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. Currently, she is involved in establishing ED protocols and a therapeutic hypothermia program in Bahir Dar, Ethiopia.

**Tania Ahluwalia**  
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Dr. Tania Ahluwalia is a Pediatric Emergency Medicine attending and an Assistant Professor of Pediatrics and Emergency Medicine at Children’s National Health System in Washington, DC. She trained in Pediatrics at University of Illinois and completed her Pediatric Emergency Medicine fellowship at Children’s Mercy Hospital in Kansas City. Before her career in medicine, Tania studied received her Bachelor of Sciences in Nursing at McMaster University and worked as a Public Health Nurse in schools in Ontario, Canada.

At the undergraduate level, Tania was a Public Speaker for UNICEF Canada and she founded an organization called UNICEF Mac, a campus ambassador program, which provided students with a portal to learn about global development issues. She helped to organize an International Conference on the Impact of Global Issues of Health on Women & Children in Dhaka, Bangladesh, and she also led conferences on Millennium Development Goals closer to her hometown in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. She also volunteered for Hurricane Katrina relief in New Orleans, Louisiana.

As a Pediatric resident in Illinois, Tania received the Shot@Life Global Vaccination Grant through the American Academy of Pediatrics, where she educated community members about the UN Foundation’s Shot@Life Campaign, which aims to provide four life-saving vaccines: measles, polio, pneumococcus & rotavirus. She also received scholarships through the American Academy of Pediatrics and the Shot@Life campaign to receive training in advocacy.
media and event planning to advocate for childhood vaccines. She also wrote several articles for the American Academy of Pediatrics Section on Medical Students, Residents and Fellowship Trainees on global vaccinations. In her residency she also collaborated with healthcare providers to serve over 2000 Haitians with the Friends of the Children of Haiti Clinic in Cyvadier, Haiti.

During her Pediatric Emergency Medicine fellowship, she traveled to Switzerland, Laos, Switzerland and India. In Geneva, Switzerland, she participated in the Health Emergencies in Large Populations course to further her knowledge in the management of humanitarian operations in disasters, conflicts and other crises. In Laos, she provided bedside teaching in the emergency department and taught the pediatric emergency medicine module to the first residency class of Emergency Medicine residents at Health Frontiers. She also served as a Pediatric Emergency Medicine Guest Lecturer at Ramathibodi hospital, Mahidol University; Vajira Hospital, Navamindradhiraj University and Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok; Khon Kaen Hospital in Khon Kaen, and Maharaj Nakorn Hospital in Chiang Mai.

She served as George Washington University Visiting Faculty in India in 2017 and 2018, and revamped the curriculum for Pediatric Emergency Medicine. She worked with emergency medicine residents in Delhi, Dehradun, Kochi, Kozhikode and Bangalore. She continues to work with programs throughout India with the aim of increasing knowledge of management for pediatric emergencies as well as improving comfort with children and their families. Her areas of interest for research include: medical education through simulation, qualitative research, injury prevention and pediatric trauma.

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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.
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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 Mamba 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 degree from McGill University, completed her pediatric residency at Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago and her Pediatric Emergency Medicine Fellowship at Nationwide Children’s Hospital in Columbus, Ohio.

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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 Children’s National Global Health Initiative and serves on the Global Health Steering Community for the APPD (Association of Pediatric Program Directors). She is a clinician for the Children’s National Special Immunology clinic caring for children with perinatally- and horizontally-acquired HIV and the co-director for the Ryan White HIV Services Quality Management Committee. 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.

Rebecca Fields
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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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Dr. Good is an attending physician in the Division of Emergency Medicine here at Children's National for 10 years. She began her International Health interest and education as a Pediatric resident in the Global Health track at Rainbow Babies and Children’s Hospital in Cleveland, Ohio. Then, as a Pediatric Emergency Medicine fellow in Atlanta, Georgia at Emory University

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Dr. Good served as the primary physician working with Emory University School of Medicine student organization, Emory Health Against Human Trafficking (EHAHT). In 2013, Dr. Good completed a Diploma in Tropical Medicine at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (LSHTM). For the past 10 years Dr. Good has participated in annual health evaluations and observations at a Child Trafficking Rescue center in Chiang Saen, Thailand with the EHAHT student organization. With her ongoing network in Thailand Dr. Good has been instrumental in creating the partnership with Children's National, George Washington University and Mahidol University in Bangkok, Thailand. She serves as the faculty mentor for residents interested in Global Health electives in Thailand. Dr. Good is an avid traveler, having been to over 75 countries. Her interests include Global health advocacy initiatives, relationship building, creating partnerships and educational initiatives.

**Marsha Griffin**

Marsha Griffin, MD, is Professor of Pediatrics and Director of the Division of Child and Family Health and the Community for Children program at the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley School of Medicine. Immigration and border militarization are two critical social determinants of health on the southern border. In response, Dr. Griffin has spent the last ten years writing and speaking both nationally and internationally about her concerns for the trauma inflicted on the children living along the border, as well as those children who are forced to pass through this region in search of safe-haven. She continues to help mobilize individuals and institutions to better serve the migrating poor.

In 2018, D. Griffin received the American Academy of Pediatrics’ highest award, the Clifford G. Grulee Award, for her advocacy for all children and for her outstanding service to the American Academy of Pediatrics. In 2015, she received the AAP Special Achievement Award for her work caring for the children and families crossing the Texas border. She is the Co-Chair of the AAP Special Interest Group on Immigrant Health and co-author of the AAP Policy Statement on the Detention of Immigrant Children. Prior to her medical education at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio (UTHSCSA) and pediatric residency training at Baylor/Texas Children’s Hospital and UTHSCSA, she produced documentary films for marginalized teens and developed housing services for street children, Somalian refugees, former addicts, alcoholics and the homeless in Minnesota.

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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. 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.

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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**Matt Laurens**  
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Matt Laurens, MD, MPH, is a specialist in pediatric infectious diseases with a significant amount of international experience. From 1992-1994, he served as a disease eradication specialist in Guinea Worm disease in the U.S. Peace Corps in Benin, West Africa. In 1994, he joined UNICEF in Benin to supervise a research project in diarrheal diseases in children under 5. He then returned to the U.S. where he earned his MPH degree in 1996 (The Johns Hopkins University). He completed his MD studies in 2001 (Mercer University), and is board-certified in Pediatrics (2004, Tulane University) and Pediatric Infectious diseases (2008, University of Maryland). He

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was a vaccinology fellow at the Center for Vaccine Development (University of Maryland) from 2006-2008, where he served as a co-investigator on two clinical trials of blood-stage malaria vaccines in Mali and a clinical trial of chloroquine combination therapy in Malawi. From 2008-2009, he was a Burroughs Wellcome / American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene Postdoctoral Fellow in Tropical Infectious Diseases. During this time, he also served as co-investigator in the first clinical trial to evaluate a whole organism, metabolically active malaria vaccine. In 2009, he joined the faculty at the Center for Vaccine Development (University of Maryland), recently incorporated into the University’s new Institute for Global Health, where he continues to work in domestic and international malaria clinical trials.

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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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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

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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. Tiffany Perkins is an attending in the Pediatric Hospitalist Division at Children’s National. Prior to becoming faculty at CNHS, she completed residency at Yale-New Haven Hospital. As a global health track participant, she was involved in refugee health care. While working with IRIS (Immigrant and Refugee Integration Services) and the refugee health clinic, she provided initial medical evaluations for newly immigrated pediatric patients largely from Iraq and Afghanistan. Additionally, she spent time in Rwanda working in a rural pediatric ward. Currently she splits time as a hospitalist on the Sheikh Zayed campus as well as our community hospital sites at Mary Washington and Stafford Hospitals.

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Nicole Salazar-Austin, MD is an Assistant Professor in Pediatric Infectious Diseases at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine. She graduated from Harvard Medical School and completed her residency in pediatrics in 2011 at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. She then spent two years working as a Global Health Corps pediatrician with the Baylor International Pediatric AIDS Initiative in eSwatini. She completed her infectious diseases fellowship at Johns Hopkins in 2015. Her research focuses on developing and evaluating health delivery models to improve the diagnosis of pediatric TB disease and improve uptake of TB preventive therapy.

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Dr. Meena Srivastava is a Medical Officer specializing in Pediatric HIV and PMTCT and has been with USAID since April 2014. She began as a Pediatric HIV Care and Treatment Advisor on the USAID/Mozambique team in Maputo and then transitioned to a role at headquarters in Washington, DC in April 2015. Previously, she worked in Lesotho for 4 years with the Baylor International Pediatric AIDS Initiative as a Pediatric HIV Clinical Advisor and then with the International Center for AIDS Care and Treatment Programs as a TB/HIV Clinical Advisor. Meena received her bachelors and medical degree from Ohio University, and completed her Masters of Public Health from Johns Hopkins. She completed her Pediatric Residency training at Fairfax Hospital for Children and is board-certified as a General Pediatrician. While her current role focuses on assisting countries to scale up HIV services for mothers and children, she has a keen interest in helping to integrate PMTCT and Pediatric HIV services within Key Population programs.

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Dr. Stacey Trzcinski is an attending in the Division of Hospitalist Medicine within the Children’s National Health System. Her global health career began in Cape Town, South Africa and Georgetown, Guyana while in medical school at the University of Pittsburgh. In residency at CNHS, she extended her learning by investigating the impact of telemedicine in Kerala, India. Every year since 2013, she travels to Port au Prince, Haiti to provide inpatient clinical care and medical education to Haitian pediatric residents. She has also continued her relationship with the Georgetown University Hospital in Guyana, where she participates in resident education and has been involved with Operation Smile. In August of 2019, she will complete her Masters in Public Health where she has focused on domestic and international disaster management and global health. Currently she is a global health mentor for CNHS residents and has a special interest in international and local global health resident education.

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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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