Dear Colleagues:

The IARTP application period has opened for 2024 training programs including the new program at Kenyatta National Hospital (KNH) INTEGRATE and Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI) Women and HIV. Letters of interest are due to the program by **24 July 2023**, with completed applications due by **1 October 2023.**

Please note, there are significant changes to our program for this application cycle. These include 1. both MPH programs are 1-year programs (a change for the WHIV program); 2. the KNH program has a new focus, listed below; and 3. there will be no advanced certificate program offered this year.

Program details are outlined below:

1. **INTEGRATE**
   Focused on integrating prevention and treatment of non-communicable diseases and HIV care through research training in Kenya with partners: KNH, University of Nairobi (UON), Institute of Tropical and Infectious Diseases (UNITID), and the National AIDS/STD Control Program (NASCOP). **Applicants must have an affiliation with KNH, UON, or NASCOP to be eligible**. This application is a call from **MPH applicants only**:

   - MPH Degree: 1-year MPH program in the Department of [Global Health](#) at University of Washington (UW), beginning September 2024 and completing MPH in August 2025. *Note: The INTEGRATE program has post-doc and PhD funding but those calls for applications will made separately.*

2. **Women and HIV**
   Focused on the translation of research into practice with partners: KEMRI and NASCOP. **Applicants must have an affiliation with KEMRI or NASCOP to be eligible.** This program has three tracks:

   - MPH Degree: 1-year MPH program in the Department of [Global Health](#) at University of Washington (UW), beginning September 2024 and completing MPH in August 2025. (Note this is a change from the 2-year MPH previously.)

   - PhD Degree: IARTP WHIV MPH graduates are eligible to apply for up to 2-years of support to complete the PhD program at UON. PhD is dependent on funding availability, successful progress, and approval of research plans.

All interested applicants must submit a letter of interest (no more than 1 page) addressed to Dr. Carey Farquhar by **24 July 2023**. Please send letters to iartp@uw.edu.

NOTE: If an applicant is interested in both training programs, two separate letters of interest must be sent.

The letter of interest should include:
- Candidate's name
- Specify program (KNH HIV INTEGRATE or KEMRI Women and HIV)
- Specify MPH or PhD (WHIV only)
- List current position and explanation of affiliation with corresponding partner institution (KNH, UON, NASCOP or KEMRI). If no direct affiliation, the letter should address how receiving IARTP training will directly contribute to building research capacity at KNH/UON/KEMRI/NASCOP.
- List all degree(s), course(s) of study, and institution(s)
- Names of UW and/or Kenyan collaborators currently working with the applicant
- Name of nominating faculty

Preliminary Review Process
1. Each candidate must be nominated by a core faculty member. After the candidate is nominated, the person must submit a letter of interest to Dr. Carey Farquhar to determine eligibility to receive an official IARTP application. Letter of interest is due **24 July 2023** (see letter guidelines above).

2. Eligible applicants must be interviewed by a core faculty member using the Candidate Evaluation form (attached). This must be filled out by the core faculty member and emailed directly to iartp@uw.edu by **24 July 2023**. **This is not a requirement for WHIV/PhD track applicants, who are required to only submit a letter of interest for the preliminary review.**

3. A UW faculty member must be identified and agree to mentor the scholar throughout the training program at the UW. The UW faculty member must be indicated on the Candidate Evaluation form.

Overview of the IARTP Application Process
1. After a preliminary review, IARTP will notify candidates if they are eligible to apply and send them applications directly.
2. The following materials must be submitted by the applicant no later than **1 October 2023**, for an IARTP application to be considered complete:
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1) **IARTP Application Form:** Complete and signed.
2) **Statement of Purpose**: Describe professional background, specific objectives for AIDS-related training, and AIDS-related career goals. Two pages maximum.
3) **Personal History Statement**: Describe how experiences in your personal history (e.g. family, education, culture, and socio-economic status) have influenced your intellectual development, interests, career plans, and goals. One page maximum.
4) **Curriculum Vitae**: Complete, up-to-date, and include a list of publications.
5) **Letters of Recommendation**: Three letters from individuals who can attest to the applicant's academic and professional capabilities; one from the UW faculty mentor; one from a senior investigator in the collaborative group; and a third letter from the applicant's academic or professional circle.
6) **Transcripts**: One set of official transcripts and Grade Point Average (GPA)/grade conversion guidance for all degrees, from all institutions of higher learning.
7) **Degree Statement**: One for each degree earned.

3. The IARTP Selection Committee will review complete application materials and make funding decisions. The selection committee will not review incomplete or late applications.

Key Due Dates
- 24 July 2023 –Letters of Interest and Candidate Evaluation Forms sent to iartp@uw.edu
- 1 October 2023 – IARTP application materials returned to iartp@uw.edu