."

...where people from around the globe come together and share their ministries, experiences and challenges. It provides an opportunity to learn from each other's successes and even failures, which can be shared in a supportive environment."

Dr. Ashchenaz Lall, Chair, Christian Hospitals Association of Pakistan



"CCIH for me is a community where my faith and practice merge..."

...At CCIH we learn, share and grow in the practice of International Health with Christ as the center"

Ruth M. Kayima, Health and Gender Coordinator (East Africa), World Renew



"We have benefited greatly from being a part of CCIH. It is a wonderful platform..."

...to make meaningful connections with other like-minded organizations that work in public health, to share about the work we do, and to learn from others."

Justin Narducci, President and CEO, CURE International



Here's the opportunity

With 84% of the global population belonging to a major religion, a "faith engagement strategy" is vital—but often missing—from global health interventions.

Faith-based organizations are vital



- Christian health workers and organizations are frequently the only actors to "reach the last mile," be that a remote village, an urban slum, or any community of people who lack access to care.
- They operate training and community health programs and work with religious leaders who routinely influence attitudes and drive health behaviors.
- They are mostly locally formed, owned and controlled, resulting in culturally appropriate approaches.



Why CCIH matters

The world is changing and governments, donors, and Christian health programs are trying to find new ways to work together to solve complex health problems. CCIH draws on the strength of global and local institutions to strengthen local services and engage church leaders, promoting learning, advocacy and raising a network of next-generation leaders.

CCIH helps our network:



Tell their story. They want new and fresh ways to share news and impacts of their work with a variety of audiences.



Promote adaptive learning and capacity strengthening. They seek help responding to the call for evidence-based practice and applying emerging global guidelines to local contexts.



Access resources and partners to advance their programs. They want to see better coordination, sharing of funding opportunities and brokerage of networks and consortia.



Strengthen their integration of faith and health. They want to refine how Christian faith adds perspective and motivation to their work.



Belong to an influential global movement. Their voice needs to be amplified for policy makers and funders at local, national and international levels.

