



2019 INTERHEALTH COMMITTEE ROLE DESCRIPTIONS

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Interhealth seeks to educate, inspire and empower students towards practical solutions to global health inequalities. Our wide-ranging projects deal with issues including poverty, refugee and asylum seeker health, climate change, education, gender equality and sexual health, HIV/AIDS, and maternal and infant health. The struggle for global health equality is an exciting, growing movement among Australian students – and we want you to join us!

Interhealth is currently looking for passionate students to join us in working towards social equity and the advancement of global health. Through Interhealth, you will have the opportunity to be involved in a vibrant committee, organise local and global projects, attend conferences and workshops, engage in education and training sessions and make a meaningful contribution to global health.

If you're interested in getting more than just a degree from your university experience, we strongly encourage you to apply!

Please see the following pages for detailed role descriptions. If you require any additional information regarding the responsibilities of the various committee roles, please email Jana Crous and Kate Mannolini at interhealth@wamss.org.au, or alternatively, contact the relevant 2018 committee members.

Application forms are available from the Interhealth website: www.interhealth.org.au. Please keep individual applications to a maximum of 2 pages and group applications to a maximum of 4 pages. Group applications (maximum 2 people) must be submitted as a combined application.

You are welcome to apply for multiple positions, provided you do so with separate applications.

Completed applications, in **Word** format, should be emailed to: interhealth@wamss.org.au. All applications are due at **11:59 pm on Sunday 25th November 2018**. No late applications will be accepted.

Applications for IIMC Coordinators and Interhealth subcommittees will open in early 2019.

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ELIGIBILITY AND REQUIREMENTS

All UWA students are eligible to apply for Interhealth committee and subcommittee positions. We welcome undergraduate students to apply.

Some committee roles require previous experience with the relevant project (please see role details below).

Students who are not currently WAMSS members will also be required to apply for a financial membership if they are appointed a role on the Interhealth committee.

INTERHEALTH ORGANISATION AND STRUCTURE

Interhealth is the global health initiative of the Western Australian Medical Student Society (WAMSS) and reports directly to them. Internally, Interhealth is run by passionate medical students studying at UWA. Their role is to assist with Interhealth’s daily activity, to educate and to advocate on specific Global Health issues.

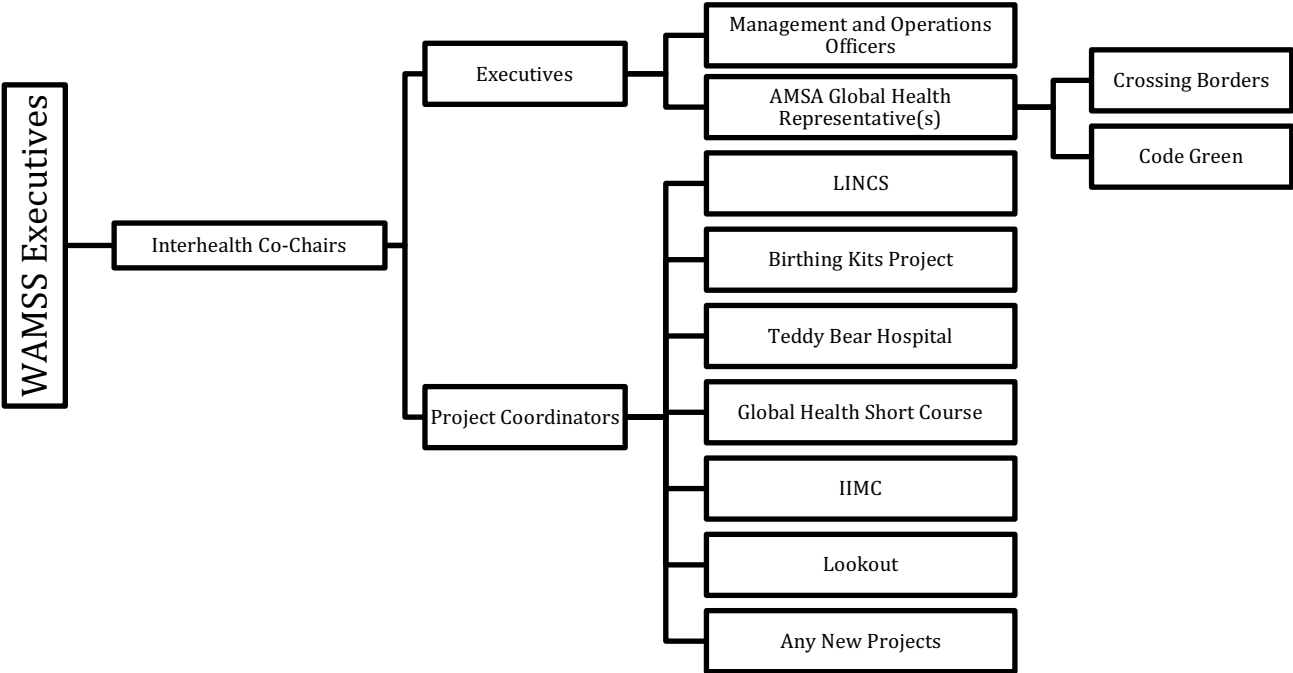


Figure 1: Relevant Structure of the Interhealth Organisation.

THE INTERHEALTH EXECUTIVE TEAM

Apart from the two chairs of Interhealth, the executive team also consists of the following positions. These roles are not directly involved in the projects that Interhealth oversees, but play a supporting role to the Coordinators of each project. Executive team member roles and expectations are detailed below.

Management and Operations Officers (2)

Management and Operations Officers sit on the Interhealth executive team, facilitating the running of Interhealth and all of the Interhealth projects.

Specific roles:

- Compile reports, write agendas and produce minutes for all meetings;
- General administration activities e.g. booking rooms for all meetings and organise food/drinks as required;
- Correspond with WAMSS Treasurer regarding Interhealth financing;
- Coordinate Interhealth's involvement at O-Day (in partnership with Co-Chairs);
- Produce/circulate promotional materials for Interhealth projects and events;
- Assist with Interhealth events, that may range from assisting with the logistics of Global Health Short Course to helping at Bunnings sausage sizzles; and
- Coordinate Interhealth's social media presence.

For more information, please email interhealth@wamss.org.au, or contact the 2018 Management and Operations Officers, Oliver Dearsley and Davide Tomassoni via management.interhealth@wamss.org.au.

AMSA Global Health Representatives (2)

The AMSA Global Health Representatives sit on the Interhealth Committee and act as the voice between Interhealth (and WAMSS) and the AMSA Global Health Committee. The AMSA Global Health committee is the peak representative body of medical students interested in global health and is responsible for networking, sharing ideas and projects, developing governing policies for AMSA and coordinating advocacy efforts and campaigns on global health issues. In 2019, the AMSA Global Health Representatives will also take on education and advocacy roles within the Interhealth committee and among UWA students.

Specific roles:

- Provide an effective communication link between the AMSA Global Health Committee and Interhealth, in particular regarding AMSA GH Projects (Crossing Borders for Health and Code Green);
- Represent Interhealth during monthly teleconference and biannual AMSA Global Health Council meetings (AMSA Council dates and locations for 2019 are to be advised);
- Organise UWA's delegation to the Global Health Conference and attend the conference if possible;
- Promote AMSA Global Health Committee events to UWA students;
- Educate the Interhealth committee on current AMSA Global Health policy and issues discussed at councils, through an initial training session and then through continued promotion;
- Provide a short educational session for the committee at each meeting, incorporating recent relevant global health issues;
- Run at least 2 AMSA Advocate training sessions and support advocates in contacting local MP's regarding 'AMSA's Asks' on refugee and asylum seeker health;
- Option to host "You Can't Ask That" (YCAT) panel event to generate discussion around issues faced by misunderstood and marginalised groups;
- Organise articles for the blog, and Facebook page to raise awareness of any current Global Health issues; and
- Assist with additional tasks of Interhealth, as required.

For more information, please email interhealth@wamss.org.au, or contact the 2018 AMSA Global Health Representatives Alison Wills and Tahlia Leggett via agh.interhealth@wamss.org.au and/or the 2018 Education and Advocacy Officers Jane Bromley and Shannen Oversby via education.interhealth@wamss.org.au.

PROJECT COORDINATORS

Interhealth oversees a large number of highly successful and ambitious projects on both a local and global scale. The Coordinators of each project sit on the Interhealth committee and are involved in the day-to-day activity of their projects. We would like to have two Coordinators per project and so encourage applications in pairs, however individual applications will also be accepted.

Crossing Borders for Health (CB4H) Coordinators (2)

Crossing Borders is an exciting Interhealth initiative that began in 2012. The project forms part of a larger international network of students whose mission is to remove barriers to healthcare for refugees, asylum seekers and undocumented migrants. Supported by the World Health Organization, CB4H is an initiative of the International Federation of Medical Students Associations and currently runs in six countries, including several universities in Australia under the AMSA Global Health - Crossing Borders for Health National Coordinators. Interhealth's CB4H project is partnered with the Fremantle Multicultural Centre (FMC). We are looking to continue student placements at PCH Refugee Centre and Ishar Women's Health Centre, which have been highly successful since their implementation.

Specific roles:

- Facilitate education of healthcare students in refugee and asylum seeker health issues;
- Encourage and be involved in advocacy for the rights of refugees and asylum seekers, and their health and wellbeing;
- Coordinate student placements at PMH Refugee Centre and Ishar Women's Health Centre;
- Organise training sessions for volunteers in collaboration with FMC or other organisations;
- Organise a health education event in conjunction with FMC or other organisations;
- Collaborate with the Global Health Short Course Coordinators in organising an educational seminar as part of GHSC;
- Work with the AMSA Global Health Crossing Borders for Health National Coordinator when required;
- Leading any other initiatives of your own to expand the positive impacts of CB4H in our community;
- Assist with additional tasks of the Interhealth committee as required; and
- Introduce the project at the Projects Night and be involved in selecting their own subcommittee members.

For further information, please email interhealth@wamss.org.au, or contact the 2018 CB4H Coordinators, Clare Bradley and Gemma Jongeling via crossingborders@wamss.org.au.

Code Green Coordinators (2)

The Code Green campaign began through a partnership between Australian Medical Student Association (AMSA) Think Tank and Doctors for the Environment Australia (DEA). Code Green aims to provide a platform from which medical students and doctors can educate, engage and inspire colleagues and the wider community to act now to prevent the worst health consequences of climate change. The role of the Code Green Coordinator is to educate and internally advocate to medical students on Environmental Health and broader environmental issues. Given that protecting public health is the duty of health professionals in society, we take the firm stance that health professionals can, should, and must take meaningful action on climate change.

Specific roles:

- Running educational sessions for medical students;
- Advising the Interhealth committee on how it could function in a more environmentally sustainable manner;
- Maintain Code Green's social media presence;
- Work with the AMSA Global Health Code Green National Coordinator when required;
- Leading any other initiatives of your own to expand the positive impacts of Code Green in our community;
- Assist with additional tasks of the Interhealth committee as required; and
- Introduce the project at the Projects Night and be involved in selecting their own subcommittee members.

For more information, please email interhealth@wamss.org.au, or contact the 2018 Code Green Coordinators, Jacinta Fong and Demi Vlachos via codegreen@wamss.org.au.

Local and International Needs Contribution Scheme (LINCS) Coordinators (2)

The Local and International Needs Contribution Scheme (LINCS) aims to match the surplus of unused medical supplies from WA with the needs of healthcare institutions in resource poor communities overseas. Medical students going on elective to developing countries serve as the ideal couriers. (Please note, you do not have to be an MD3 in 2019 to apply for this role.) Delivering these supplies not only benefits the recipients, but also helps to build goodwill between our students and their hosts.

Specific roles:

- Select and train a subcommittee to assist with running the project;
- Promote LINCS at Projects Night and Electives and Exchange Night;
- Organise fundraising activities;
- Source medical equipment in the form of unused supplies and purchased equipment for donation;
- Coordinate the transport of equipment with students going on electives;
- Collaborate with Vision (Notre Dame's Global Health Group) to select and organise a Notre Dame LINCS representative;
- Leading any other initiatives of your own to expand the positive impacts of LINCS in our community;
- Assist with additional tasks of the Interhealth committee as required; and
- Introduce the project at the Projects Night and be involved in selecting their own subcommittee members.

For more information, please email interhealth@wamss.org.au, or contact the 2018 LINCS Coordinators, Nishita Rao and Nishani Jayawardena via lincs@wamss.org.au.

Birthing Kits Coordinators (2)

The Birthing Kits initiative is a successful, gratifying and highly worthwhile project to be involved with. Through Birthing Kits Foundation Australia, we obtain supplies that are packaged into much needed 'Birthing Kits' by students before being sent off to rural/developing locations to dramatically improve maternal and infant health. 2018 has been a very successful year for Interhealth's Birthing Kits Project. Next year, we hope to further expand the Birthing Kits Initiative by engaging more students and thereby reaching more mothers around the world. This would include working with the Global Health Short Course (GHSC) Coordinators to further advocate and educate about women's and maternal health. 2019 will be a huge year for this project, and Interhealth is looking for inspired Coordinators to lead the rebranding of this project – from the previous name "ZONTA Birthing Kits" to a more appropriate title. The Interhealth Co-Chairs will work closely with the Coordinators to help and support you in making this exciting rebranding a reality!

In 2019, we will also be welcoming our second Interhealth affiliated UWA MD Scholarly Activity student Ivana Ng-D'Acunto. We look forward to Ivana working with our two Coordinators next year to lead us into a successful year for the Birthing Kits Project.

Specific Roles:

- Coordinate fundraising efforts to assist with purchasing the Birthing Kits supplies (e.g. previous Prohibition and Masquerade parties);
- Order required supplies;
- Organise at least one Birthing Kit Assembly workshop per semester;
- Organise an interactive and educational event that presents a varying degree of guest speakers and practical skills;
- Collaborate with the Global Health Short Course Coordinators to include Women's and Maternal Health as part of GHSC;
- Promote the project and engage as many students as possible to participate;
- Leading any other initiatives to expand the positive impacts of the Birthing Kits Project in our community; and
- Assist with additional tasks of the Interhealth committee as required; and
- Introduce the project at the Projects Night and be involved in selecting their own subcommittee members.

For more information, please email interhealth@wamss.org.au, or contact the 2018 ZONTA Birthing Kits Coordinators Jennifer Barton and Kahli Fraser via zonta@wamss.org.au.

Ivana Ng-D'Acunto can be contacted on 21486526@student.uwa.edu.au with any queries. The supervisors of the Scholarly Activity project can be contacted through exec@wamss.org.au.

Teddy Bear Hospital Coordinators (2)

Teddy Bear Hospital (TBH) is a community health project of Interhealth, with the aims of reducing young children's anxiety over medical treatment and promoting healthy lifestyle messages. This is achieved through mimicking a visit to the doctor, with the child's teddy as the patient, the child as the parent and the student as the doctor. Students involved with TBH also benefit from improved communication and consultation skills with children.

In 2018 TBH was a UWA MD Scholarly Activity, with Michael Hoskins' project to quantify the efficacy of the UWA TBH program in preparing medical student volunteers for paediatric clinical contact, and improve volunteers' confidence interacting with children. We look forward to the 2019 Coordinators utilising this valuable information in directing the future of the TBH program.

Coordinators of this project must have had previous involvement with TBH.

Specific roles:

- Organise and facilitate the training of new volunteers in the form of a training night(s) held at the beginning of first semester (and second semester if required);
- Promote TBH to medical students, particularly pre-clinical students, as well as UWA undergraduate students;
- Organise at least one rural trip during the year;
- Run a number of visits at community events and schools throughout the year;
- Hold paediatrics and child health educational events, potentially in collaboration with GHSC;
- Maintain relationships with existing sponsors, and seek new sponsors and/or grants for the program;
- Leading any other initiatives of your own to expand the positive impacts of TBH in the community;
- Assist with additional tasks of the Interhealth committee as required; and
- Help to introduce the project at the 2018 Interhealth Projects Night and be involved in selecting the TBH Subcommittee.

For more information, please email interhealth@wamss.org.au, or contact the 2018 Teddy Bear Hospital Coordinators Michael Hoskins, Cameron McAlpine and Elise Salleo via coordinators.tbh@wamss.org.au.

Global Health Short Course (GHSC) Coordinators (2)

Global Health Short Course (GHSC) is an award-winning student organised course designed to promote issues affecting the health of the world's population. Run over a few days, the short course is comprised of seminars and workshops that aim to present these issues in a clear, interactive and empowering manner.

We seek to take those who are curious and foster the development of their passion for global health. To do this we bring inspiring speakers who are world and local leaders, and are enthusiastic about their field, to deliver an engaging presentation. We endeavour to select topics that may be controversial or poorly understood whilst still ensuring that important global issues are addressed. Ultimately, we want to encourage our participants to engage with the content and explore how knowledge can translate to action.

The GHSC Coordinators will be involved in continuing a universal program that considers both health and non-health perspectives as well as promoting the project within other disciplines. In addition, the GHSC Coordinators will collaborate with other Interhealth projects (e.g. Red Party, Birthing Kits, Crossing Borders for Health, and Code Green) to provide an integrative platform which advocates for the relevant global health issues.

Specific roles:

- Continued development of the Short Course, further developing the integrated approach of GHSC in recent years;
- Collaborate with other Interhealth Coordinators in developing each of the nights;
- Promoting GHSC heavily to students (medical and non-medical) and community members;
- Selecting key topics for discussion;
- Sourcing and liaising with speakers;
- Finding volunteer, and other, organisations to run stalls, to raise awareness of their work and encourage participation in their work;
- Leading any other initiatives of your own to expand the positive impacts of GHSC in our community;
- Assist with additional tasks of the Interhealth committee as required; and
- Introduce the project at the Projects Night and be involved in selecting their own subcommittee members.

For more information, please email interhealth@wamss.org.au, or contact the 2018 GHSC Coordinators, Gary Lau and Dhanushke Fernando via ghsc.interhealth@wamss.org.au.

Institute for Indian Mother and Child (IIMC) Coordinators (2)

Interhealth has a longstanding relationship with IIMC, an NGO based in Kolkata, West Bengal, which was founded in 1989 by Dr Sujit Brahmochary. From its humble beginnings in a one-room shed, the IIMC initiative has expanded to a large rural outreach program addressing issues related to poverty, education, health worker training programs and female empowerment. The network of clinics it operates now sees up to 500 patients a day and is continuing to grow. IIMC Australia sends 12 students over the three summer months, with applications open to medical students all around the country. Once applicants are selected at a national level they are then mentored and prepared by the local representative for their overseas experience.

The Coordinators of the IIMC project must be a volunteer of IIMC in the summer of 2018/19.

Specific roles:

- Mentoring the 2019/2020 IIMC group to ensure volunteers are suitably prepared for their IIMC placement;
- Coordination and promotion of fundraising activities;
- Assisting with Dr Sujit's yearly visit to Australia;
- Undertake strategic planning for the future of IIMC at UWA;
- Assist with additional tasks of the Interhealth committee as required; and
- Introduce the project at the Projects Night and be involved in selecting their own subcommittee members.

Applications for 2019 IIMC Coordinator will open in early 2019.

For more information, please email interhealth@wamss.org.au, or contact the 2018 IIMC Coordinators, Jenna Beeton and Lauren Masi via iimc.interhealth@wamss.org.au.

Lookout Coordinators (2)

Lookout is WAMSS' charity arm and functions to provide opportunities for medical students at UWA to get involved in charity.

Specific roles:

- Selection of a suitable charity to support for 2019;
- Coordinating and undertaking ongoing fundraising throughout the year for the selected charity, which may include events such as Pancake Day, Scrubber Day and BedPush;
- Organising opportunities for students to volunteer with local organisations, such as Ronald McDonald House, Fair Game, Manna;
- Working closely with the Sports Representatives to organise and coordinate the WAMSS Relay for Life team;
- Coordinating the UWA WAMSS PROSH delegation;
- Leading any other initiatives of your own to expand the positive impacts of Lookout in our community;
- Assist with additional tasks of the Interhealth committee as required; and
- Introduce the project at the Projects Night and be involved in selecting their own subcommittee members.

For more information, please email interhealth@wamss.org.au, or contact the 2018 Lookout Coordinators, Jasmin Sekhon and Alma Corker via lookout@wamss.org.au

New Project Coordinator(s)

We invite all medical students interested in Global Health who would like to tackle a global health issue not currently addressed by Interhealth to apply to develop a new project in 2018. Applicants to New Project Coordinator are asked to complete the first AND second page of the Interhealth committee application form.

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