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Research Brief

September 25, 2024

Message from the Senior Associate Dean for Research

Dear Colleagues,

The GWSPH Faculty and Staff Assembly served as a reminder of the incredible support and dedication that has propelled GWSPH to achieve significant milestones. The work presented showed how our amazing faculty, staff, and students are actively shaping research and evidence for public health; and I was proud of our joint achievements. Our research system is thriving, with increased federal awards, higher expenditures, a focus on ethical work, and support for continuing education. We also strive to encourage diversity, collaboration, and excellence in public health research within and beyond our community.



GWSPH is dedicated to research and helps to provide an environment that encourages innovation and collaboration every day. As we look to the future, let's do so with enthusiasm and a shared vision - our community of brilliant minds, united in purpose, has the potential to make a profound impact.

Thank you for your participation and contributions,
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Faculty Highlight

Dr. Nino Paichadze

Associate Research Professor [Dr. Nino Paichadze](#) has returned from the [SAFETY 2024 conference](#) in India, which took place from September 2nd-4th, 2024. She spoke during a plenary session about the role of commercial determinants of health in violence and injury prevention. Dr. Paichadze, who is Associate Director of the Center on Commercial Determinants of Health, also served as a session chair and presented three abstracts at the conference.

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Announcements

Direct Charging Research Support on Grants

Need help managing the logistics of your awards? Did you know it's possible to justify research project support on sponsored awards?

If the tasks that research coordinators, assistants, or associates would be performing would not exist without the funded project, then all you need to start is a budget. Please **ask your Pod team member** for more information and guidance.

Four criteria need to be met to charge research support on sponsored grants.

1. Administrative or clerical services are integral to a project or activity;
2. Individuals involved can be specifically identified with the project or activity;
3. Such costs are explicitly included in the budget or have the prior written approval of the Federal awarding agency; and
4. The costs are not also recoverable as indirect costs (see [GW guidance](#))

The Fall 2024 GWSPH Research Innovation Awards: Call for Applications

The GW Milken Institute School of Public Health (GWSPH) Research Innovation Awards are designed to foster groundbreaking ideas and support promising research initiatives that have the potential to secure significant external grant funding. This prestigious program aims to encourage innovation, creativity, and bold thinking within the field of public health.

Faculty members who hold a primary appointment at GWSPH and are eligible to serve as Principal Investigators are invited to apply for this competitive award. Funding under this mechanism may be awarded for one or two years, with a **maximum of \$25,000 per year** (up to a total of \$50,000 for two-year projects).

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To learn more about the application process and submission requirements, please visit the [GWSPH Research Funding webpage](#) or contact the research team at GWSPHResearch@gwu.edu.

Due Date: October 11, 2024

[Read the full announcement](#)



Funding Opportunities

Fulbright-Fogarty Fellowships in Public Health

Applications are open to **advanced medical and PhD students** (or equivalent research doctoral degree program) interested in global health. Application deadline is **October 8th, 2024**.

[Learn More](#)

GW Technology Commercialization Office - Technology Maturation Award

These awards are designed to help promising but yet unlicensed technologies attract external partners. Proposals may only be submitted by GW faculty inventors with a GW-owned invention available for licensing. The proposal deadline is **October 10, 2024**.

[Learn More](#)

Susan G. Komen Foundation - ASPIRE Grant

This grant mechanism is intended to enhance the diversity of the breast cancer research workforce by providing established breast cancer scientists with supplemental funding to support research trainees from communities historically marginalized in research. Application deadline is **November 4th, 2024**.

[Learn More](#)

Office of the Vice Provost for Research - Intramural Funding Opportunities

[UFF \(FY26\) University Facilitating Fund](#) - \$5000-\$25,000, due **January 14, 2025**

[CDRF \(FY26\) Cross-Disciplinary Research Fund](#) - \$50,000, due **January 15, 2025**

[HFF \(FY26\) Humanities Facilitating Fund](#) - \$5000, due **January 16, 2025**

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Continuous Deadlines

Intramural

[Mentor Match Review Awards](#)

[Research Enhancement Awards](#)

[OVPR Limited Submissions and Intramural Funding Competitions](#)

Extramural

[Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs \(CDMRP\)](#)

[NIH Supplemental Opportunities](#)

For further details about funding, please visit the [GWSPH Research Funding Resource Center](#).



Lectures & Events

Monkeypox: A Global Health Emergency

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Monkeypox: A Global Health Emergency
BIG FORUM HYBRID MEETING
October 1, 2024 | 12:00-1:00 PM EST

Hybrid Meeting, In-Person Encouraged
Location: 6th Floor Conference Room, Milken Institute SPH
REGISTER HERE To Join or Scan The QR Code

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This webinar is co-sponsored by the following grants at GWSPH: US-Shell Research Effect Training Program (P32TW001801) & Interdisciplinary Global Capacity in Disease Control (U54CE00179102), both supported by the National Institutes of Health, USA.

Tuesday, October 1st | 12:00 - 1:00 pm

6th Floor Conference Room, GWSPH Building

This webinar is a Professional Enhancement activity. You will receive proof of attendance when you sign in.

This forum will provide an overview of the current monkeypox outbreak, the international

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clinician's perspective.

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Ethical Challenges in Public Health Practice

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WEBINAR SERIES: Ethics and Public Health
Ethical Challenges in Public Health Practice
October 16, 2024 | 12:00-1:00 PM EST

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This webinar is co-sponsored by the following grants at GWSPH: US-Med Research Ethics Training Program (R21TW016058) & Strengthening Ethical Capacity in D-R Congo (10TW01942), both supported by the National Institutes of Health, USA.

Wednesday, October 16th | 12:00 - 1:00 pm

This webinar is a Professional Enhancement activity. You will receive proof of attendance when you sign in.

Public health professionals encounter a wide array of ethical challenges that require careful navigation as they endeavor to promote and safeguard the health of entire communities. In order to uphold ethical standards, practitioners must consider fairness and justice in the distribution of health resources, maintain the confidentiality of sensitive health information, and assess potential harms and benefits with the utmost care.

[Register](#)

Cancer Survivorship Research to Inform Policy and Practice

October 10th | 12:00 - 1:00 pm

This webinar is a kick off to the GW Cancer Survivorship and Health Policy webinar series, featuring Dr. Robin Yabroff from the American Cancer Society.

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NCFDD: 14-Day Writing Challenge

October 7th - October 24th, 2024

This free 14-day challenge is an opportunity to experiment with daily writing, online community, and supportive accountability. **Registration closes on September 27th.**

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2024 Age-Friendly Ecosystem Summit

October 8th, 9th, 15th & 16th | Various Times

The George Washington University's Center for Aging, Health and Humanities is hosting the fourth annual **Age-Friendly Ecosystem Summit** virtually.

[Register](#)

Brain Research Retreat

Tuesday, October 15 | 12:00 - 5:30 pm

University Student Center, 3rd Floor, Continental Ballroom

The retreat brings together faculty, trainees and staff to highlight collaborative strengths and identify areas for growth in neuroscience. **Registration closes on October 1st.**

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Research Resources

GWSPH Bioethics Interest Group Resource Library

BIG now offers a comprehensive [collection of webinars and discussions](#) to enhance understanding and promote public health ethics. This [digital library](#) features leading experts engaging in profound, thoughtful discourse on the complex ethical considerations that arise in the field of public health.

Global Health Training Centre

The [Global Health Training Centre](#) is a free hub that includes a wealth of research training and professional development materials from across The Global Health Network, collaborating organizations, and institutions and networks.

Research for Equity and Justice

This [Topical Collection](#) aims to highlight novel ideas and research findings to inform programs, interventions, policies, clinical practice and curricular changes, and other means of ensuring that all individuals have an opportunity to reach their full health potential. They are currently open for submissions (**submission deadline: March 21, 2025**) that apply an equity and/or justice lens to leverage research to improve health across conditions, populations, life course stages, and social and structural health domains.

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