



GLOBAL PERM NW

Partnering to build healthcare capacity worldwide

Individual Action Award 2021 Application Information

Introduction

Global Perm NW (GPNW) provides support for Kaiser Permanente Northwest professionals and their professional collaborating partners to teach, train, and provide health-supporting activities in underserved communities in domestic and international locations. Global Perm NW provides financial support for education, training, direct medical care, research, and community outreach with priority given to efforts which demonstrate effectiveness, capacity-building, sustainability, and which address the priorities of the community.

Individual Action Awards:

Global Perm NW provides competitive grants of up to \$3000 to support global health work by individuals.

Eligibility

Awardees should be affiliated with Northwest Permanente, Permanente Dental Associates, or Kaiser Permanente Northwest, or be a professional collaborating partner of an individual affiliated with one of these organizations.

Application Deadlines

Applications are currently being accepted on a rolling basis.

Expenses eligible for support

Reimbursable expenses include transportation expenses (coach class), emergency

medical and evacuation insurance, professional liability insurance if you will be practicing medicine, visa fees, international professional license fees, translator fees, data collection and analysis expenses, travel housing, and the cost of materials needed for training, teaching, research, and capacity-building. Please refer to our website for our recommended emergency medical care/evacuation and liability insurance provider. Expenses are only eligible for reimbursement after the relevant work has been done. An expense report form will be provided to awardees. Receipts are required.

Application Submission

Applicants should submit a completed Individual Action Award application form. The form includes a request for the following information:

1. A descriptive title of the project
2. A concise one paragraph abstract summarizing the project
3. A narrative description, including:
 - a. Background information
 - b. Planned activities
 - c. How the health needs that your project addresses were identified
 - d. The nature of your relationship with partners in the location where this project will take place, and their participation in the identification and prioritization of health needs
 - e. Expected benefit to the health care system, community, or population being served
 - f. Ways in which your contribution could lead to a lasting impact on improving health for an underserved community after your participation ends
 - g. Any plans for ongoing and sustained collaboration in the future
4. Anticipated dates and duration of the project
5. Your skills, background, or other qualifications that will help you succeed
6. A budget with itemized estimated expenses. See the above list of expenses which may be eligible for reimbursement. Provide a rationale for any supplies included in the budget.

Additional Documents to Submit as Part of Application

1. Your curriculum vitae or resume.
2. Letter of invitation or copies of relevant communication with your hosts, partners or placement organization.
3. If you are a Northwest Permanente physician and require sabbatical leave to

carry out this work, please include a copy of correspondence indicating approval or provisional approval of the sabbatical.

4. Optional: letter(s) of recommendation

Submit completed application form and other documents to info@globalnw.org

Award Decisions

A committee will review all applications, and make award decisions based on merit and availability of funds. Criteria will include:

Expected effectiveness and impact of the work relative to its cost

Capacity-building potential

Sustainability of the impact of the project beyond the funding period

The potential for an ongoing relationship with partners

Applicant's ability to represent the values of Global Perm NW, demonstrate humility, compassion, sensitivity, and build positive relationships.

Potential to introduce educational and service opportunities for others at home (ability to engage others).

Changes in Plans.

Please contact GPNW at your earliest convenience if your plans change either during the award submission process or after the award has been granted.

Expiration of Awards

The project should be undertaken and reimbursement requests submitted within 12 months of award notification.

Obligations If You Accept Funding from GPNW

1. Verify professional liability insurance coverage if you will be providing direct care to patients in the US.
2. If the project includes international travel,
 - a. Refer to our international travel check list on our website for help with planning.
 - b. Review U.S. State Department and CDC recommendations for security and health abroad, including recommendations specific to the community where you will be serving.
 - c. Make an appointment with a travel clinic well in advance of your trip

- d. Obtain and provide evidence to GPNW of emergency medical and evacuation insurance if there is international travel. See GPNW's recommended insurance broker.
 - e. If work includes direct patient care, obtain and provide evidence to GPNW of international professional liability coverage. See GPNW's recommended insurance broker.
3. Submit the signed release of liability form to GPNW. The form must be submitted at least two weeks before travel or practice by the participant.
4. Provide a written report to GPNW within 8 weeks after completion of the project. Include in your report:
 - a. Activities, and how these may have deviated from original plans
 - b. Problems and challenges encountered
 - c. What you think was accomplished
 - d. Things you learned
 - e. Any long-term plans with the project
5. Send a summary of your work to your project partners or hosts and copy Global Perm NW
6. Offer to make a presentation to your department or be available for presentation/discussion in other settings.
7. Consider supporting the educational and fundraising efforts of Global Perm NW efforts including being available to share your story and images with funding communities.

For more information, contact

info@globalnw.org