

# Call for expression of interest

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

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### 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:

**Objective 1:** Stimulate the generation and synthesis of policy-relevant health systems knowledge, encompassing evidence, tools and methods;

**Objective 2:** Promote the dissemination and use of health policy and systems knowledge to improve the performance of health systems; and

**Objective 3:** Facilitate the development of capacity for the generation, dissemination and use of HPSR knowledge among researchers, policy-makers and other stakeholders

### Governance of the Alliance

The Alliance HPSR is managed by the Alliance Board. The Alliance Board sets up a Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee (STAC), selected by virtue of their technical and scientific expertise.

Individual Members are selected for a three-year term that is renewable only once. The STAC normally meets face-to-face twice a year in Geneva and will confer via video/audio conference call as needed. The working language of the meeting and documentation is

English. No stipend is paid to STAC members, however, full travel costs are covered and a *per diem* is provided.

The functions of the STAC members are to:

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

The Alliance is seeking expressions of interest for STAC members who can offer skills, knowledge and experience in the field of health policy and systems research. Interested candidates should:

- be 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 the given role and responsibilities;
- be well regarded within the global HPSR community, with the ability to provide candid and constructive feedback.

## 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 brief explanation on why s/he wants to serve on the STAC, noting particular skills, knowledge and experience in the field of HPSR and their demonstrated leadership in advocating the use of evidence for improved performance of health systems. A short bio and/or Curriculum Vitae (CV) should accompany the email.

**Deadline for applications is 30 April 2022 by 23:59 CEST (Geneva time).**

We are encouraging applications from low- and middle-income countries, especially from women.

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