

POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITY IN MENTAL HEALTH RESEARCH IN MALAWI

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Program Description:

The Malawian Program for Mental Health Research Training (WARMHEART) is accepting applications for postdoctoral fellowship positions. The fellowship is administered by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (UNC-CH) and is funded by the U.S. National Institutes of Health Fogarty International Center.

WARMHEART aims to build mental health research capacity in Malawi. The program will create an expert pool of mental health researchers to address the role of psychiatric illness across the lifespan. Fellows will engage in mentored research training and a myriad of didactic sessions including manuscript writing and leadership training, and they will have the opportunity to present work at an annual Mental Health Conference.

This year, WARMHEART is able to provide support for two Malawian postdoctoral fellows. Appointment to the program lasts two years. Funding provided includes stipend, research-related costs, and conference travel expenses.

Information Session:

If you are interested in applying for the fellowship, we encourage you to attend the WARMHEART information session on **April 7th, 3:00-4:00PM CAT**. The program directors will describe WARMHEART and answer questions. To register for the session please send an email indicating your interest to Kristin Reed (knreed@live.unc.edu). This session will be held via Zoom.

Requirements for Postdoctoral Fellowship:

1. Citizen of Malawi or other sub-Saharan African country;
2. Plan or commitment to reside in Malawi during 2-year fellowship (WARMHEART does not provide relocation or travel costs outside of program-related conferences);
3. PhD degree in a relevant subject from any recognized university; and
4. Commitment to a career in mental health research.

The deadline for receiving applications is **April 23rd** for 2021 program appointment. Candidates may be asked to complete an interview with the program leadership.

Application details:

1. Complete the WARMHEART Postdoctoral Fellowship application at <https://global.redcap.unc.edu/surveys/?s=P8MTRTHKP8>
 - a. Personal statement (maximum 2 pages, upload into online application)
 - b. NIH Biosketch or CV (upload into online application)
2. Obtain Letters of Recommendation. Letters should be addressed to the program directors Dr. Bradley Gaynes and Dr. Kazione Kulisewa, and sent directly to knreed@live.unc.edu.
 - a. Academic reference letter
 - b. Professional reference letter
 - c. Letter of support from employers (if employed)

Applications that do not meet the requirements stated above will not be reviewed.