

Mandate for the Center for Global Health

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Governing structure:

The Board at The Faculty of Medicine defines the mandate for the Center for Global Health. The Centre for Global Health is a Faculty of Medicine wide centre, capitalizing on the existing academic excellence in research, education and service, harnessing synergy in our global health efforts.

An academically qualified Director with a record of accomplishment in global health research and relevant leadership background will lead the Centre, and report to the Director of the Sustainable Health Unit.

The Center will have one part time Deputy Director from each Institutes at Faculty of Medicine, initiating and running Centre for Global Health activities at their institute, mobilizing the staff of their institute in global health related activities within teaching, research and dissemination in line with the strategic plan, and report to the Centre for Global Health Director.

The current Centre for Global Health Board is invited to serve as a Resource committee for the Centre for Global Health during the restructuring.

Scope:

The Center for Global Health is based on a broad definition of global health as ‘an area for study, research, and practice that places a priority on improving health and achieving health equity for all people worldwide’.¹ In this broad sense, “global health” includes the study of major societal challenges such as global inequalities in healthcare resources, health impact of globalization and cultural mobility, as well as global implications of and solutions to local health problems (e.g. antibiotic treatment of infectious disease). The Center for Global Health will build competence and develop research projects in selected global health research areas. Another key function of Center for Global Health is to review and disseminate knowledge about global health at the University of Oslo, as well as to the national and international community of researchers, decision makers and the public.

The Centre for Global Health shall

- Develop and facilitate research projects in selected global health areas across units at UiO
- Advance capacity for research education in global health nationally and internationally
- Maintain a high profile when it comes to visibility of this academic area; arrange good meeting places advancing multidisciplinary and cross-disciplinary efforts in global health
- Keep abreast of emerging initiatives and policies in global health and serve as advisor to the Faculty of Medicine leadership
- Disseminate global health knowledge to students and faculty at the UiO, as well as to the wider community of researchers, decision makers and the general public
- Establish and consolidate formal cross-sectoral networks of researchers, policymakers and other stakeholders within selected areas at UiO, in Norway and globally

¹ Koplan et al. Towards a common definition of global health. The Lancet 2009 [https://doi.org/10.1016/S0140-6736\(09\)60332-9](https://doi.org/10.1016/S0140-6736(09)60332-9)