

# Global Health Delivery Project

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## **GHDonline-PATH TB Research Assistant**

The Division of Global Health Equity (DGHE) at Brigham & Women's Hospital fosters the support and coordination of training, research, and service to reduce disparities in disease burden and to improve treatment outcomes both at home and abroad. The Division focuses on infectious diseases (e.g., HIV and tuberculosis) as well as non-infectious diseases (e.g., coronary artery disease, diabetes, addiction) and other health problems (that disproportionately affect populations in the developing world) of major importance to society.

The DGHE is a founding partner of the [Global Health Delivery Project](#) (GHD). [GHDonline](#), the “communities of practice” website of GHD, is where health care implementers share proven practices, connect with colleagues, and find resources they need to improve health outcomes in resource-limited settings. Launched in July 2008, GHDonline consists of five public communities (Adherence & Retention, Global Health Nursing and Midwifery, TB Infection Control, Drug Resistant TB, and Health IT) that global health professionals can join to participate in discussions, post resources, and search for practical information to help them design, implement and improve health care programs and services. GHDonline also hosts several private communities designed and maintained for specific organizations and collaborative initiatives.

The GHDonline Tuberculosis Research Assistant works alongside the GHDonline community moderators and team to promote activity, manage outreach, and develop content in the tuberculosis communities on GHDonline.

### *Responsibilities*

- Dissemination of the most up-to-date international policies (e.g., the new WHO TB infection control (IC) policy), and facilitation of their discussion among community members
- Starting new discussions by posting questions or resources focusing on new methods, programs, etc. that are not yet covered in the communities
- Identification of important studies and reports that are closed-access, for which summaries could be drafted and posted in the communities
- Communicate regularly with GHDonline moderators and team about the direction of the community, strategies for outreach, and content leads and priorities
- Outreach to TB infection control implementers and organizations to collect and document best practices from the field; consolidation of these success stories into composite resource documents for posting in the community
- Recruiting new members from high-burden countries by assisting with the development and dissemination of communications materials at conferences, meetings, forums, trainings, etc.
- Collect qualitative data for posting in the communities as executive summaries and mini-cases

- Research on questions, policies, tools, etc. that are critical to organizations doing work in TB IC
- Coordinate training sessions and demonstrations for new members as needed
- Assist with preparation of reports to donors, tracking progress, maintaining statistics, and documenting activities

### *Qualifications*

- Bachelor's Degree and 2 years work experience required, Master's Degree a plus
- Fluency in English and at least one other language
- Strong computer skills and basic knowledge of internet technologies
- Familiarity with data management and web-based social networking
- Strong writing and communications skills (writing sample required)
- Public/global health experience
- Demonstrated ability to interact professionally and with sensitivity amongst culturally and vocationally diverse staff, partners, and clients (GHDonline members, moderators, and visitors)

### *Additional Skills and Competencies*

- Experience with TB infection control research and/or program management
- Attention to detail
- Action orientation and inquisitiveness
- Ability to work both independently and collaboratively as a member of a small team
- International experience a plus
- Basic knowledge of internet technologies and social web (web 2.0) a plus

To apply, please submit your CV, a cover letter, a 3-5 page writing sample, and contact information for three references to Amy House at [ahouse@partners.org](mailto:ahouse@partners.org) **no later than Monday, November 2, 2009.**