



World Health  
Organization



**Alliance**  
for Health Policy  
and Systems Research

# Call for expression of interest

## Alliance for HPSR Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee (STAC) Member

Published: 31 March 2020

Deadline: 30 April 2020

### Background

The Alliance for Health Policy and Systems Research was established in 1999 and is hosted as an international partnership within the Science Division of the World Health Organization (WHO).

The Alliance's mission is to promote the generation and use of health policy and systems research as a means to strengthen the health systems in low- and middle-income countries.

The strategic objectives are to:

1. Provide a unique forum for the health policy and systems research community;
2. Support institutional capacity for the conduct and uptake of health policy and systems research;
3. Stimulate the generation of knowledge and innovations to nurture learning and resilience in health systems; and
4. Increase the demand for and use of knowledge for strengthening health systems.

### Governance of the Alliance

The Alliance HPSR is governed by its Board. The Alliance Board has established a Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee (STAC) to ensure the quality and excellence of the work undertaken by the Alliance Secretariat.

Members are selected for a three-year term, renewable only once. The STAC normally meets face-to-face twice a year and will confer via video/audio conference call as and when needed. The working language of the meeting and documentation is English. No remuneration is paid to STAC members. However, full travel costs are covered and a *per diem* is provided whenever they participate in Alliance related activity.

The functions of the STAC members are to:

- a) provide scientific and technical advice to the Secretariat and the Board;
- b) provide technical input to the process of developing the work plan and its implementation;
- c) participate in the evaluation and adjudication of competitive calls of proposals;
- d) help identify potential collaborators for the Alliance and act as ambassador for the Alliance.

## Position

The Alliance is seeking nominations for STAC members who can offer skills, knowledge and experience in the field of Health Policy and Systems Research. Interested candidates should:

- be individual researchers with relevant experience, qualifications and expertise in generation and use of evidence for improved policy and management decisions;
- identify priorities within the HPSR field and be able to suggest ways to advocate the work of the Alliance HPSR;
- have the time, energy, interest, and willingness to support the Alliance Secretariat for given role and responsibilities;
- be well regarded within the global HPSR community, and able to provide candid and constructive advice to the Secretariat and the Board on scientific matters.

The Alliance STAC is comprised of up to nine members. Members of the Alliance STAC are selected in an individual capacity and not as representatives of their institution or country.

## Selection criteria

STAC members will be selected based on their expertise, experience, and knowledge in the field of health policy and systems research and health systems.

## Applications

Interested candidates should send an email to [alliancehpsr@who.int](mailto:alliancehpsr@who.int). The subject line should read "**Application to serve on the Alliance STAC.**" The email should include a motivation letter stating why s/he wants to serve on the STAC, noting particular skills, knowledge and experience in the field of HPSR and her/his demonstrated leadership in advocating the use of evidence for improved performance of health systems. A short bio and/or Curriculum Vitae (not more than five pages) should accompany the email.

**Deadline for applications is 30 April 2020.**

We are encouraging applications from South America and Africa, especially from women.

**Note: Current Alliance HPSR grantees are not eligible for STAC membership.**