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Latest news from THET

Last chance to register for Shaping the Future: Growth, Impact and Innovation - UK Health Links Conference 2010

There are a few remaining places available to attend the 2010 UK Health Links Conference. For more information, to register and to download the agenda please click [here](#).

Latest news from THET

THET welcomes Professor Sir Andy Haines as our new Chairman

We are delighted to announce that Andy Haines started as THET Chairman at the end of September. Read the full press release [here](#).

International Health Links Funding Scheme

The third round of the IHLFS has opened for applications. The deadline for the third round of Project grant applications is **5:00pm on Friday, 31 December 2010**. Grants will be awarded from the beginning of April 2011. To find out more please read the full **press release**. Workshops will be held for interested and eligible applicants in the UK and overseas. For more information please click [here](#) or email healthlinks@britishcouncil.org

THET could help cover public sector pension contributions for Links volunteers

If your Links' UK volunteers have public sector pensions and are volunteering abroad for more than 6 months between April 2008 and March 2011, the employers' pension contributions may be covered. For more information please click [here](#) or if you think you are eligible, contact Rachel Schofield +44 (0) 207 290 3892 rach@thet.org.

Latest news for Health Links

Royal Society of Medicine (RSM) Elective Competition

The RSM will be holding a competition for medical students to be launched on 12th November, for which the students will need to submit an essay of 1,000 words about the work of Links and THET. The first prize will be £800 towards an elective programme and the RSM would like to hear from Links interested in hosting the winning student on elective for four to eight weeks. Students will generally want to be involved in a clinical, research or community health project, and it would be essential for your developing country partner to have sufficient capacity to supervise them. Ideally, the RSM would like to have a few projects that the competition winner can choose from according to their personal goals, so if you are interested in learning more about this opportunity please contact cath@thet.org.

Wales Africa Community Links - Media Guide 2010

A guide to utilising the media for Health Links has been created by Wales Africa Community Links and is available on the **Wales for Africa** website.

Health Links – Events and Activities

Nigeria: Partnership for Health II

6th November 2010

Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, London

The Public Health Foundation of Nigeria are hosting a conference in London to engage those working, or wishing to work, to improve the Nigerian health sector. The aims are to build enthusiasm and confidence in opportunities in the Nigerian health sector, learn from on-going collaborations, nurture new relationships and inspire action. To find out more and to register please click **here**.

Maternal and Child Health Workshop: Promoting MCH links between Northern England and Africa

Saturday November 6, 2010 10am – 4pm, Wythenshawe Hospital

For more details, download the **flyer**.

Resources for Links

THET staff have found the following reports and articles relating to training medical students in Africa interesting and informative:

Health workforce response to global health initiatives funding: a comparison of Malawi and Zambia

Profile and professional expectations of medical students in Mozambique: a longitudinal study

Vacancies

Health Links Programme Manager

THET seeks a Health Links Programme Manager to lead the implementation of THET's International Health Links programme. The successful applicant will have a commitment to THET's values and to health partnerships, be able to demonstrate leadership, management and diplomacy skills, an understanding of the NHS and UK health organisations, good interpersonal skills and the ability to respond flexibly in the context of working within a small organisation.

The position is full time and the salary will be approximately £28,000 – 30,000 p.a. For more information and how to apply please visit **www.thet.org/jobs**. The deadline for applications is 8th October.

Health System Capacity Building Manager (based in Hargeisa, Somaliland)

THET is looking for a Health System Capacity Building Manager to help build the capacity of the Somaliland Ministry of Health & Labour (MoHL) to supervise and monitor the quality of health care delivery in Somaliland; in particular to develop the MoHL's capacity to monitor the implementation of a pilot "essential package of health services" (EPHS) in a target area in Somaliland. The Health System Capacity Building Manager will lead the development of the Somalia EPHS policy document for a Somaliland context, supporting and training the management and supervisory teams at the Central and Regional Health Offices whilst working alongside and developing a positive relationship with staff of the EPHS implementing agency.

S/he will be based in Hargeisa, Somaliland. This is an 18 month fixed term contract, including accommodation, insurance, R&R, 25+8 days of holiday, annual flight and pre departure grants. The salary will be approximately £27,000 – £30,000. For more information and to apply please visit **www.thet.org/jobs**. The deadline for applications is 11th October.

Nursing & Midwifery Tutors (to be seconded to the Minister of Health in Zambia)

THET is looking to recruit volunteer Nursing and Midwifery Tutors who will be seconded to the Ministry of Health in Zambia. The successful applicants will be posted to a rural provincial Nursing and Midwifery school. He/she will be expected to teach as a member of a team within the framework of an established course whilst providing ongoing support to raise training standards in the rural provincial training institutions.

The post holder will receive a fixed departure grant to help cover relocation costs, as well as a monthly stipend to cover living expenses whilst in Zambia. To out more and apply please visit www.thet.org/jobs.

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