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The Sentinel resumes publication with this edition of 5 January 2019 after an end-of-year break.

:: Week in Review

A highly selective capture of strategic developments, research, commentary, analysis and announcements spanning Human Rights Action, Humanitarian Response, Health, Education, Holistic Development, Heritage Stewardship, Sustainable Resilience. Achieving a balance across these broad themes is a challenge and we appreciate your observations and ideas in this regard. This is not intended to be a "news and events" digest.

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Protection – Children in Conflict Zones

[World has failed to protect children in conflict in 2018: UNICEF](#)

Widespread violations against children in conflict continue in shocking year-on-year trend
NEW YORK, 28 December 2018 – The futures of millions of children living in countries affected by armed conflict are at risk, as warring parties continue to commit grave violations against children, and world leaders fail to hold perpetrators accountable – UNICEF said today.

“Children living in conflict zones around the world have continued to suffer through extreme levels of violence over the past 12 months, and the world has continued to fail them,” said Manuel Fontaine, UNICEF Director of Emergency Programmes. “For too long, parties to conflict have been committing atrocities with near-total impunity, and it is only getting worse. Much more can and must be done to protect and assist children.”

Children living in countries at war have come under direct attack, have been used as human shields, killed, maimed or recruited to fight. Rape, forced marriage and abduction have become standard tactics in conflicts from Syria to Yemen, and from the Democratic Republic of the Congo to Nigeria, South Sudan and Myanmar.

Over the course of 2018:

:: In **Afghanistan**, violence and bloodshed remain a daily occurrence, with some 5,000 children killed or maimed within the first three quarters of 2018, equal to all of 2017, and children making up 89 per cent of civilian casualties from explosive remnants of war.

:: **Cameroon** has seen an escalation of the conflict in the North-West and South-West regions of the country, with schools, students and teachers often coming under attack. In November, more than 80 people, including many children, were abducted from a school in Nkwen, in the north-west of the country and released a few days later. To date, 93 villages have allegedly been partially or totally burned due to conflict in the areas, with many children experiencing extreme levels of violence.

:: In the **Central African Republic**, a dramatic resurgence in fighting has enveloped much of the country, with two out of three children in need of humanitarian assistance.

:: In the **Democratic Republic of the Congo**, inter-ethnic violence and clashes between security forces and armed groups/militia in the Great Kasai-region and in the eastern provinces of Tanganyika, South Kivu, Nord Kivu and Ituri have had a devastating impact on children. The response to the ongoing Ebola outbreak has been seriously hindered by violence and instability in eastern DRC. In addition, an estimated 4.2 million children are at risk of severe acute malnutrition (SAM). The situation is compounded by violations of children's rights, including forced recruitment by armed groups and sexual abuse.

:: In **Iraq**, even as fighting has largely subsided, four children were killed in November in the north of the country when the truck they were travelling to school in came under attack. Children and families returning to their homes in areas previously impacted by heavy violence continue to be exposed to the danger of unexploded ordnance. Thousands of families remain displaced and now face the additional threats of freezing winter temperatures and flash floods.

:: In the **Lake Chad basin**, ongoing conflict, displacement and attacks on schools, teachers and other education facilities have put the education of 3.5 million children at risk. Today in northeast Nigeria, the Lake region of Chad, extreme north of Cameroon and Diffa region of Niger, at least 1,041 schools are closed or non-functional due to violence, fear of attacks, or unrest, affecting nearly 445,000 children.

:: A recent surge in violence in the border region between **Mali, Burkina Faso** and **Niger** has left 1,478 schools closed.

:: In **Myanmar**, the UN continues to receive reports of ongoing violations of the rights of Rohingya remaining in northern Rakhine State, which include allegations of killings, disappearances and arbitrary arrests. There are also widespread restrictions on the rights to freedom of movement and barriers to access health and education including in central Rakhine State. Ensuring children have access to quality education and other essential services will avert a 'lost generation' of Rohingya children; otherwise, they will lack the skills they need to contribute to society.

:: In northeast **Nigeria**, armed groups, including Boko Haram factions, continue to target girls, who are raped, forced to become wives of fighters or used as 'human bombs'. In February, the group abducted 110 girls and one boy from a technical college in Dapchi, Yobe State. While most of the children have since been released, five girls died and one is still being held captive as a slave. In Palestine, over 50 children were killed and hundreds more injured this year, many whilst demonstrating against deteriorating living conditions in Gaza. Children in Palestine and Israel have been exposed to fear, trauma and injuries.

:: In **South Sudan**, relentless conflict and insecurity throughout the annual lean season pushed 6.1 million people into extreme hunger. Even with the advent of the rainy season, more than 43 per cent of the population remain food insecure. While the promise of a revitalized peace-agreement offers a glimmer of hope for children, reports of extreme violence against women and children continue, most recently in Bentiu, where more than 150 women and girls reported suffering horrific sexual assault.

:: In **Somalia**, more than 1,800 children were recruited by parties to the conflict in the first nine months of the year, with 1,278 children abducted.

:: In **Syria**, between January and September, the UN verified the killing of 870 children – the highest number ever in the first nine months of any year since the start of the conflict in 2011. Attacks continued throughout the year, including the killing of 30 children in the eastern village of Al Shafa in November.

:: In eastern **Ukraine**, more than four years of conflict have taken a devastating toll on the education system, destroying and damaging hundreds of schools and forcing 700,000 children to learn in fragile environments, amidst volatile fighting and the dangers posed by unexploded weapons of war. The situation is particularly severe for 400,000 children who live within 20km of the “contact line”, which divides the government and non-government-controlled areas and where shelling and extreme levels of mine-contamination pose a lethal threat.

:: and in **Yemen**, the UN has verified 1,427 children killed or maimed in attacks, including an ‘unconscionable’ attack on a school bus in Sa’ada. Schools and hospitals have come under frequent attack or been used for military purposes, denying children access to their right to education and health care. This is further fueling a crisis in a country where every 10 minutes, a child dies due to preventable diseases, and 400,000 children suffer from severe acute malnutrition.

“2019 marks the 30th anniversary of the landmark Convention on the Rights of the Child and the 70th anniversary of the Geneva Conventions, yet today, more countries are embroiled in internal or international conflict than at any other time in the past three decades. Children living through conflict are among the least likely to be guaranteed their rights. Attacks on children must end,” Fontaine said. UNICEF calls on all warring parties to abide by their obligations under international law to immediately end violations against children and the targeting of civilian infrastructure, including schools, hospitals and water infrastructure. UNICEF also calls on states with influence over parties to conflict to use that influence to protect children.

“Much more needs to be done to prevent wars, and to end the many disastrous armed conflicts devastating children’s lives. Yet even as wars continue, we must never accept attacks against children. We must hold warring parties to their obligation to protect children. Otherwise, it is children, their families and their communities who will continue to suffer the devastating consequences, for now, and for years to come,” Fontaine said.

Across all these countries, UNICEF works with partners to provide the most vulnerable children with health, nutrition, education and child protection services. For example, in October, UNICEF helped to secure the release of 833 children recruited into armed forces in northeast Nigeria, and are working these children to reintegrate them into their communities. Since conflict broke out in South Sudan five years ago, UNICEF has reunited almost 6,000 unaccompanied and separated children with their families. In Bangladesh, in 2018, UNICEF reached thousands of Rohingya refugee children with mental health and psychosocial support. In Iraq, UNICEF is working with partners to provide specialized services to women and children affected by gender-based violence.

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Featured Journal Content

Lancet Global Health

Jan 2019 Volume 7 Number 1e1-e159

<http://www.thelancet.com/journals/langlo/issue/current>

Editorial

Yemen needs a concrete plan—now

The Lancet Global Health

More than 3 years into the current conflict, the situation in Yemen has reached catastrophic proportions. These have been exacerbated by the collapse of the national economy and by intense fighting around Hodeidah, the country's principal port on the Red Sea where most commodities, including food and medicines, enter the largely import-based Yemeni market. The planned peace negotiations are dependent on the goodwill of two warring parties whose disregard for international law has already led to large civilian casualties and the destruction of essential infrastructure such as health facilities, water systems, roads, and markets. As the world barely watches, at the convergence of all these events, an estimated 14 million Yemeni people—half of the country's population—have now been brought to pre-famine conditions.

The global apathy in the face of Yemen's continuing struggle has been disrupted in recent weeks. Increased media attention to the plight of hundreds of thousands of severely malnourished children has led to renewed concerns about the fate of the Yemeni people. On Nov 26, the CEOs of five international non-governmental organisations openly called out the role of US geopolitics and trade in the killing of innocent civilians, spurring discussions on the global responsibility for the war. And probably because one number sometimes speaks louder than words, earlier on Nov 21, Save The Children presented in a press release their straightforward estimation for the number of deaths due to untreated severe acute malnutrition between April 2015 and October 2018: close to 85 000 children under 5 may have died a preventable death in that period.

In truth, most health-related numbers coming from Yemen cannot be more than estimations—how could a collapsed health system generate robust data? But we know that the Yemeni people are suffering. Of all the scourges affecting Yemen, the prospect of a famine seems to have taken centre-stage in the media again, but there are many other enduring ones. We know that civilians are dying in the conflict, though unofficial data are vague and largely underestimated. We know there are outbreaks of diphtheria, measles, and probably other vaccine-preventable diseases. We also know that the cholera epidemic that started in April 2016 is still going on: the latest report available from the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Regional Office indicates that there were over 240 000 cases in the first 42 weeks of 2018. This cholera epidemic, the largest documented in history, illustrates how a weakened population, and a crippled health system, can be swiftly and durably overpowered in the midst of conflict. However, it is also an opportunity to learn, in the hope that this situation can be reversed in Yemen, and prevented elsewhere.

Thankfully, such learnings are happening. In May 2018, *The Lancet Global Health* published a modelling study by Anton Camacho and colleagues in which surveillance data were used to identify the drivers of the cholera epidemic, linking rainfall to the second wave of the epidemic, generating potentially important information for timing and enhancing control efforts. In a subsequent exchange of letters with Fekri Dureab and colleagues, the authors evoke the difficulties in identifying the mechanisms of transmission, in spite of robust modelling, in part because the war's disruption of water and sewerage systems confounds the analysis.

Also importantly, in a report released on December 4, the Johns Hopkins Center for Humanitarian Health presents a detailed evaluation, based on an in-depth review and data gathered through 71 key

informants, of the epidemic preparedness and response up until the second wave in July 2018. It brings forth unsurprising but sobering facts, among them the likely association between the conflict and increased cholera transmission; the lack of preparedness in terms of surveillance and response capacity; or coordination issues between international and national actors of the response. The 20 global and Yemen-specific recommendations cover the fundamental need of addressing insecurity, of urgently clarifying and harmonising coordination and preparedness, and of making the response more agile by improving surveillance. They include specifics of a targeted WASH and vaccination response and rely on strong integration of planning across sectors, all sensible responses to the issues identified in the analysis.

These concrete, action-related reports should be precious input in tackling this and future outbreaks, particularly in war-torn areas. But Yemen needs even more—and the time is now.

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Ebola - Democratic Republic of the Congo

21: Situation report on the Ebola outbreak in North Kivu

27 December 2018 [*Excerpts*]

Situation Update

...As of 25 December 2018, a total of 585 EVD cases, including 537 confirmed and 48 probable cases (Table 1), were reported from 16 health zones in the two neighbouring provinces of North Kivu and Ituri (Figure 1), of which 13 reported at least one confirmed case in the last 21 days (5-25 December 2018). Over this period, 117 confirmed cases were reported from 13 health zones, the majority of which were concentrated in major urban centres and towns in Katwa (30), Komanda (20), Beni (15), Butembo (15), and Mabalako (15), which remain the main hotspots of this outbreak.

Trends in case incidence reflect the continuation of the outbreak across these geographically dispersed areas. The general decrease in the weekly incidence observed in Beni since late October is continuing; however, the outbreak is intensifying in Butembo and Katwa, and new clusters have emerged in other health zones.

Forty-one additional deaths among confirmed and probable cases occurred since our last report on 18 December 2018. Overall, 356 cases have died (case fatality 61%), including 308 among confirmed cases. As of 25 December 2018, 201 patients have recovered and been discharged from ETCs.

A healthcare worker from Mabalako has been reported among the new cases, bringing the number of healthcare workers affected to 54, with 18 deaths...

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DONs Ebola virus disease – Democratic Republic of the Congo

28 December 2018

[*Excerpt*]

...WHO risk assessment

This outbreak of EVD is affecting north-eastern provinces of the country bordering Uganda, Rwanda and South Sudan. Potential risk factors for transmission of EVD at the national and regional levels

include: travel between the affected areas, the rest of the country, and neighbouring countries; the internal displacement of populations. The country is concurrently experiencing other epidemics (e.g. cholera, vaccine-derived poliomyelitis, malaria), and a long-term humanitarian crisis. Additionally, the security situation in North Kivu and Ituri at times limits the implementation of response activities. WHO's risk assessment for the outbreak is currently very high at the national and regional levels; the global risk level remains low. WHO continues to advise against any restriction of travel to, and trade with, the Democratic Republic of the Congo based on currently available information.

As the risk of national and regional spread is very high, it is important for neighbouring provinces and countries to enhance surveillance and preparedness activities. The International Health Regulations (IHR 2005) Emergency Committee has advised that failing to intensify these preparedness and surveillance activities would lead to worsening conditions and further spread. WHO will continue to work with neighbouring countries and partners to ensure that health authorities are alerted and are operationally prepared to respond.

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Emergencies

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*Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)
- No new announcements identified*

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Editor's Note:

WHO has posted a [refreshed emergencies page](#) which presents an updated listing of Grade 3,2,1 emergencies as below.

WHO Grade 3 Emergencies [to 5 Jan 2019]

Democratic Republic of the Congo

:: 21: Situation report on the Ebola outbreak in North Kivu 27 December 2018

:: DONs Ebola virus disease – Democratic Republic of the Congo 28 December 2018

[See Milestones above for more detail]

Bangladesh - Rohingya crisis

:: Weekly Situation Report 57 - 27 December 2018

[Excerpt]

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

:: About 30 health facilities have received exemption from restricted movement during the election period and will remain open to provide essential health services.

:: About 363 411 people (110.6%) benefited from the OCV campaign including 264,280 people (117.5%) from Rohingya population.

:: Since February 2018 to date, a total of 35,148 BCG doses have been given children and 19 906 Td doses to pregnant women.

SITUATION OVERVIEW

:: There are an estimated 908,000 Rohingya refugees (215,796 families) in Cox's Bazar, according to the latest Needs and Population Monitoring (NPM) round 12 exercise. The Rohingya refugees continue to arrive in Bangladesh, though the overall influx has slowed since the onset of the crisis in late August 2017. Rohingya refugees have continued to arrive in Bangladesh, though in much fewer numbers than the initial influx in late 2017. More than 15,247 new arrivals were reported from 1 January to 30 November 2018 (source: UNHCR). The refugees continue to face compounding vulnerabilities including health.

:: Over the past one year, WHO and the health sector partners responded to the health needs of the affected populations by supporting government health facilities with human resources, renovations and medical supplies; ensuring availability of essential medicines and other supplies through logistics support; maintaining a strong disease surveillance system; delivering vaccination campaigns and strengthening

Syrian Arab Republic

:: SIDA donation helps WHO support health care services in southern Syria [Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency] 27 December 2018

Yemen

:: Cholera and malnutrition in Yemen threatens millions
27 December 2018

...WHO works closely with the Ministry of Health and WASH cluster partners to contain cholera outbreaks, offering technical and logistical support to strengthen disease surveillance, assist diarrhoeal treatment and oral rehydration centres, train health workers on case management, deploy rapid response teams and improve sanitation and access to safe water.

There have been 280,198 suspected cases of cholera since the beginning of 2018, and 372 associated deaths. Children under 5 account for 32% of the total suspected cases. Cholera has been reported in 22 out of Yemen's 23 governorates, and 306 out of the country's 333 districts.

Myanmar - *No new announcements identified*

Nigeria - *No new announcements identified*

Somalia - *No new announcements identified*

South Sudan - *No new announcements identified*

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WHO Grade 2 Emergencies [to 5 Jan 2019]

occupied Palestinian territory

:: 1.2 million people in the occupied Palestinian territory are in need of humanitarian health assistance
– December 2018

Libya

:: WHO condemns attack on Al Jala Hospital in Benghazi

27 December 2018 – The World Health Organization (WHO) strongly condemns the armed attack on Al Jala Hospital in Benghazi, Libya, on 25 December. The attack resulted in damage to the hospital infrastructure.

Brazil (in Portuguese) - *No new announcements identified*

Cameroon - *No new announcements identified*
Central African Republic - *No new announcements identified*
Ethiopia - *No new announcements identified*
Hurricane Irma and Maria in the Caribbean - *No new announcements identified*
- No new announcements identified
Iraq - *No new announcements identified*
MERS-CoV - *No new announcements identified*
Niger - *No new announcements identified*
Sao Tome and Principe Necrotizing Cellulitis (2017) - *No new announcements identified*
Sudan - *No new announcements identified*
Ukraine - *No new announcements identified*
Zimbabwe - *No new announcements identified*

WHO-AFRO: [Outbreaks and Emergencies Bulletin, Week 52: 22 - 28 December 2018](#)

The WHO Health Emergencies Programme is currently monitoring 59 events in the region. This week's edition covers key ongoing events, including:

- :: Ebola virus disease outbreak in the Democratic Republic of the Congo
- :: Measles in Madagascar
- :: Humanitarian crisis in Nigeria.

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[WHO Grade 1 Emergencies](#) [to 5 Jan 2019]

Afghanistan
Chad
Indonesia - Sulawesi earthquake 2018
Kenya
Lao People's Democratic Republic
Mali
Namibia - viral hepatitis
Peru
Philippines - Typhoon Mangkhut
Tanzania

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[UN OCHA – L3 Emergencies](#)

The UN and its humanitarian partners are currently responding to three 'L3' emergencies. This is the global humanitarian system's classification for the response to the most severe, large-scale humanitarian crises.

Syrian Arab Republic - *No new announcements identified*
Yemen - *No new announcements identified*

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[UN OCHA – Corporate Emergencies](#)

When the USG/ERC declares a Corporate Emergency Response, all OCHA offices, branches and sections provide their full support to response activities both at HQ and in the field.

Ethiopia

:: Operational Plan for Rapid Response: Internal Displacement around Kamashi and Assosa (Benishangul Gumuz) and East and West Wollega (Oromia), 26 December 2018

Somalia

:: Humanitarian Bulletin Somalia, 1 - 31 December 2018

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“Other Emergencies”

Indonesia: Central Sulawesi Earthquake

:: 24 December 2018 - Central Sulawesi Earthquake & Tsunami - Humanitarian Country Team Situation Report #10 (as of 10 December 2018)

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Agency/Government/IGO Watch

We will monitor a growing number of relevant agency, government and IGO organizations for key media releases, announcements, research, and initiatives. Generally, we will focus on regional or global level content recognizing limitation of space, meaning country-specific coverage is limited. Please suggest additional organizations to monitor.

United Nations – Secretary General, Security Council, General Assembly

[to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.un.org/press/en>

No new digest content identified.

UN OHCHR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/media.aspx?IsMediaPage=true>

Top News

[Press briefing on Bangladesh](#)

[Press briefing note on Bahrain](#)

[Press briefing note on United Arab Emirates](#)

[Comment by UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Michelle Bachelet on expulsion of international human rights organizations in Nicaragua](#)

[Sudan: UN experts urge halt to excessive use of force against peaceful protesters](#)

United Nations Human Rights Council [to 5 Jan 2019]

https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/HRC/Pages/NewsSearch.aspx?NTID=PRS&MID=HR_COUNCIL

No new digest content identified.

Committee on the Rights of the Child [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CRC/Pages/CRCIndex.aspx>

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on the sale and sexual exploitation of children [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Children/Pages/ChildrenIndex.aspx>

No new digest content identified.

SRSR/CAAC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://childrenandarmedconflict.un.org/virtual-library/press-release-archive/>

No new digest content identified.

SRSR/SVC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.un.org/sexualviolenceinconflict/media/press-releases/>

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/poverty/pages/srextremepovertyindex.aspx>

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Health/Pages/SRRightHealthIndex.aspx>

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/culturalrights/pages/srculturalrightsindex.aspx>

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/ipeoples/srindigenouspeoples/pages/sripeoplesindex.aspx>

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/migration/srmigrants/pages/srmigrantsindex.aspx>

No new digest content identified.

UN OCHA [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.unocha.org/media-centre/press-releases>

Selected Press Releases

04 January 2019

[Aid agencies estimate that 4.2 million people in Somalia will need humanitarian assistance and protection in 2019](#)

Centre for Humanitarian Data/HDX [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://centre.humdata.org/>

No new digest content identified.

UNICEF [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.unicef.org/media/press-releases>

Selected Press Releases/Reports/Statements

Press release

[Lives of children at risk amid heavy fighting and floods in north-west Syria](#)

Nearly 10,000 children fleeing floods in the area

03/01/2019

Press release

[New Year's Babies: Over 395,000 children will be born worldwide on New Year's Day - UNICEF](#)

As the calendar turns to 2019, UNICEF calls on nations to meet every newborn's right to health and survival

31/12/2018

Press release

[World has failed to protect children in conflict in 2018: UNICEF](#)

Widespread violations against children in conflict continue in shocking year-on-year trend

[See Milestones above for detail]

UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.unhcr.org/en-us/media-centre.html>

Briefing notes

[DRC inter-communal clashes drive 16,000 refugees into Congo-Brazzaville](#) 4 Jan 2019

[Innovation, green tech and sunlight help secure safe water for Rohingya refugees](#) 4 Jan 2019

Press releases and news comments

[UNHCR seeking clarification from India over returns of Rohingya](#) 4 Jan 2019

[News Comment - UNHCR appeals for access to refugees on Algeria-Niger border](#) 3 Jan 2019

[On last day of 2018, UNHCR urges rapid solution for refugees stranded on Mediterranean Sea](#) 31 Dec 2018

IOM / International Organization for Migration [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.iom.int/press-room/press-releases>

Selected Announcements

No new digest content identified.

UNAIDS [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.unaids.org/en>

Selected Press Releases/Reports/Statements

27 December 2018

[First Lady of Botswana champions revitalization of HIV prevention among adolescent girls and young women](#)

WHO & Regional Offices [to 5 Jan 2019]

[144th Session of the WHO Executive Board](#)

24 January – 1 February 2019 Coordinated Universal Time

Geneva, Switzerland

[See selected agenda content in Milestones above]

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[WHO Director-General concludes New Year visit to Ebola-affected areas in the Democratic Republic of the Congo](#)

3 January 2019, News Release, Geneva

[See Ebola above for detail]

[Statement on disruptions to the Ebola response in the Democratic Republic of the Congo](#)

by Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, WHO Director-General

28 December 2018 Statement Geneva

[See Ebola above for detail]

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WHO Regional Offices

Selected Press Releases, Announcements

WHO African Region AFRO

Selected Featured News

:: [WHO Director-General applauds Uganda's Ebola preparedness response](#) 03 January 2019

:: [Ethiopia launched new guideline for reaching missed tuberculosis cases](#) 27 December 2018

WHO Region of the Americas PAHO

- No new announcement identified

WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO

- No new announcement identified

WHO European Region EURO

- No new announcement identified

WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

:: WHO condemns attack on Al Jala Hospital in Benghazi 27 December 2018

:: SIDA donation helps WHO support health care services in southern Syria 27 December 2018

WHO Western Pacific Region

- No new announcement identified

World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.oie.int/en/for-the-media/press-releases/2018/>

No new digest content identified.

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.unfpa.org/press/press-release>

No new digest content identified.

UNDP United Nations Development Programme [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/presscenter.html>

Selected Press Releases/Announcements

No new digest content identified.

UN Division for Sustainable Development [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/>

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://unsdsn.org/news/>

No new digest content identified.

UN Statistical Commission :: UN Statistics Division [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/default.htm>

<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/statcom/commission.htm>

<http://unstats.un.org/sdgs/>

Latest News

Eighth meeting of the IAEG-SDGs

The eighth meeting of the Inter-agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators (IAEG-SDGs), will be held from 5 to 8 November 2018 in Stockholm, Sweden. The meeting will be hosted by Statistics Sweden.

UNEP United Nations Environment Programme [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.unenvironment.org/>

03 Jan 2019 *Press release*

World takes a stand against powerful greenhouse gases with implementation of Kigali Amendment

The Kigali Amendment to the Montreal protocol will reduce the projected production and consumption of hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) by more than 80 per cent over the next 30 years. If fully supported, the amendment can avoid up...

UNISDR UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.unisdr.org/archive>

No new digest content identified.

UN DESA United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.un.org/development/desa/en/news.html>

4 January 2019, New York

First-ever World Braille Day underscores importance of written language for human rights

To raise awareness of the importance of Braille for approximately 1.3 billion people living with some form of distance or near vision impairment, on Friday the United Nations is observing the first official World Braille Day.

Recognized henceforth each 4 January, the Day was proclaimed by the General Assembly last November, as a means of realizing fully the human rights of visually-impaired and partially-sighted people, and bringing written language to the forefront as a critical prerequisite for promoting fundamental freedoms...

3 January 2019, New York

Staying on-track to realize the Sustainable Development Goals

2019 will be a critical year for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. UN DESA will be fully engaged in the preparation of the two High-level Political Forums, one in July under the auspices of the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), completing its first cycle, and one in September at the summit level under the auspices of the General Assembly. We must seize the momentum to implement the 2030 Agenda and use this opportune year to assess progress and to strengthen our political will to act to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in all regions.

Many countries are aligning their national policies and institutions behind the Goals to improve people's lives. Businesses are taking action to invest in new technologies, opening up new markets, and building the sustainable and inclusive economy of the 21st century. Civil society organizations and other stakeholders are also using these Goals to drive change at the local, subnational and national levels and holding their Governments accountable.

Even though progress is being made, gaps are evident. The world remains on a trajectory of increasing inequality, and it is facing armed conflicts, humanitarian and environmental crises, as well as economic, financial and climate challenges.

Moreover, the scale and pace of change in public and private investment in sustainable development remain alarmingly insufficient. We, therefore, urgently need a surge in financing, investments and technological innovation.

In 2019, UN DESA will launch the Global Sustainable Development Report, an analysis by an independent group of scientists undertaken every four years to assess where we stand. Additionally, over the next months, the department will release several other analytical reports to assess progress made towards the SDGs to provide context to this year's high-level discussions...

UNESCO [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://en.unesco.org/news>

No new digest content identified.

UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/press/allpress.html?ref=fp>

No new digest content identified.

UN-HABITAT United Nations Human Settlements Programme [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://unhabitat.org/media-centre/news/>

Posted January 2, 2019

[**New Year's Message from United Nations Under-Secretary-General and UN-Habitat Executive Director Maimunah Mohd Sharif**](#)

FAO Food & Agriculture Organization [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.fao.org/news/archive/news-by-date/2018/en/>

No new digest content identified.

ILO International Labour Organization [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.ilo.org/global/about-the-ilo/newsroom/news/lang--en/index.htm>

ILO 100

[**100 years of fighting for Social Justice**](#)

02 January 2019

To welcome the beginning of the ILO's century year, we look at the organization's history and impact – and how it is preparing for its second century.

Globalization and decent work

[**Responding to globalization: The Decent Work Agenda**](#)

24 December 2018

As the ILO turns 100, we look at some of the key events that shaped the organization's story. The introduction of the Decent Work Agenda at the turn of the century was one such milestone.

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.icao.int/>

31/12/18

[Solid passenger traffic growth and moderate air cargo demand in 2018](#)

24/12/18

[UN Security Council Counter-Terrorism Committee briefing heightens aviation security momentum](#)

IMO International Maritime Organization [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.imo.org/en/MediaCentre/PressBriefings/Pages/Home.aspx>

No new digest content identified.

WMO World Meteorological Organization [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://public.wmo.int/en/media/press-release>

No new digest content identified.

UPU Universal Postal Union [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://news.upu.int/>

No new digest content identified.

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.unido.org/news-centre/news.html>

No new digest content identified.

International Organization for Standardization (ISO) [to 5 Jan 2019]

https://www.iso.org/news_archive/x/

No new digest content identified.

UNWTO World Tourism Organization [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://media.unwto.org/news>

27 December 2018

[UNWTO/ETC Launch Report on Health Tourism](#)

Madrid, Spain, 27 December 2018 – The World Tourism Organization (UNWTO), together with the European Travel Commission (ETC) launched a new report on health tourism. Part of their joint research programme, the study is the first attempt to set a coherent conceptualization of health tourism and define the motivations behind travellers looking for health-related services.

WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/>

No new digest content identified.

CBD Convention on Biological Diversity [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.cbd.int/press-releases/>

No new digest content identified.

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USAID [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.usaid.gov/news-information>

No new digest content identified.

DFID [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-international-development>

Selected Press Releases

[UK aid removing Daesh explosives and helping Iraqis return home](#)

5 January 2019 DFID Press release

[UK aid will be “even quicker and smarter” in 2019](#)

31 December 2018 DFID Press release

ECHO [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://ec.europa.eu/echo/en/news>

No new digest content identified.

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African Union [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.au.int/>

[We generally limit coverage to regional and global level initiatives, recognizing that a number of country-level announcements are added each week]

December 30, 2018

[Statement of the Chairperson of the Commission on the situation in the Sudan](#)

Addis Ababa, 30 December 2018: The Chairperson of the African Union Commission, Moussa Faki Mahamat, has followed with increasing concern the unfolding political developments in the Sudan, which has witnessed violence and death on the streets of its cities, wanton destruction, alongside arrests of several opposition figures.

Noting that further demonstrations are planned for 31 December 2018 across the country, the Chairperson calls upon all sides to exercise utmost restraint in the coming period.

The Chairperson stresses that this is a testing period in the history of Sudan. He, therefore, reminds the Sudanese political leaders of their collective responsibility to pursue constructive, peaceful avenues for addressing the country's pressing challenges.

ASEAN Association of Southeast Asian Nations [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://asean.org/category/news/asean-secretariat-news/>
[We generally limit coverage to regional and global level initiatives]
No new digest content identified.

European Commission [to 5 Jan 2019]
<http://europa.eu/rapid/search-result.htm?query=18&locale=en&page=1>
No new digest content identified.

OECD [to 5 Jan 2019]
<http://www.oecd.org/>
[We generally limit coverage to regional and global level initiatives, recognizing that a number of country-level announcements are added each week]
No new digest content identified.

Organization of American States (OAS) [to 5 Jan 2019]
<http://www.oas.org/en/>
No new digest content identified.

Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) [to 5 Jan 2019]
<https://www.oic-oci.org/home/?lan=en>
31/12/2018
[**Urgent Appeal for Emergency Assistance for Internally Displaced People in Afghanistan**](#)
The OIC General Secretariat calls upon the Member States and all humanitarian organizations both within and outside the Islamic World, as well as international organizations, to urgently extend immediate humanitarian assistance to Afghanistan, which has been suffering from a devastating drought for several months that has left a large number of internally displaced people in dire need for food, shelter and other emergency assistance. ...

Group of 77 [to 5 Jan 2019]
<http://www.g77.org/>
No new digest content identified.

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UNCTAD [to 5 Jan 2019]
<http://unctad.org/en/Pages/AllPressRelease.aspx>
[We generally limit coverage to regional and global level initiatives]
No new digest content identified.

World Customs Organization – WCO [to 5 Jan 2019]
<http://www.wcoomd.org/>
Selected Latest News

No new digest content identified.

WTO - World Trade Organisation [to 5 Jan 2019]

http://www.wto.org/english/news_e/news_e.htm

[We generally limit coverage to regional and global level initiatives]

No new digest content identified.

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IPU Inter-Parliamentary Union [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.ipu.org/news/press-releases>

No new digest content identified.

International Court of Justice [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.icj-cij.org/en/press-releases>

No new digest content identified.

International Criminal Court (ICC) [to 5 Jan 2019]

Trying individuals for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity

<https://www.icc-cpi.int/>

No new digest content identified.

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World Bank [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.worldbank.org/en/news/all>

[We generally limit coverage to regional and global level initiatives, recognizing that a number of country-level announcements are added each week]

No new digest content identified.

IMF [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.imf.org/en/News/Search?type=News+Article>

[We generally limit coverage to regional or Africa-wide initiatives, recognizing that a number of country-level announcements are added each week]

No new digest content identified.

African Development Bank Group [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.afdb.org/en/news-and-events/press-releases/>

[We generally limit coverage to regional or Africa-wide initiatives, recognizing that a number of country-level announcements are added each week]

No new digest content identified.

Asian Development Bank [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.adb.org/news/releases>

[We generally limit coverage to regional or Asia-wide initiatives, recognizing that a number of country-level announcements are added each week]

No new digest content identified.

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.aiib.org/en/news-events/news/index.html>

[We generally limit coverage to regional or Asia-wide initiatives, recognizing that a number of country-level announcements are added each week]

No new digest content identified.

IFAD International Fund for Agricultural Development [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.ifad.org/web/latest/news>

No new digest content identified.

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:: INGO/Consortia/Joint Initiatives Watch

We will monitor media releases and other announcements around key initiatives, new research and major organizational change from a growing number of global NGOs, collaborations, and initiatives across the human rights, humanitarian response and development spheres of action. WE will not reference fundraising announcements, programs, events or appeals, and generally not include content which is primarily photo-documentation or video in format.

Action Contre la Faim – Action Against Hunger [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org>

No new digest content identified.

Alliance for International Medical Action (ALIMA) [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.alima-ngo.org/en/press-room>

No new digest content identified.

Amref Health Africa [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://amref.org/news/news/>

No new digest content identified.

Aravind Eye Care System [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.aravind.org/default/currentnewscontent>

No new digest content identified.

BRAC [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.brac.net/#news>

No new digest content identified.

CARE International [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.care-international.org/news/press-releases>

No new digest content identified.

Clubhouse International [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.clubhouse-intl.org/news.html>

No new digest content identified.

Danish Refugee Council [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.drc.dk/news>

No new digest content identified.

ECPAT [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.ecpat.net/news>

News & Updates

04/01/2019

[UK: Child protection systems fail when trafficking victims run away](#)

ECPAT UK and Missing People are warning that trafficked and unaccompanied children are 30 times more likely to go missing than other children their age. Additionally, in 2017, child trafficking victims went missing from care on average 7 times, highlighting grave safeguarding failures on the part of local authorities.

Still in Harm's Way, is the follow up report of the ground-breaking Heading Back to Harm, which highlighted the alarming number of trafficked and unaccompanied children going missing from care – with many never found.

Fountain House [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.fountainhouse.org/about/news-press>

No new digest content identified.

Humanity & Inclusion [nee Handicap International] [to 5 Jan 2019]

http://www.handicap-international.us/press_releases

No new digest content identified.

Heifer International [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.heifer.org/about-heifer/press/press-releases.html>

No new digest content identified.

HelpAge International [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.helpage.org/newsroom/press-room/press-releases/>

No new digest content identified.

ICRC [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.icrc.org/en/whats-new>

Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports

News release

[Juba \(ICRC\) – The International Committee of the Red Cross \(ICRC\) has facilitated the release and return of 22 persons from Central Equatoria in South Sudan](#)

31 December 2018

The ICRC has managed to facilitate the release and transport by air to Juba of 22 persons, who had been caught up in ongoing nearby fighting, from a remote location in the Central Equatoria region of South Sudan.

IFRC [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://media.ifrc.org/ifrc/news/press-releases/>

No new digest content identified.

International Medical Corps (IMC) [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://internationalmedicalcorps.org/stories-and-news/>

No new digest content identified.

IRC International Rescue Committee [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.rescue.org/press-release-index>

Press Release

[Election-related violence in Democratic Republic of Congo forces IRC to temporarily suspend life-saving Ebola response programming](#)

A suspension in programming could allow the disease to spread unabated and lead to an international health catastrophe

:: Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) election commission uses Ebola as reason to delay elections in two districts that are the epicenter of the outbreak, leading to violent protests and the targeting of Ebola response actors;

:: With almost 600 cases and more than 350 deaths, this outbreak is already the second deadliest in history;

:: The IRC is monitoring the situation and will resume operations as soon as it is safe.

IRCT [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.irct.org/>

No new digest content identified.

Islamic Relief Worldwide [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.islamic-relief.org/>

Latest News

[Severe floods and heavy rain displace thousands of families in northern Syria](#)

Published: 3 January, 2019

Indonesia

[IR continues to help people affected by tsunami](#)

Published: 2 January, 2019

Landsea [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.landesa.org/press-and-media-categories/press-releases/>

No new digest content identified.

Medecins du Monde [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.medecinsdumonde.org/>

No new digest content identified.

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.msf.org/>

Selected News; Project Updates, Reports

Indonesia

[Update on response to Sunda Strait tsunami](#)

Project Update 27 Dec 2018

Indonesia

[MSF supports health centres tending to Sunda Strait tsunami victims ...](#)

Project Update 24 Dec 2018

Access to medicines

[Calling on governments to scale up oral TB treatment](#)

Press Release 22 Dec 2018

Geneva — Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) today welcomed new World Health Organization (WHO) treatment guidelines that recommend drug-resistant tuberculosis (DR-TB) be treated with oral drugs only, including newer, more potent drugs with fewer side effects, such as bedaquiline.

Two injectable drugs known to cause deafness and other severe side effects are no longer recommended in the new guideline – an important step towards more tolerable treatment for all patients.

The recommended 18 to 20-month treatment regimen includes more potent drugs – bedaquiline, linezolid, levofloxacin and moxifloxacin – that can help improve cure rates, reduce deaths and cause people far fewer side effects.

MSF called on countries with large numbers of people with DR-TB to urgently start implementing these new treatment guidelines for at least half of new DR-TB cases by September 2019, and to make efforts to reach all people in need by March 2020...

Mercy Corps [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.mercycorps.org/press-room/releases>

No new digest content identified.

Operation Smile [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.operationssmile.org/press-office>

[Program Schedule](#)

Here's what we're doing worldwide to make a difference in the lives of children who deserve every opportunity for safe surgical care.

OXFAM [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.oxfam.org/en/pressroom/pressreleases>

Selected News/Announcements

28 December 2018

[Oxfam forced to suspend Ebola response in DR Congo following pre-election violence](#)

Oxfam has been forced to suspend its work in the Ebola ravaged areas of Beni and Butembo in Democratic Republic of Congo, due to violent protests following the announcement that people in these areas won't be able to cast their votes for a new president.

Norwegian Refugee Council [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.nrc.no/>

Latest news from NRC

UKRAINE

[The cold reality of Europe's forgotten conflict](#)

Ingebjorg Karstad Published 04. Jan 2019

This year the armed conflict in eastern Ukraine will enter its fifth year. So far, the conflict has taken 3,000 civilian lives, displaced 1.5 million people and left 3.5 million in need - over 30 per cent of these are above the age of 60.

Pact [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.pactworld.org/>

No new digest content identified.

Partners In Health [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.pih.org/blog>

No new digest content identified.

PATH [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.path.org/media-center/>

January 1, 2019 by PATH

[Community-based HIV testing effective in reaching undiagnosed populations, PATH-led study finds](#)

Lay provider HIV testing in Vietnam offers new model to connect at-risk populations with antiretroviral therapy

Hanoi, Vietnam, January 1, 2019—One in three people living with HIV in Vietnam remain undiagnosed, according to recent estimates. New strategies and models of HIV testing are urgently needed to reach undiagnosed populations and help them enroll in antiretroviral therapy (ART), in Vietnam and throughout the world.

Results from an evaluation study now published in PLOS ONE demonstrate that HIV testing by lay providers can serve as a critical addition to efforts to achieve the United Nations' 90-90-90 global HIV targets by 2020 and help to cover the "last mile" of HIV services to at-risk populations in Vietnam...

Plan International/BORNEfonden [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://plan-international.org/about-plan/resources/media-centre>

No new digest content identified.

Save The Children [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.savethechildren.net/news>

Monday 24 December 2018

[Hundreds of children report police violence at EU borders](#)

Testimonies gathered by Save the Children, and its partner in Serbia, found more than 1,350 cases of children being pushed back across European Union borders between January and November this year.

SOS-Kinderdorf International [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.sos-childrensvillages.org/news>

Nepal – 3 January 2019

[Actor dreams of bringing an Oscar to Nepal](#)

As a child growing up in SOS Children's Village Kavre in Nepal, Rupesh Lama would mesmerise the other children by acting out fantastic stories. He would have his SOS family laughing hysterically with his jokes and character impressions.

Tostan [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.tostan.org>

No new digest content identified.

Women for Women International [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.womenforwomen.org/>

No new digest content identified.

World Vision [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://wvi.org/>

Wednesday, January 2nd 2019

[Statement in Response to Tragic Death of Eight-year-old Felipe Alonzo Gomez](#)

World Vision deeply regrets the death of another migrant child from Guatemala, eight-year-old Felipe Alonzo Gómez, on December 24 in New Mexico, USA.

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Center for Media Ethics and Responsibility/CMFR [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://cmfr-phil.org/media-ethics-responsibility/>

No new digest content identified.

Electronic Frontiers Foundation

https://www.eff.org/updates?type=press_release

No new digest content identified.

Freedom House [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://freedomhouse.org/news>

Selected Press Releases, Statements, Research

[Now Streaming: Censorship](#)

Jan 3 2019 - 4:52pm

How should companies like Netflix respond when repressive governments order the removal of critical content?

Press Releases

[South Africa Assumes Seat on UN Security Council](#)

January 2, 2019

South Africa takes its seat on the UN Security Council this week for the third time since its founding elections in 1994.

Transparency International [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.transparency.org/news/pressreleases>

No new digest content identified.

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Bond [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.bond.org.uk/news>

3 January 2019

[Connecting to shift power: A new PACT for civil society](#)

After speaking to over 3000 people, the Civil Society Futures inquiry has proposed some recommendations for building stronger connections between charities and the public.

[Julia Unwin](#)

2 January 2019

6 policy changes we want to see this year

Some of the policy areas that Bond will be working on in 2019 and the changes we'd like to see happen in them.

ChildFund Alliance [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://childfundalliance.org/>

No new digest content identified.

CONCORD [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://concordeurope.org/news-and-events/>

No new digest content identified.

Disasters Emergency Committee [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.dec.org.uk/media-centre>

LATEST PRESS RELEASES

No new digest content identified.

The Elders [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://theelders.org/news-media>

Selected Press Releases and Major Announcements

No new digest content identified.

Evidence Aid [to 5 Jan 2019]

www.evidenceaid.org

December 17, 2018

The use of evidence synthesis in the humanitarian field

Claire Allen Blog

...The GESI Secretariat at the American University of Beirut aims to enhance the capacity to produce and use cross-sectoral evidence synthesis in low- and middle-income countries across the world. They have identified some local practitioners who are able to identify or produce evidence to inform decision-making in non-health fields; and the current regional conflict and influx of refugees to Lebanon has pushed the GESI Secretariat to talk to stakeholders in the field about their views on evidence. They have produced a video blog "The Use of Evidence Synthesis in the Humanitarian Field" to present the experience with evidence of two of the GESI Secretariat's main national stakeholders in the humanitarian field.

One of these is Mr Hussein Ismail, a humanitarian expert who, after four years of field work, was interested in focusing on the "evidence part of the humanitarian field". He noticed the gap between what is implemented and what is published online by academic researchers. In his opinion, humanitarian practitioners need to learn more about humanitarian evidence and be more exposed to methods such as systematic and scoping reviews. He believes that this will help them to take better

strategic decisions when planning interventions, and to identify those areas for which evidence is needed but lacking...

Gavi [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.gavi.org/>

No new digest content identified.

Global Fund [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.theglobalfund.org/en/news/>

No new digest content identified.

Hilton Prize Coalition [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://prizecoalition.charity.org/>

No new digest content identified.

ICVA - International Council of Voluntary Agencies [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://icvanetwork.org/>

Latest resources

No new digest content identified.

INEE – an international network for education in emergencies [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.ineesite.org/en/news>

News

No new digest content identified.

InterAction [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.interaction.org/>

Latest News; Blog Entries

No new digest content identified.

Start Network [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://startnetwork.org/news-and-blogs>

No new digest content identified.

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3ie International Initiative for Impact Evaluation [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.3ieimpact.org/>

Impact evaluation 3ie 2018

[Impacts of removing user fees for maternal health services on universal health coverage in Kenya](#)

This evaluation examines both the short- and long-term impacts of removing user fees for maternal health services in Kenya on low-income women's maternal health facilities use.

Active Learning Network for Accountability and Performance in Humanitarian Action (ALNAP) [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.alnap.org/>

No new digest content identified.

CHS Alliance [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://chsalliance.org/news-events/news>

No new digest content identified.

Development Initiatives [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://devinit.org/news/>

No new digest content identified.

EHLRA/R2HC [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.elrha.org/resource-hub/news/>

No new digest content identified.

Groupe URD [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.urd.org/?lang=en>

No new digest content identified.

International Humanitarian Studies Association [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://ihsa.info/>

No new digest content identified.

The Sphere Project [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.sphereproject.org/news/>

No new digest content identified.

Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP) [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://phap.org/>

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

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Brookings

<http://www.brookings.edu/>

Accessed 5 Jan 2019

Latest Research

U.S. Economy

[Seasonally and weather-adjusting the monthly jobs numbers](#)

Jonathan Wright

Friday, January 4, 2019

Monetary Policy

[Former Fed Vice Chair Donald Kohn on monetary policy strategies, tools, and communication](#)

Donald Kohn

Thursday, January 3, 2019

U.S. Defense

[Quality over quantity: U.S. military strategy and spending in the Trump years](#)

James N. Miller and Michael E. O'Hanlon

January 2019

Regulatory Policy

[Implementing a real time payment system](#)

Aaron Klein

Wednesday, January 2, 2019

Health Care Policy

[Effects of weakening safeguards in the Administration's Health Reimbursement Arrangement proposal](#)

Matthew Fiedler

Friday, December 28, 2018

Center for Global Development [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.cgdev.org/page/press-center>

No new digest content identified.

CSIS [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.csis.org/>

Selected Reports

Report

[U.S. Policy Roadmap: A Drive to Transform Global Food and Nutrition Security](#)

January 4, 2019 | [Kimberly Flowers](#) There are few issues more urgent and more important both at home and abroad than food security and improved nutrition. This brief outlines five recommendations for U.S. policymakers to maximize investments and sustain transformation in agriculture and nutrition development.

Report

Understanding Transportation in Emerging Economies

January 4, 2019 | [Nikos Tsafos](#)

CSIS energy expert Nikos Tsafos breaks down the five main takeaways from a recent workshop on “Transportation in Emerging Economies” hosted by CSIS as part of its ongoing work on energy and development.

ODI [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.odi.org/>

Selected Press Releases & Reports

No new digest content identified.

Urban Institute [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.urban.org/publications>

January 4, 2019

Supportive Housing Organizational Capacity Assessment Tool

In this report, the authors present the Supportive Housing Organizational Capacity Assessment Tool (SHOCAT). The SHOCAT can be used by organizations involved in any aspect of supportive housing for self-assessment and can also be used by researchers and policymakers to evaluate capacity-building efforts and by funders to help guide investments. The report describes the process for developing the tool and validating its

[Martha R. Burt](#), [Josh Leopold](#), [Mychal Cohen](#)

Research Report

How Secure Is Employment at Older Ages?

Tracking older adults in the Health and Retirement Study from 1992 to 2016, we find that about one-half of full-time, full-year workers ages 51 to 54 experience an employer-related involuntary job separation after age 50 that substantially reduces earnings for years or leads to long-term unemployment. The steady earnings that many people count on in their 50s and 60s to build their retirement savings and ensure some financial

[Richard W. Johnson](#), [Peter Gosselin](#)

December 28, 2018

Research Report

World Economic Forum [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://agenda.weforum.org/news/>

Selected News Releases

Saving Lives and the Planet: Balancing Diet with Alternative Proteins Can Cut Deaths by 5% and Emissions by 25%

News 03 Jan 2019

- New research by the Oxford Martin School for the World Economic Forum finds that balancing meat consumption with alternative sources of protein can lead to significant health and environmental benefits
- A sustainable food industry and healthier human life can be achieved through further innovation in the development of alternative proteins, livestock production and consumer behaviour

- Commitment exists across business, government and civil society to ensure transformation of the food system while preserving the livelihood of hundreds of millions of livestock farmers around the world
- Read the full report [here](#).

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:: Foundation/Major Donor Watch

We will primarily monitor press/media releases announcing key initiatives and new research from a growing number of global foundations and donors engaged in the human rights, humanitarian response and development spheres of action. This Watch section is not intended to be exhaustive, but indicative.

Paul G. Allen Frontiers Group [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.alleninstitute.org/news-press/>

News

[Allen Institute 2018 year in review](#)

December 21, 2018

A look back at milestones of the year, from launching a new division to celebrating 15 years of impact

BMGF - Gates Foundation [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.gatesfoundation.org/Media-Center/Press-Releases>

No new digest content identified.

Annie E. Casey Foundation [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.aecf.org/newsroom/>

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

Blue Meridian Partners [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.emcf.org/capital-aggregation/blue-meridian-partners/>

Blue Meridian Partners is a new capital aggregation collaboration that plans to invest at least \$1 billion in high-performance nonprofits that are poised to have truly national impact for economically disadvantaged children and youth.

No new digest content identified.

Clinton Foundation [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.clintonfoundation.org/press-releases-and-statements>

No new digest content identified.

Co Impact [to 5 Jan 2019]

www.co-impact.io

Co-Impact is a global philanthropic collaborative for systems change focused on improving the lives of millions of people around the world.

No new digest content identified.

Ford Foundation [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.fordfoundation.org/?filter=News>

No new digest content identified.

GHIT Fund [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.ghitfund.org/newsroom/press>

GHIT was set up in 2012 with the aim of developing new tools to tackle infectious diseases that devastate the world's poorest people. Other funders include six Japanese pharmaceutical

No new digest content identified.

Grameen Foundation [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.grameenfoundation.org/news-events/press-room>

No new digest content identified.

William and Flora Hewlett Foundation [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://hewlett.org/latest-updates/>

Latest Updates

No new digest content identified.

Conrad N. Hilton Foundation [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.hiltonfoundation.org/news>

Press Release

[Conrad N. Hilton Foundation Awards More Than \\$38 Million in Grants in the Fourth Quarter of 2018](#)

(Los Angeles) December 24, 2018 - The board of directors of the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation announced today that 24 grants and two program related investments were approved, totaling more than \$38 million during the fourth quarter of 2018. These grants and program related investments were awarded to 26 organizations spanning across the Hilton Foundation's priority areas, both in the U.S. and internationally...

IKEA Foundation [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.ikeafoundation.org/category/press-releases/>

No new digest content identified.

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.hhmi.org/news>

No new digest content identified.

Kaiser Family Foundation [to 5 Jan 2019]

https://www.kff.org/search/?post_type=press-release

No new digest content identified.

Aga Khan Foundation [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.akdn.org/our-agencies/aga-khan-foundation>

No new digest content identified.

Kellogg Foundation [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.wkkf.org/news-and-media#pp=10&p=1&f1=news>

No new digest content identified.

MacArthur Foundation [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.macfound.org/>

No new digest content identified.

Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.moore.org/>

December 31, 2018

[Sharpening the focus on risks and opportunities for businesses](#)

...The newly released Guidance for Applying Enterprise Risk Management to Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG)-related Risks, a publication of COSO and the World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD), is intended to address this challenge. The guidance will help companies and other organizations integrate and manage their ESG-related risks and identify opportunities ESG present to their bottom line.

The newly released supplemental guide offers a five-step approach designed to help corporate decision-makers and risk management and sustainability managers pragmatically respond to ESG concerns, beginning with the establishment of governance structures and processes such as identifying, assessing, responding, reviewing and communicating risks...

Open Society Foundation [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/issues/media-information>

No new digest content identified.

David and Lucile Packard Foundation [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.packard.org/news/>

No new digest content identified.

Pew Charitable Trusts [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.pewtrusts.org/en/about/news-room>

Press Releases & Statements

January 3, 2019

Novartis Provides Data to SPARK, Pew's Platform for Antibiotic Discovery Research

Information will aid in search for urgently needed new antibiotics

WASHINGTON—The Pew Charitable Trusts announced today that Novartis has shared data from its antibiotic research programs on Pew's open-access Shared Platform for Antibiotic Research and Knowledge (SPARK). The move follows Achaogen's commitment in October to provide SPARK with data from its own discontinued antibiotic research program, and further expands the free, interactive resource, which scientists around the world are using to pursue antibiotic research.

Novartis shared data from its LpxA, LpxD, and LpxK antibacterial programs that explored new ways to attack Gram-negative bacteria, a class of pathogens that includes some of the most dangerous superbugs because of their tough defense mechanisms. These research programs were discontinued earlier this year.

"Antibiotic resistance is among the world's most pressing public health challenges, and figuring out how to defeat antibiotic-resistant Gram-negative bacteria is essential to meeting this challenge," said Allan Coukell, Pew's senior director of health programs. "Our hope is that the data from these early research programs will reinvigorate the pipeline of antibiotics in development. Novartis's willingness to make this contribution ensures that its scientific investment can be used by any researcher in the quest to solve the global problem of antibiotic resistance." ...

Rockefeller Foundation [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.rockefellerfoundation.org/about-us/news-media/>

No new digest content identified.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.rwjf.org/en/about-rwjf/newsroom/news-releases.html>

Latest News Releases, Blog Posts, Reports

No new digest content identified.

Science Philanthropy Alliance [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://www.sciencephilanthropyalliance.org/what-we-do/news/>

"...a group of organizations working together to increase philanthropic support for basic scientific research on a global basis..."

No new digest content identified.

SDG Philanthropy Platform

<http://sdgfunders.org/>

SDG Philanthropy Platform is a collaboration between philanthropy and the greater international development community led by Foundation Center, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors, and supported by the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation, Ford Foundation and the MasterCard Foundation, the Brach Family Foundation, and other key organizations such as Asociación de Fundaciones Empresariales (AFE) in Colombia, Brach Family Charitable

Foundation, CAF America, Council on Foundations, East Africa Association of Grantmakers (EAAG), European Foundation Centre, Filantropi Indonesia (FI), GlobalGiving, The Humanitarian Forum, World Congress of Muslim Philanthropists, and Worldwide Initiatives for Grantmaker Support (WINGS).

<https://sloan.org/about/press>

No new digest content identified.

Alfred P. Sloan Foundation [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://sloan.org/about/press>

No new digest content identified.

Wellcome Trust [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://wellcome.ac.uk/news>

News | 29 December 2018

Wellcome leaders awarded New Year Honours

Jeremy Farrar, Wellcome's Director, and Mike Ferguson, Deputy Chair of our Board of Governors, have both been knighted in the New Year's Honours 2019.

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Foundation Center [to 5 Jan 2019]

<http://foundationcenter.org/about-us/press-room>

No new digest content identified.

Council on Foundations [to 5 Jan 2019]

<https://www.cof.org/newsroom>

No new digest content identified.

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:: Journal Watch

The Sentinel will track key peer-reviewed journals which address a broad range of interests in human rights, humanitarian response, health and development. It is not intended to be exhaustive. We will add to those monitored below as we encounter relevant content and upon recommendation from readers. We selectively provide full text of abstracts and other content but note that successful access to some of the articles and other content may require subscription or other access arrangement unique to the publisher. Please suggest additional journals you feel warrant coverage.

American Journal of Infection Control

January 2019 Volume 47, Issue 1, p1-116

<http://www.ajicjournal.org/current>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

American Journal of Preventive Medicine

January 2019 Volume 56, Issue 1, p1-178

<http://www.ajpmonline.org/current>

Research Articles

[Implementation of Strategies to Improve Human Papillomavirus Vaccine Coverage: A Provider Survey](#)

Emily B. Walling, Sherry Dodd, Neil Bobenhouse, Evelyn Cohen Reis, Randy Sterkel, Jane Garbutt
p74–83 Published in issue: January 2019

American Journal of Public Health

January 2019 109(1)

<http://ajph.aphapublications.org/toc/ajph/current>

HUMAN RIGHTS

[Access to Pain Management as a Human Right](#)

Global Health, Human Rights, Health Law

Frank Brennan, Diederik Lohman and Liz Gwyther

109(1), pp. 61–65

SLAVERY

[400 Years of Inequality Since Jamestown of 1619](#)

Other Race/Ethnicity, History, Race/Ethnicity, African Americans/Blacks

Thomas A. LaVeist, Mindy Fullilove and Robert Fullilove

109(1), pp. 83–84

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 99, Issue 6, 2018

<http://www.ajtmh.org/content/journals/14761645/99/6>

[Reviewed earlier]

BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation

<http://resource-allocation.biomedcentral.com/>

(Accessed 5 Jan 2019)

[No new digest content identified]

BMJ Global Health

January 2019 - Volume 4 - 1

<https://gh.bmj.com/content/4/1>

Research

[Can child-focused sanitation and nutrition programming improve health practices and outcomes? Evidence from a randomised controlled trial in Kitui County, Kenya](#) (5 January, 2019)

Gerishom Gimaiyo, Jeffery McManus, Matt Yarri, Shiva Singh, Andrew Trevett, Grainne Moloney, Ann Robins, Lilian Lehmann

BMC Health Services Research

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmchealthservres/content>

(Accessed 5 Jan 2019)

Research article

Community-based interventions to enhance healthy aging in disadvantaged areas: perceptions of older adults and health care professionals

The number of older adults with different ethnic and socioeconomic background is steadily increasing. There is a need for community-based health promotion interventions for older adults that are responsive to ...

Authors: Abirami Srivarathan, Andrea Nedergaard Jensen and Maria Kristiansen

Citation: BMC Health Services Research 2019 19:7

Published on: 5 January 2019

Research article

Development of multi-criteria decision analysis (MCDA) framework for off-patent pharmaceuticals – an application on improving tender decision making in Indonesia

Off-patent pharmaceuticals (OPPs) hold vital importance in meeting public health objectives, especially in developing countries where resources are limited. OPPs are comprised of off-patent originals, branded generics and unbranded generics; nonetheless, these products are not identical and often there are differences in their equivalence, manufacturing quality standards and reliability of supply. This necessitates reconsideration of the lowest price policy objective in pharmaceutical decision making. The aim of this study was to develop a Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis (MCDA) framework through a pilot workshop to inform the national procurement of OPPs in Indonesia.

Authors: Andras Inotai, Diana Brixner, Nikos Maniadakis, Iwan Dwiprahasto, Erna Kristin, Agus Prabowo, Alfi Yasmina, Sigit Prihutomo, Bertalan Németh, Kalman Wijaya and Zoltan Kalo

Citation: BMC Health Services Research 2018 18:1003

Published on: 29 December 2018

BMC Infectious Diseases

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcinfectdis/content>

(Accessed 5 Jan 2019)

Research article

Epidemiology survey of infectious diseases in North Korean travelers, 2015–2017

Up until now, there are limited studies available on the epidemiology of infectious diseases in Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK, North Korea). However, different types of infectious diseases have been found in North Korean travelers at Dandong port. Entry surveillance data of those North Korean travelers may provide some insight into the probable epidemiology of some infectious diseases in DPRK.

Authors: Pengyu Han, Yanxia Teng, Xiuxin Bi, Jinge Li and Dianxing Sun

Citation: BMC Infectious Diseases 2019 19:13

Published on: 5 January 2019

BMC Medical Ethics

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmedethics/content>

(Accessed 5 Jan 2019)

Debate

| 27 December 2018

[African bioethics: methodological doubts and insights](#)

A trend called 'African bioethics' is growing on the continent due to perceptions of existing bioethics, especially guidelines for international collaborative research, as 'ethical imperialism'. As a potential alternative to 'Western Principlism,' 'African bioethics' is supposed to be indigenous to Africa and reflective of African identity. However, despite many positive insights in the on-going discussions, it is feared that the growth of bioethics in Africa lacks a clear direction. Some of the views threaten to distort the essence of bioethics and its development on the continent.

Authors: John Barugahare

BMC Medicine

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmed/content>

(Accessed 5 Jan 2019)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcpregnancychildbirth/content>

(Accessed 5 Jan 2019)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Public Health

<http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com/articles>

(Accessed 5 Jan 2019)

Research article

[Impact of an organization-wide knowledge translation strategy to support evidence-informed public health decision making](#)

The public health sector is moving toward adopting evidence-informed decision making into practice, but effort is still required to effectively develop capacity and promote contextual factors that advance and ...

Authors: Maureen Dobbins, Robyn L. Traynor, Stephanie Workentine, Reza Yousefi-Nooraie and Jennifer Yost

Citation: BMC Public Health 2018 18:1412

Published on: 29 December 2018

Research article

[Determinants of access to HIV testing and counselling services among female sex workers in sub-Saharan Africa: a systematic review](#)

HIV testing and counselling (HTC) is an essential component for HIV prevention and a critical entry point into the HIV continuum of care and treatment. Despite the importance of HTC for HIV control, access to ...

Authors: Soori Nnko, Evodius Kuringe, Daniel Nyato, Mary Drake, Caterina Casalini, Amani Shao, Albert Komba, Stefan Baral, Mwita Wambura and John Changalucha

Citation: BMC Public Health 2019 19:15

Published on: 5 January 2019

Research article

[Mental health workers perceptions of disaster response in China](#)

The post-disaster mental health crisis intervention (MHCI) system in China remains immature and unsystematic. We aim to report the perceptions of a large sample of MHCI workers and government administrators an...

Authors: Yingjun Xi, Runsen Chen, Amy L. Gillespie, Yuyang He, Chihua Jia, Kuo Shi, Yiming Yao, Xin Ma, Wei Liu and Emily Ying Yang Chan

Citation: BMC Public Health 2019 19:11

Published on: 3 January 2019

BMC Research Notes

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcresnotes/content>

(Accessed 5 Jan 2019)

[No new digest content identified]

BMJ Open

January 2019 - Volume 9 - 1

<http://bmjopen.bmj.com/content/current>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Bulletin of the World Health Organization

Volume 97, Number 1, January 2019, 1-72

<https://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/97/1/en/>

EDITORIALS

[New ethical challenges of digital technologies, machine learning and artificial intelligence in public health: a call for papers](#)

– Diana Zandi, Andreas Reis, Effy Vayena & Kenneth Goodman

<http://dx.doi.org/10.2471/BLT.18.227686>

RESEARCH

[Using the polio programme to deliver primary health care in Nigeria: implementation research](#)

– Samuel Bawa, Christine McNab, Loveday Nkwogu, Fiona Braka, Esther Obinya, Michael Galway, Andrew J Mirelman, Kulchumi Isa Hammanyero, Garba Safiyanu, Martin Chukwuji, Kennedy Ongwae, Pascal Mkanda, Melissa Corkum, Lea Hegg, Deanna Tollefson, Sani Umar, Sunday Audu, Hassan Gunda, Modu Chinta, Anne Eudes Jean Baptiste, Murtala Bagana & Faisal Shuaib

<http://dx.doi.org/10.2471/BLT.18.211565>

RESEARCH

[National age-of-consent laws and adolescent HIV testing in sub-Saharan Africa: a propensity-score matched study](#)

– Britt McKinnon & Ashley Vandermorris

<http://dx.doi.org/10.2471/BLT.18.212993>

Abstract

Objective

To estimate the association between legal age of consent and coverage of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) testing among adolescents in countries with high HIV-burden.

Methods

We analysed data from adolescents aged 15–18 years, who participated in Demographic and Health Surveys or AIDS Indicator Surveys between 2011 and 2016, in 15 sub-Saharan African countries. To improve balance in the distribution of measured individual- and country-level characteristics, we used propensity score matching between adolescents in countries with more versus less restrictive age-of-consent laws (≤ 15 years versus ≥ 16 years). We estimated the percentage of individuals who self-reported that they have done an HIV test in the past 12 months and compared the differences in such testing rates among adolescents exposed to lower versus higher age-of-consent laws. We also investigated effect modifications by sex and age.

Findings

Legal age of consent below 16 years was associated with an 11.0 percentage points higher coverage of HIV testing (95% confidence interval, CI: 7.2 to 14.8), corresponding to a rate ratio of 1.74 (95% CI: 1.35 to 2.13). HIV testing rate had a stronger association with lower age of consent among females than males. The testing rates differences were 14.0 percentage points (95% CI: 8.6 to 19.4) for females and 6.9 percentage points (95% CI: 1.6 to 12.2) for males (P-value for homogeneity = 0.07).

Conclusion

This study provides evidence to support the recent World Health Organization's recommendations that countries should examine current laws and address age-related barriers to uptake of sexual and reproductive health services.

Child Care, Health and Development

Volume 45, Issue 1 Pages: 1-145 January 2019

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/13652214/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Therapeutics

December 2018 Volume 40, Issue 12, p1957-2196

<http://www.clinicaltherapeutics.com/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Trials

Volume 15 Issue 6, December 2018

<http://journals.sagepub.com/toc/ctja/15/6>

[Reviewed earlier]

Conflict and Health

<http://www.conflictandhealth.com/>

[Accessed 5 Jan 2019]

[No new digest content identified]

Contemporary Clinical Trials

Volume 76 Pages 1-132 (January 2019)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/contemporary-clinical-trials/vol/76/suppl/C>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Current Opinion in Infectious Diseases

February 2019 - Volume 32 - Issue 1

<https://journals.lww.com/co-infectiousdiseases/pages/currenttoc.aspx>

HIV INFECTIONS AND AIDS

[Scaling up pre-exposure prophylaxis in sub-Saharan Africa](#)

Ahmed, Nadia; Pike, Carey; Bekker, Linda-Gail

Current Opinion in Infectious Diseases. 32(1):24-30, February 2019.

Developing World Bioethics

Volume 18, Issue 4 Pages: 307-432 December 2018

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14718847/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Development in Practice

Volume 29, Issue 1, 2019

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/cdip20/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Development Policy Review

Volume 37, Issue 1 Pages: i-iv, 1, 3-151 January 2019

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14677679/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Disability and Rehabilitation: Assistive Technology

Volume 13, Issue 8, 2018

<http://informahealthcare.com/toc/idt/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Disaster Medicine and Public Health Preparedness

Volume 12 - Issue 5 - October 2018

<https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/disaster-medicine-and-public-health-preparedness/latest-issue>

[Reviewed earlier]

Disasters

Volume 43, Issue 1 Pages: 1-217 January 2019
<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14677717/current>
[Reviewed earlier]

EMBO Reports

Volume 19, Number 12 01 December 2018
<http://embor.embopress.org/content/19/12?current-issue=y>
[New issue; No digest content identified]

Emergency Medicine Journal

<https://bmccemergmed.biomedcentral.com/articles>
[Accessed 5 Jan 2019]
[No new digest content identified]

Emerging Infectious Diseases

Volume 25, Number 1—January 2019
<http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/eid/>
[New issue; No digest content identified]

Epidemics

Volume 25 Pages 1-112 (December 2018)
<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/epidemics/vol/25/suppl/C>
[Reviewed earlier]

Epidemiology and Infection

Volume 146 - Issue 16 - December 2018
<https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/epidemiology-and-infection/latest-issue>
[Reviewed earlier]

Ethics & International Affairs

Winter 2018 (Issue 32.4) December 2018
<https://www.ethicsandinternationalaffairs.org/2018/winter-2018-issue-32-4/>
ESSAY

[The Universal Declaration of Human Rights at Seventy: Progress and Challenges](#) [Full text]

S. İlgu Ozler

Abstract

Now is a good time to take stock of the global progress made toward achieving the ideals enshrined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR), which was passed by the UN General Assembly seventy years ago. Though the UDHR has played a vital role in advancing human rights globally, threats to human rights are ever present. Two issues in particular stand out as barriers to further progress. The first is state sovereignty, which presents a fundamental challenge to any effort to establish universal norms. Without strong global institutional mechanisms to ensure implementation,

UDHR's impact remains limited. The second major concern is the "siloing" of human rights efforts, whereby civil and political rights have been given primacy over social and economic rights. Emphasis on some principles to the exclusion of others undermines the comprehensive advancement of human rights. The current state of affairs is a product of the collective failure to address human rights holistically and to implement real monitoring and accountability measures for states, which are directly charged with upholding them within their borders.

ROUNDTABLE: COMPETING VISIONS FOR CYBERSPACE

[Introduction](#) [Full text]

Duncan B. Hollis and Tim Maurer

[Ethical Dilemmas in Cyberspace](#)

Martha Finnemore

Abstract: This essay steps back from the more detailed regulatory discussions in other contributions to this roundtable on "Competing Visions for Cyberspace" and highlights three broad issues that raise ethical concerns about our activity online. First, the commodification of people—their identities, their data, their privacy—that lies at the heart of business models of many of the largest information and communication technologies companies risks instrumentalizing human beings. Second, concentrations of wealth and market power online may be contributing to economic inequalities and other forms of domination. Third, long-standing tensions between the security of states and the human security of people in those states have not been at all resolved online and deserve attention.

The European Journal of Public Health

Volume 28, Issue 6, December 2018

<https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/issue/28/6>

[Reviewed earlier]

Food Policy Volume 75

Volume 81 Pages 1-132 (December 2018)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/food-policy/vol/81/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

Food Security

December 2018, Issue 6, Pages 1297-1672

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12571/10/6/page/1>

Re-building food systems: Food and Nutritional Security in Europe and Food Policy

Original Paper

[Re-building food systems: embedding assemblages, infrastructures and reflexive governance for food systems transformations in Europe](#)

Terry Marsden, Paul Hebinck, Erik Mathijs

Original Paper

[Addressing food poverty in systems: governance of food assistance in three European countries](#)

Francesca Galli, Aniek Hebinck, Brídín Carroll

Review

[The impact of agricultural input subsidies on food and nutrition security: a systematic review](#)

Helen L. Walls, Deborah Johnston, Mehroosh Tak, Jane Dixon

Original Paper

[The Brazilian food security scale for indigenous Guarani households: Development and validation](#)

Ana Maria Segall-Corrêa, Leticia Marín-Leon, Marta Maria do Amaral Azevedo...

Forced Migration Review (FMR)

FMR 59 October 2018

<https://www.fmreview.org/GuidingPrinciples20/contents>

Twenty Years of the Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement

In the 20 years since they were launched, the Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement have been of assistance to many States responding to internal displacement, and have been incorporated into many national and regional policies and laws. However, the scale of internal displacement today remains vast, and the impact on those who are displaced is immense. This issue includes 19 articles on the main feature theme of Twenty Years of the Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement.

[Reviewed earlier]

Forum for Development Studies

Volume 45, Issue 3, 2018

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/sfds20/current>

Alternative Paradigms of Development in State Politics and Policy Making in the Global South

[Reviewed earlier]

Genocide Studies International

Volume 12 Issue 1, Spring 2018

<https://www.utpjournals.press/toc/gsi/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Genome Medicine

<https://genomemedicine.biomedcentral.com/articles>

[Accessed 5 Jan 2019]

[No new digest content identified]

Geoheritage

Volume 10, Issue 4, December 2018

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12371/10/4/page/1>

Special Issue: Geodiversity and Geoheritage: Crossing Disciplines and Approaches

...This issue of *Geoheritage* comprises nine papers presented at the session “Geoheritage and Geodiversity Matter: Themes, Links and Interactions” held in Vienna in April 2016 at the European Geosciences Union General Assembly. The papers focus on current methods of research and debates on geodiversity and geoheritage in international as well as national scientific circles, from the global to the local scale...

Global Health Action

Volume 11, 2018 – Issue 1

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/zgha20/11/1?nav=tocList>

[Reviewed earlier]

Global Health: Science and Practice (GHSP)

Vol. 6, No. 4 December 27, 2018

<http://www.ghspjournal.org/content/current>

VIEWPOINTS

Open Access

[Regaining Momentum in Family Planning](#)

Jose G. Rimon and Amy O. Tsui

Global Health: Science and Practice December 2018, 6(4):626-628; <https://doi.org/10.9745/GHSP-D-18-00483>

Since the launch of the Family Planning 2020 initiative 5 years ago, 46 million more clients in the 69 poorest countries are using modern contraception—a tremendous accomplishment, albeit behind schedule to reach the 2020 global goal of 120 million. Family planning continues to be innovative, and as reflected in the recent 2018 International Conference on Family Planning in Rwanda, there is a newfound momentum behind the movement and a new generation of young leaders with powerful ideas, creativity, and passion who are stepping up to help propel family planning onward.

ORIGINAL ARTICLES

Open Access

[Antenatal Corticosteroids for Women at Risk of Imminent Preterm Birth in 7 sub-Saharan African Countries: A Policy and Implementation Landscape Analysis](#)

Dawn Greensides, Judith Robb-McCord, Angeline Noriega and James A. Litch

Global Health: Science and Practice December 2018, 6(4):644-656; <https://doi.org/10.9745/GHSP-D-18-00171>

Countries have put in place some elements necessary for safe and effective antenatal corticosteroid (ACS) use, but significant challenges remain including: ensuring accurate gestational age determination, establishing clear treatment guidelines, strengthening provider capacity, incorporating obstetric indications for ACS use in national essential medicines lists, and collecting and using ACS-related data in the HMIS. Most importantly, the quality of maternal and newborn care, including specialized newborn care, needs improvement to ensure a strong foundation for the safe and effective use of ACS.

COMMENTARIES

Open Access

[A Vaccine Against Cervical Cancer: Context for the Global Public Health Practitioner](#)

Mary Carol Jennings and Anagha Loharikar

Global Health: Science and Practice December 2018, 6(4):629-634; <https://doi.org/10.9745/GHSP-D-18-00222>

Many low- and middle-income countries are moving to introduce HPV vaccine into their national immunization programs. To improve coverage, equity, and sustainability, public health officials and practitioners can use planning and implementation lessons learned, including successful school-based delivery strategies, innovative approaches to reach out-of-school girls, best practices for communication and social mobilization, and integration of services to reduce delivery cost. Policy makers, donors, and global partners should continue to consider ways to drive down costs of vaccine procurement.

Global Public Health

Volume 14, 2019 Issue 2

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rgph20/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Globalization and Health

<http://www.globalizationandhealth.com/>

[Accessed 5 Jan 2019]

[No new digest content identified]

Health Affairs

Vol. 37 , No. 12 December 2018

<https://www.healthaffairs.org/toc/hlthaff/current>

Telehealth

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Health and Human Rights

Volume 20, Issue 2, December 2018

<https://www.hhrjournal.org/volume-20-issue-2-december-2018/>

Issue 20.2 features a special section: Special Section on Human Rights and the Social Determinants of Health and a General Papers section

[Reviewed earlier]

Health Economics, Policy and Law

Volume 14 - Issue 1 - January 2019

<https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/health-economics-policy-and-law/latest-issue>

[Reviewed earlier]

Health Equity

Volume 2, Issue 1 / December 2018

<https://www.liebertpub.com/toc/heq/2/1>

Original Article Open Access

[Adaptation, Implementation, and Evaluation of a Public Health Research Methods Training for Youth](#)

[Melody S. Goodman](#), [Ejiro Gbaje](#), [Sallie M. Yassin](#), [Janice Johnson Dias](#), [Keon Gilbert](#), and [Vetta Thompson](#)

Pages:349–355

Published Online:30 November 2018

<https://doi.org/10.1089/heq.2018.0077>

Narrative Review Open Access

[The Application of Medical Artificial Intelligence Technology in Rural Areas of Developing Countries](#)

[Jonathan Guo](#) and [Bin Li](#)

Pages:174–181

Published Online:1 August 2018

<https://doi.org/10.1089/heq.2018.0037>

Health Policy and Planning

Volume 33, Issue 9, 1 November 2018

<https://academic.oup.com/heapol/issue/33/9>

[Reviewed earlier]

Health Promotion International

Volume 34, Issue 1, February 2019

<https://academic.oup.com/heapro/issue>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Health Research Policy and Systems

<http://www.health-policy-systems.com/content>

[Accessed 5 Jan 2019]

[No new digest content identified]

Human Rights Quarterly

Volume 40, Number 4, November 2018

<http://muse.jhu.edu/issue/39375>

[Reviewed earlier]

Humanitarian Exchange Magazine

Number 73, October 2018

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Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh: the humanitarian response

More than 700,000 Rohingya refugees have arrived in Bangladesh since 25 August 2017 fleeing violence and persecution in Rakhine State, Myanmar. Over a million are sheltering in overcrowded camps without adequate assistance or protection. Stateless in Myanmar and denied refugee status in

Bangladesh, the Rohingya have few rights or freedoms. Monsoons and cyclones are causing landslides, destroying shelters and infrastructure and disrupting services.

This edition of Humanitarian Exchange focuses on the humanitarian response to the Rohingya crisis. In the lead article, [Mark Bowden](#) outlines the historical, local and national political context in Bangladesh, and its operational implications. [Amal de Chickera](#) highlights the links between statelessness and displacement, and the international community's failure to prioritise human rights in its dealings both with Bangladesh and with Myanmar. [Puttanee Kangkun and John Quinley](#) document the persistent persecution and denial of rights the Rohingya have faced for decades. [Jeff Crisp](#) reflects on the premature, involuntary and unsafe return of Rohingya refugees to Myanmar in the 1970s and 1990s, and asks whether this could happen again.

[Sally Shevach and colleagues](#) explore how the 'localisation' agenda has influenced the operational response, and [Kerrie Holloway](#) draws on research by the Humanitarian Policy Group to test the common assumption that local actors necessarily have a better understanding of people's needs. [Nasif Rashad Khan and colleagues](#) and [Ashish Banik](#) reflect on their experiences of engaging with the international humanitarian response system. [Margie Buchanan-Smith and Marian Casey-Maslen](#) discuss evaluation findings relating to communication and community engagement, a theme taken up by [Nick Van Praag and Kai Hopkins](#), who report on a Ground Truth survey on refugees' perceptions of assistance. [Julia Brothwell](#) discusses the British Red Cross/Bangladesh Red Crescent involvement in disaster preparedness and risk reduction during the monsoon season, and [Gina Bark, Kate White and Amelie Janon](#) outline the consequences of long-term exclusion from basic healthcare services in increasing vulnerability to preventable diseases. [Matthew Wencel and colleagues](#) round off the issue with reflections on data collection coordination and other challenges associated with monitoring large concentrations of refugees.

IDRiM Journal

Vol 8, No 1 (2018)

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Infectious Diseases of Poverty

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International Health

Volume 11, Issue 1, January 2019

<http://inthehealth.oxfordjournals.org/content/current>

EDITORIAL

[Challenges in the eradication of female genital mutilation/cutting](#)

Mary McCauley; Nynke van den Broek

International Health, Volume 11, Issue 1, 1 January 2019, Pages 1–4,

<https://doi.org/10.1093/inthealth/ihy082>

ORIGINAL ARTICLES

[Malnutrition surveillance among refugee children living in reception centres in Greece: a pilot study](#)

Maria G Grammatikopoulou; Xenophon Theodoridis; Dimitrios Poulimeneas; Maria I Maraki; Konstantinos Gkiouras ...

International Health, Volume 11, Issue 1, 1 January 2019, Pages 30–35,

<https://doi.org/10.1093/inthealth/ihy053>

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Volume 7 (2018): Issue 2 (Nov 2018)

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Vol 5, No 12 (2018) December 2018

<http://www.ijcmph.com/index.php/ijcmph/issue/view/45>

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International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction

Volume 32, Pages 1-124 (December 2018)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/international-journal-of-disaster-risk-reduction/vol/32/suppl/C>

Advancing Ecosystems and Disaster Risk Reduction in Policy, Planning, Implementation, and Management

Edited by Adam W. Whelchel, Fabrice Renaud, Karen Sudmeier-Rieu, Zita Sebesvari

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Volume 47, Issue 6, 1 December 2018

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Volume 25, Issue 2 2019

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rjhs20/current>

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International Journal of Human Rights in Healthcare

Volume 11 Issue 5 2018

<https://www.emeraldinsight.com/toc/ijhrh/11/5>

[Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Infectious Diseases

January 2019 Volume 78, p1-154 *Open Access*

[https://www.ijidonline.com/issue/S1201-9712\(18\)X0012-5](https://www.ijidonline.com/issue/S1201-9712(18)X0012-5)

Editorials

[Monkeypox — Enhancing public health preparedness for an emerging lethal human zoonotic epidemic threat in the wake of the smallpox post-eradication era](#)

Eskild Petersen, Ibrahim Abubakar, Chikwe Ihekweazu, David Heymann, Francine Ntoumi, Lucille Blumberg, Danny Asogun, Victor Mukonka, Swaib Abubaker Lule, Matthew Bates, Isobella Honeyborne, Sayoki Mfinanga, Peter Mwaba, Osman Dar, Francesco Vairo, Maowia Mukhtar, Richard Kock, Timothy D. McHugh, Giuseppe Ippolito, Alimuddin Zumla

p78–84

Published online: November 16, 2018

Original Reports

[Towards achieving the fast-track targets and ending the epidemic of HIV/AIDS in Ethiopia: Successes and challenges](#)

Yibeltal Assefa, Charles F. Gilks, Judith Dean, Betru Tekle, Meskele Lera, Taye Tolera Balcha, Yimam Getaneh, Wim Van Damme, Peter S. Hill

p57–64

Published online: October 31, 2018

[A hospital-associated measles outbreak in health workers in Beijing: Implications for measles elimination in China, 2018](#)

Jiye Fu, Chu Jiang, Juguang Wang, Run Cai, Wei Cheng, Lifei Shi, Fan Zhang, Zhilan Xu, Yan Xing

p85–92

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International Migration Review

Volume 52 Issue 4, December 2018

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Intervention – Journal of Mental Health and Psychological Support in Conflict Affected Areas

September-December 2018 Volume 16 | Issue 3 Page Nos. 197-295

<http://www.interventionjournal.org/currentissue.asp?sabs=n>

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November-December 2018 Volume: 40 Issue: 6
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December 25, 2018, Vol 320, No. 24, Pages 2499-2608
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JAMA Pediatrics

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JBI Database of Systematic Review and Implementation Reports

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<http://journals.lww.com/jbisrir/Pages/currenttoc.aspx>
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Journal of Adolescent Health

January 2019 Volume 64, Issue 1, p1-140
[https://www.jahonline.org/issue/S1054-139X\(17\)X0016-5](https://www.jahonline.org/issue/S1054-139X(17)X0016-5)

Editorials

[Adverse Childhood Experiences and Resilience: Implications for Marginalized and Vulnerable Young People](#)

Scott B. Harpin

p3–4 Published in issue: January 2019

Excerpt

This month's Journal of Adolescent Health features a fascinating and innovative study by epidemiologists Clements-Nolle and Waddington [1], examining the roles that resilience and youth assets play in mitigating emotional distress for youth in two U.S. juvenile corrections systems. This piece brings together an amalgam of youth development concepts in a manner that elegantly explains their positive power in the lives of marginalized youth. While significant findings of the protective buffering of resilience among teens are not new to adolescent research—as pointed out by the authors—the strength of these findings among a large sample of our most vulnerable adolescents is very important for those of us working with similar populations of young people. The unifying factor is how youth are getting through their days having lived through any number of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)...

Original Articles

[Adverse Childhood Experiences and Psychological Distress in Juvenile Offenders: The Protective Influence of Resilience and Youth Assets](#)

Kristen Clements-Nolle, Rachel Waddington

p49–55

Published in issue: January 2019

Our findings suggest that programs and policies that promote internal resilience and protective factors across multiple levels of influence may protect juvenile offenders exposed to childhood trauma from psychological distress.

Journal of Community Health

Volume 43, Issue 6, December 2018

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Journal of Cultural Heritage

Volume 34, Pages 1-302 (November–December 2018)

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Technoheritage 2017

Edited by Maria Mosquera, Patrizia Tomasin

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Cultural Heritage Management and Sustainable Development

2018: Volume 8 Issue 4

<https://www.emeraldinsight.com/toc/jchmsd/8/4>

Special Issue: Digital workflows for the conservation and sustainability of historic places

Editor(s): Laurie Smith and Mario Santana Quintero

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Journal of Development Economics

Volume 136 Pages 1-168 (January 2019)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-development-economics/vol/136/suppl/C>

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Journal of Empirical Research on Human Research Ethics

Volume 13 Issue 5, December 2018

<http://journals.sagepub.com/toc/jre/current>

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Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health

January 2019 - Volume 73 - 1

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Volume 11, Issue 4 Pages: 217-291 November 2018

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Journal of Global Ethics

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Special Issue: Reconciliation, Transitional and Indigenous Justice

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Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved (JHCPU)

Volume 29, Number 4, November 2018

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Journal of Human Trafficking

Volume 4, Issue 4, 2018

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/uhmt20/current>

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Journal of Humanitarian Logistics and Supply Chain Management

Volume 8 Issue 4 2018

<https://www.emeraldinsight.com/toc/jhlscm/8/4>

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Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health

Volume 20, Issue 6, December 2018

<https://link.springer.com/journal/10903/20/6/page/1>

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Journal of Immigrant & Refugee Studies

Volume 16, 2018_ Issue 4

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/wimm20/current>

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Journal of Infectious Diseases

Volume 217, Issue 11, 5 Jan 2019

<https://academic.oup.com/jid/issue/217/1>

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Journal of International Development

Volume 31, Issue 1 Pages: 1-116 January 2019

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/10991328/current>

Research Articles

[How Do High and Low Levels of Social Trust Affect the Long-run Performance of Poor Economies?](#)

[Erich Gundlach](#), [Gert Tinggaard Svendsen](#)

Pages: 3-21

First Published: 02 August 2018

[Dynamic Linkage Between Economic Growth and Human Development: Time Series Evidence from Nigeria](#)

[Sydney Chikalipah](#), [Godwin Okafor](#)

Pages: 22-38

First Published: 07 September 2018

Journal of Medical Ethics

January 2019 - Volume 45 - 1

<http://jme.bmj.com/content/current>

Original articles

[Uninformed refusals: objections to enrolment in clinical trials conducted under an Exception from Informed Consent for emergency research](#) (13 December, 2018) Free

[Victoria Vorholt](#), [Neal W Dickert](#)

Abstract

Clinical trials in emergency situations present unique challenges, because they involve enrolling individuals who lack capacity to consent in the context of acute illness or injury. The US Department of Health and Human Services and Food and Drug Administration regulations allowing an Exception from Informed Consent (EFIC) in these circumstances contain requirements for community consultation, public disclosure and restrictions on study risks and benefits. In this paper, we analyse an issue raised in the regulations that has received little attention or analysis but is ethically complex. This challenge is when to solicit and honour objections to EFIC trial enrolment, including from non-legally appointed representatives. We address novel questions involving whose objections should be honoured, what level of understanding is necessary for objections to be considered valid and how hard investigators should work to offer an opportunity to object. We present a set of criteria that provide conceptual and practical guidance. We argue that objections should be honoured if they undermine one of the key assumptions that allows for the permissibility of EFIC trials: that individuals would likely not object to enrolment based on their values or preferences. We then clarify the practical implications of this approach through examination of three cases of refusal in an EFIC study.

Extended essays

[Towards theoretically robust evidence on health equity: a systematic approach to contextualising equity-relevant randomised controlled trials](#) (13 December, 2018)

[Gry Wester](#), [Kristine Bærøe](#), [Ole Frithjof Norheim](#)

Abstract

Reducing inequalities in health and the determinants of health is a widely acknowledged health policy goal, and methods for measuring inequalities and inequities in health are well developed. Yet, the evidence base is weak for how to achieve these goals. There is a lack of high-quality randomised controlled trials (RCTs) reporting impact on the distribution of health and non-health benefits and lack of methodological rigour in how to design, power, measure, analyse and interpret distributional impact

in RCTs. Our overarching aim in this paper is to contribute to the emerging effort to improve transparency and coherence in the theoretical and conceptual basis for RCTs on effective interventions to reduce health inequity. We endeavour to achieve this aim by pursuing two more specific objectives. First, we propose an overview of three broader health equity frameworks and clarify their implications for the measurement of health inequality in RCTs. Second, we seek to clarify the relationship between theory and translational challenges that researchers would need to attend to, in order to ensure that equity-relevant RCTs are coherently grounded in theory.

Journal of Medical Internet Research

Vol 20, No 12 (2018): December

<https://www.jmir.org/2018/12>

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Journal of Operations Management

Volume 64 Pages 1-88 (November 2018)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-operations-management/vol/64/suppl/C>

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Journal of Patient-Centered Research and Reviews

Volume 5, Issue 4 (2018)

<https://digitalrepository.aurorahealthcare.org/jpcrr/>

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Journal of Pediatrics

January 2019 Volume 204, p1-330

<http://www.jpeds.com/current>

The Editors' Perspectives

[Migrant mothers and risks of developmental disabilities in their children](#)

Western Australia presents a unique opportunity to study a culturally diverse population of births. Over the last 3 decades there, just under 30% of children were born to mothers who themselves were foreign-born, while about 6% of deliveries were among Australian Indigenous women and two-thirds in Australian non-Indigenous mothers, as reported by Abdullahi et al in this volume of The Journal. The authors set out to explore whether children from foreign-born mothers have higher rates of intellectual disability, autism spectrum disorder, and cerebral palsy.

Paul G. Fisher

p2–3

Published in issue: January 2019

Journal of Pharmaceutical Policy and Practice

<https://joppp.biomedcentral.com/>

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Journal of Public Health Management & Practice

January/February 2019 - Volume 25 - Issue 1

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Research Reports

[Refugee Children's Participation in the Women, Infants, and Children Supplemental Nutrition \(WIC\) Program in Massachusetts, 1998-2010](#)

Smock, Laura; Nguyen, Thinh; Metallinos-Katsaras, Elizabeth; More

Journal of Public Health Management and Practice. 25(1):69-77, January/February 2019.

Journal of Public Health Policy

Volume 39, Issue 4, November 2018

<https://link.springer.com/journal/41271/39/4/page/1>

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Volume 25, Issue suppl_1, 1 May 2018

https://academic.oup.com/jtm/issue/25/suppl_1

Asian travel: from the rare to the difficult

[Reviewed earlier]

The Lancet

Jan 05, 2019 Volume 393 Number 10166 p1-102, e1-e2

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/issue/current>

Review

[Universal health coverage in Indonesia: concept, progress, and challenges](#)

Rina Agustina, Teguh Dartanto, Ratna Sitompul, Kun A Susiloretni, Suparmi, Endang L Achadi, Akmal Taher, Fadila Wirawan, Saleha Sungkar, Pratiwi Sudarmono, Anuraj H Shankar, Hasbullah Thabrany on behalf of the Indonesian Health Systems Group

Lancet Global Health

Jan 2019 Volume 7 Number 1 e1-e159

<http://www.thelancet.com/journals/langlo/issue/current>

Editorial

[Yemen needs a concrete plan—now](#)

The Lancet Global Health

[See Week in Review above for full text]

Comment

[Determinants of tuberculosis in Indigenous people worldwide](#)

Paulo Cesar Basta,
Paulo Victor de Sousa Viana

[Introducing the World Bank's 2018 Health Equity and Financial Protection Indicators database](#)

Adam Wagstaff, Patrick Eozenou, Sven Neelsen, Marc-Francois Smitz

Articles

[Global, regional, and national estimates of levels of preterm birth in 2014: a systematic review and modelling analysis](#)

Saifon Chawanpaiboon, Joshua P Vogel, Ann-Beth Moller, Pisake Lumbiganon, Max Petzold, Daniel Hogan, Sihem Landoulsi, Nampet Jampathong, Kiattisak Kongwattanakul, Malinee Laopaiboon, Cameron Lewis, Siwanon Rattanakanokchai, Ditzza N Teng, Jadsada Thinkhamrop, Kanokwaroon Watananirun, Jun Zhang, Wei Zhou, A Metin Gülmezoglu

[Global, regional, and national estimates of pneumonia morbidity and mortality in children younger than 5 years between 2000 and 2015: a systematic analysis](#)

David A McAllister, Li Liu, Ting Shi, Yue Chu, Craig Reed, John Burrows, Davies Adeloye, Igor Rudan, Robert E Black, Harry Campbell, Harish Nair

[Effect and cost-effectiveness of pneumococcal conjugate vaccination: a global modelling analysis](#)

Cynthia Chen, Francisco Cervero Licerias, Stefan Flasche, Sucitro Sidharta, Joanne Yoong, Neisha Sundaram, Mark Jit

[Proximate determinants of tuberculosis in Indigenous peoples worldwide: a systematic review](#)

Maxime Cormier, Kevin Schwartzman, Dieynaba S N'Diaye, Claire E Boone, Alexandre M dos Santos, Júlia Gaspar, Danielle Cazabon, Marzieh Ghiasi, Rebecca Kahn, Aashna Uppal, Martin Morris, Olivia Oxlade

[Independent and combined effects of improved water, sanitation, and hygiene, and improved complementary feeding, on child stunting and anaemia in rural Zimbabwe: a cluster-randomised trial](#)

Jean H Humphrey, Mduduzi N N Mbuya, Robert Ntozini, Lawrence H Moulton, Rebecca J Stoltzfus, Naume V Tavengwa, Kuda Mutasa, Florence Majo, Batsirai Mutasa, Goldberg Mangwadu, Cynthia M Chasokela, Ancikaria Chigumira, Bernard Chasekwa, Laura E Smith, James M Tielsch, Andrew D Jones, Ameer R Manges, John A Maluccio, Andrew J Prendergast for the Sanitation Hygiene Infant Nutrition Efficacy (SHINE) Trial Team

Lancet Infectious Diseases

Jan 2019 Volume 19 Number 1p1-112, e1-e38

<http://www.thelancet.com/journals/laninf/issue/current>

Comment

[Knowledge advances and gaps on the demand side of vaccination](#)

Sara Cooper, Joseph C Okeibunor, Alison Wiyeh, Charles S Wiysonge

Articles

[The potential effect of improved provision of rabies post-exposure prophylaxis in Gavi-eligible countries: a modelling study](#)

WHO Rabies Modelling Consortium

Open Access

Tens of thousands of people die from dog-mediated rabies annually. Deaths can be prevented through post-exposure prophylaxis for people who have been bitten, and the disease eliminated through dog vaccination. Current post-exposure prophylaxis use saves many lives, but availability remains poor in many rabies-endemic countries due to high costs, poor access, and supply.

Series

Terrorism and health

[Confronting the threat of bioterrorism: realities, challenges, and defensive strategies](#)

Manfred S Green, James LeDuc, Daniel Cohen, David R Franz

Personal View

[Deliberations of the Strategic Advisory Group of Experts on Immunization on the use of CYD-TDV dengue vaccine](#)

Annelies Wilder-Smith, Joachim Hombach, Neil Ferguson, Michael Selgelid, Kate O'Brien, Kirsten Vannice, Alan Barrett, Elizabeth Ferdinand, Stefan Flasche, Maria Guzman, Hillegonde Maria Novaes, Lee-Ching Ng, Peter G Smith, Piyanit Tharmaphornpilas, In-Kyu Yoon, Alejandro Cravioto, Jeremy Farrar, Terry M Nolan

Lancet Respiratory Medicine

Jan 2019 Volume 7 Number 1p1-98, e1

<http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanres/issue/current>

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Volume 22, Issue 12, December 2018

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Medical Decision Making (MDM)

Volume 39 Issue 1, January 2019

<http://mdm.sagepub.com/content/current>

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The Milbank Quarterly

A Multidisciplinary Journal of Population Health and Health Policy

Volume 96, Issue 4 Pages: 607-882 December 2018

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14680009/current>

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Volume 565 Issue 7737, 3 January 2019

http://www.nature.com/nature/current_issue.html

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Nature Medicine

Volume 24 Issue 12, December 2018

<https://www.nature.com/nm/volumes/24/issues/12>

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New England Journal of Medicine

January 3, 2019 Vol. 380 No. 1

<http://www.nejm.org/toc/nejm/medical-journal>

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December 27, 2018 Vol. 379 No. 26

<https://www.nejm.org/toc/nejm/379/26>

Perspective

[Ramping Up the Response to Ebola](#)

Jennifer B. Nuzzo, Dr.P.H.,

and Thomas V. Inglesby, M.D.

...Though there are clear signs that global preparedness for epidemics has been strengthened, efforts to contain the DRC outbreak have not been sufficient. Additional human and financial resources are needed to prevent this outbreak from becoming a major epidemic...

Perspective

[Pregnant Women and the Ebola Crisis](#)

Lisa B. Haddad, M.D., M.P.H.,

Denise J. Jamieson, M.D., M.P.H.,

and Sonja A. Rasmussen, M.D.

...Though data are limited, the available information regarding pregnancy during Ebola outbreaks provides a reason for concern. Women appear to have higher Ebola infection rates than men; perhaps they tend to become infected when caring for sick family members, or perhaps they have increased susceptibility. Although data from past outbreaks revealed a case-fatality rate among pregnant women as high as 90%, more recent data suggest that the risk of death among EVD-infected pregnant women might be similar to that among nonpregnant women.² Additional data are needed, however, to better characterize outcomes...

Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly

Volume 47 Issue 6, December 2018

<http://nvs.sagepub.com/content/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Oxford Monitor of Forced Migration

VOL. 7, NO. 1 (AUGUST 2017)

<https://www.facebook.com/OxMoFM/>

[Reviewed earlier]

Pediatrics

January 2019, VOLUME 143 / ISSUE 1

<http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/143/1?current-issue=y>

Articles

[An Educational Intervention to Improve HPV Vaccination: A Cluster Randomized Trial](#)

Brian E. Dixon, Gregory D. Zimet, Shan Xiao, Wanzhu Tu, Brianna Lindsay, Abby Church, Stephen M. Downs

Pediatrics Jan 2019, 143 (1) e20181457; DOI: 10.1542/peds.2018-1457

We examine the effect of a digital educational intervention linked to previous vaccine history on HPV vaccination decisions in urban pediatric settings.

Pharmaceutics

Volume 10, Issue 4 (December 2018)

<https://www.mdpi.com/1999-4923/10/4>

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PharmacoEconomics

Volume 36, Issue 12, December 2018

<https://link.springer.com/journal/40273/36/12/page/1>

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PLOS Currents: Disasters

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PLoS Currents: Outbreaks

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PLoS Neglected Tropical Diseases

<http://www.plosntds.org/>

(Accessed 5 Jan 2019)

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PLoS One

<http://www.plosone.org/>

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Research Article

[**Choosing important health outcomes for comparative effectiveness research: 4th annual update to a systematic review of core outcome sets for research**](#)

Elizabeth Gargon, Sarah L. Gorst, Nicola L. Harman, Valerie Smith, Karen Matvienko-Sikar, Paula R. Williamson

Research Article | published 28 Dec 2018 PLOS ONE

<https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0209869>

[**Assessing the sensitivity of the polio environmental surveillance system**](#)

The polio environmental surveillance (ES) system has been an incredible tool for advancing polio eradication efforts because of its ability to highlight the spatial and temporal extent of poliovirus circulation. While ES often outperforms, or is more sensitive than AFP surveillance, the sensitivity of the ES system has not been well characterized. Fundamental uncertainty of ES site sensitivity makes it difficult to interpret results from ES, particularly negative results.

Steve J. Kroiss, Maiwand Ahmadzai, Jamal Ahmed, Muhammad Masroor Alam, Guillaume Chabot-Couture, Michael Famulare, Abdirahman Mahamud, Kevin A. McCarthy, Laina D. Mercer, Salman Muhammad, Rana M. Safdar, Salmaan Sharif, Shahzad Shaukat, Hemant Shukla, Hil Lyons

Research Article | published 28 Dec 2018 PLOS ONE

<https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0208336>

[**Group flow: A scoping review of definitions, theoretical approaches, measures and findings**](#)

Fabian Pels, Jens Kleinert, Florian Mennigen

Research Article | published 31 Dec 2018 PLOS ONE

<https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0210117>

Many people enjoy the state of total immersion in a task accompanied by an optimal level of functioning, be it at work (e.g., [1]), in sports (for an overview, see [2]), in music (for an overview, see [3]), during leisure time (e.g., [4]) or potentially in any other imaginable context of our everyday life [5]. This state is referred to as flow. Flow is associated with a variety of positive outcomes, such as positive affect and enhanced performance (for an overview, see [6]). In the past decades, a multitude of studies has examined and established a concept of flow in individuals (which we refer to as individual flow) based on the initial work of Csikszentmihalyi [7]. Additionally, in recent years, there has been growing interest in flow that emerges during group situations. This kind of flow, henceforth referred to as group flow, has often been described in metaphorical terms [8], such as a state in which “things [in a group] are *clicking* or in *sync*” (p. 157) and wherein “everything [in the group] seems to come naturally” (p. 158) for example. However, as stated earlier by Nakamura and Csikszentmihalyi [9], there is not yet a clear and consistent concept for group flow. Therefore, the overall purpose of

the present paper is to systematically review the recent literature on group flow in order to pave the way for a more common understanding and examination of group flow in the future..

[Psychosocial health of asylum seeking women living in state-provided accommodation in Germany during pregnancy and early motherhood: A case study exploring the role of social determinants of health](#)

Sandra Claudia Gewalt, Sarah Berger, Sandra Ziegler, Joachim Szecsenyi, Kayvan Bozorgmehr
Research Article | published 28 Dec 2018 PLOS ONE
<https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0208007>

[Older adults with disability in extreme poverty in Peru: How is their access to health care?](#)

Oscar Flores-Flores, Ruth Bell, Rodney Reynolds, Antonio Bernabé-Ortiz
Research Article | published 26 Dec 2018 PLOS ONE
<https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0208441>

PNAS - Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America

<http://www.pnas.org/content/early/>
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Prehospital & Disaster Medicine

Volume 33 - Issue 6 - December 2018
<https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/prehospital-and-disaster-medicine/latest-issue>
[Reviewed earlier]

Preventive Medicine

Volume 118 Pages 1-354 (January 2019)
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From Local Action to National Progress on 5 Major Health Challenges: The Bloomberg American Health Initiative

Guest Editor: Joshua M. Sharfstein, Jessica Leighton, Alfred Sommer and Ellen J. MacKenzie
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Qualitative Health Research

Volume 29 Issue 2, January 2019
<http://qhr.sagepub.com/content/current>
Research Articles

[Engaging a Community Leader to Enhance Preparation for In-Depth Interviews With Community Members](#)

Manuel E. Jimenez, Shawna V. Hudson, Daniel Lima, Benjamin F. Crabtree

First Published August 12, 2018; pp. 270–278

Preview

In-depth interviews allow for rich exploration of stakeholders' experiences. Preparation for in-depth interviews generally consists of literature reviews and researchers' review of their own culture and understanding of a topic. We supplemented these strategies with serial "ethnographic interviews" with a single community leader to enhance our preparation for community-based in-depth interviews with Latina, immigrant, Spanish-speaking mothers and to facilitate stakeholder engagement in a research project. After an extensive literature review, we conducted a series of four 1-hour interviews with a key informant in preparation for individual in-depth interviews with 12 parents. The ethnographic interviews with the community leader provided insight into environmental context, cultural categories, and stakeholder priorities, which helped shape the research question, in-depth interview guide, sampling strategy, and interpretive analytic process. We found that ethnographic interviews can provide critical insights for preparing in-depth interview guides and can enhance the information gained while facilitating meaningful stakeholder engagement.

Research Articles

["We Don't Want to Live Like This": The Lived Experience of Dislocation, Poor Health, and Homelessness for Western Australian Aboriginal People](#)

Robyn Martin, Christina Fernandes, Cheryl Taylor, Amanda Crow, Desmond Headland, Nicola Shaw, Simone Zammit

First Published September 10, 2018; pp. 159–172

[Social Resilience and Mental Health Among Eritrean Asylum-Seekers in Switzerland](#)

Sabra Melamed, Afona Chernet, Niklaus D. Labhardt, Nicole Probst-Hensch, Constanze Pfeiffer

First Published September 15, 2018; pp. 222–236

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Volume 37, Issue 4, December 2018

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Volume 11, 2018

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Science

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<http://www.sciencemag.org/current.dtl>

In Depth

[The world debates open-access mandates](#)

By Tania Rabesandratana

Science 04 Jan 2019 : 11-12 Full Access

Spurred by European funders behind Plan S, many countries consider similar moves.

Summary

In the wake of China's expressing strong support in December 2018 for Plan S, the Europe-backed program to mandate immediate open access to scientific literature, researchers wonder how far the plan will spread. The program has drawn support from many scientists but concerns from others, and from publishers (including AAAS, publisher of Science). Science looks at which countries' funders are likely to join and which aren't, and whether Plan S is poised to shake up scientific publishing or remain a project that applies to only a small fraction of the world's scientific papers

Policy Forum

[From voluntary commitments to ocean sustainability](#)

By Barbara Neumann, Sebastian Unger

Science04 Jan 2019 : 35-36 Restricted Access

A common pledge and review system is needed

Summary

Voluntary commitments by states, governmental or nongovernmental organizations, and other actors, aiming to deliver outcome-oriented activities, have become a well-recognized mechanism in international sustainability policy (1–3). For ocean governance, the calling for and pledging of voluntary commitments could become a game changer, with two major international processes harnessing such voluntary contributions in recent years: the Our Ocean conferences, an annual high-level series initiated by U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry in 2014, and the United Nations (UN) Ocean Conference, which took place for the first time in June 2017. Such calls and commitments provide opportunities to raise awareness, promote engagement, and catalyze political will for action on the part of states as well as public and private sectors. However, without effective and transparent review systems, it is difficult to link pledged commitments to actual implementation. Quality control and ensuring that commitments are effective and impactful will be difficult to achieve. A uniform global process is required to register and assess commitments, including consistent reporting and monitoring systems with clear targets, baselines, and review systems.

Social Science & Medicine

Volume 220 Pages 1-450 (January 2019)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/social-science-and-medicine/vol/220/suppl/C>

Research article Full text access

[Community hygiene norm violators are consistently stigmatized: Evidence from four global sites and implications for sanitation interventions](#)

Alexandra Brewis, Amber Wutich, Margaret V. du Bray, Jonathan Maupin, ... Matthew M. Gervais
Pages 12-21

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[Resilience capacities of health systems: Accommodating the needs of Palestinian refugees from Syria](#)

M. Alameddine, Fouad M. Fouad, K. Diaconu, Z. Jamal, ... A. Ager
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[Aging well in an aging world: The impact of material conditions, culture, and societal disruptions](#)

Lindsey Peterson, Margaret Ralston
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[Perspectives on female genital cutting among immigrant women and men in Boston](#)

S. Shahawy, H. Amanuel, N.M. Nour

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Stability: International Journal of Security & Development

<http://www.stabilityjournal.org/articles>

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Stanford Social Innovation Review

Fall 2018 Volume 16, Number 4

https://ssir.org/issue/fall_2018

All too often nonprofit organizations think that communications is simply about getting your message out. But to do that effectively you need to understand what shapes people's feelings and values. And for that you need to understand social science, which is the subject of "[The Science of What Makes People Care](#)," the cover story in the Fall 2018 issue of *Stanford Social Innovation Review*.

Philanthropy & Funding

Sustainability

Volume 10, Issue 11 (November 2018)

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Torture Journal

Volume 28 - Issue No.3

<https://irct.org/publications/torture-journal/141>

Special section: Sexual, gender-based and genderized torture

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Trauma, Violence, & Abuse

Volume 20 Issue 1, January 2019

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Review Manuscripts

[Effects of Interviewer Support on Children's Memory and Suggestibility: Systematic Review and Meta-Analyses of Experimental Research](#)

Karen J. Saywitz, Christine R. Wells, Rakel P. Larson, Sue D. Hobbs
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[The Impacts of Internal Migration on Child Victimization in China: A Meta-Analysis](#)

Qiqi Chen, Xiaoyue Sun, Qianwen Xie, Jia Li, Ko Ling Chan
First Published December 27, 2016; pp. 40–50

Travel Medicine and Infectious Diseases

Volume 26 Pages 1-78 (November–December 2018)
<http://www.travelmedicinejournal.com/>
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Tropical Medicine & International Health

Volume 23, Issue 12 Pages: i-iv, 1281-1407 December 2018
<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/13653156/current>
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UN Chronicle

Vol. LV Nos. 3 & 4 2018 December 2018

[New Technologies: Where to?](#)

This issue focuses on new technologies and their potential benefits for humanity as well as their expanding use in advancing the 2030 Agenda. It explores the promise of our digital age, while posing important questions about where these technologies are leading us, and how their misuse could also lead to increased inequality and conflict.

Vulnerable Children and Youth Studies

An International Interdisciplinary Journal for Research, Policy and Care
Volume 13, Issue 4, 2018
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World Heritage Review

<http://whc.unesco.org/en/review/84/>
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[World Heritage and Wetlands](#)

Wetlands are an essential, but often overlooked, aspect of our natural environment. They are vital sources of biodiversity and take many different forms – from lakes, rivers and swamps, to deltas and tidal flats, mangroves and coral reefs. Wetlands are found nearly everywhere, are essential to the survival of countless species of plants and animals, and are therefore crucial for human survival too, as water is the essence of life.

For this issue of World Heritage, we have collaborated with our friends at the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands, which recognizes and helps protect wetland sites of international importance. Over 100 World Heritage properties are also designated as Ramsar Sites, in whole or in part, and our two

Conventions work together closely. In an interview, Martha Rojas Urrego, Secretary General of the Ramsar Convention, describes how the two Conventions cooperate, discusses the role of wetlands in urban areas as they continue to grow, and addresses the challenge of preserving wetlands in cultural heritage places...

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