

Questions	Developmental Core	BIG HART	Behavioral Innovations Core	Clinical and Comorbidity Research Core	Immunology, Retrovirology, and Cure Core	Implementation Science Core	Substance Use SWG	Health Access SWG
Currently has an Early Stage Investigator Group (ESIG) or Work in Progress (WIP) group	Yes	Yes	No, but soliciting applications.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Name of ESIG or WIP group	East and Southern Africa ESI Group	BIG HART 3.0 Fellows		Clinical Core Scientific Working Group Works-in-Progress (WIP)	Immunology, Retrovirology, and Cure Core ESI Group	Implementation Science Core ESI Mentorship Group	Substance Use SWG Works-in-Progress (WIP)	Health Access SWG Works-in-Progress (WIP)
Number of members	Approximately 8 – 14 members	10 members		Number of members varies, but typically includes approximately 15 faculty and ESI	Up to 10 members	Approximately 10 members	Approximately 12 participants	
Process for new members	Applications solicited annually (September). Candidates selected through nomination by CFAR faculty, and referrals are actively sought from CFAR faculty members working in the respective countries by emailing mentors and listservs of CFAR and specific research groups. General advertising by CFAR also aids in the referral process.	Applications solicited annually.		Open participation	Applications solicited annually. Potential participants submit an application describing their background, research idea, and target date of grant submission.	Applications solicited approximately once every two years. Potential participants submit an application describing their background, research idea, and target date of grant submission.	Open participation	Open participation
Primary objectives of group (e.g., peer mentorship, grant development, career development)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peer mentoring • Career development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exposure to HIV science • Mentoring • Networking 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peer mentoring on clinical research particularly for ESIs conducting research as part of the Clinical Core Comorbidity Research collaborations (CRCs) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peer mentoring • Career development • Grantsmanship training • Grant preparation • Gaining new technical knowledge 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Didactic implementation science (IS) training • Grantsmanship training • Grant development • Peer mentorship • Networking 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grant development • Manuscript development • Peer mentorship • Networking 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share projects related to Health Access • Manuscript development • Grant development • Peer mentorship • Networking
Focus, e.g. broad career development, or focus on particular field of inquiry	Broad focus	Focused on HIV science and indigenous ways of knowing		Broad focus, but predominantly research including study design, analytic methods, writing, and presentations	Topics focus on HIV cure, HIV comorbidities, HIV vaccine design for prevention and cure	Focused on IS grant development	Advancing research related to HIV and substance use (SU)	Advancing health equity related research
Career stage of targeted members, e.g. student, fellow, post-doc, early stage faculty	Targets postdocs and early-stage faculty (considering K awards or first R level)	Undergraduate and graduate students		Broad range of career stages targeted including graduate students, fellows, early-stage faculty members, etc.	Investigators who have not yet received an R01 with plans to submit for first NIH grant as an independent PI (not a training grant submission), OR investigators with an ongoing R01 who plan to prepare for renewal or a second R01 submission.	Early-stage faculty and post-docs	Emphasis is on students, fellows, and ESI, but inclusive of members at all career stages	All career stages
Which field / department / school are members drawn from?	Medicine and public health	All national CFAR institutions		Infectious Diseases, General Internal Medicine, Nursing, Epidemiology	Any, but participants must pursue a project including a bench-side laboratory component (either carried out by the PI themselves or a collaborator)	Global Health, Nursing, OBGYN, Fred Hutch, Medicine (AID), Epidemiology, and more	School of Public Health, Nursing, Infectious Diseases, General Internal Medicine (Addiction)	Social Work, Public Health, Medicine, Psychology, Nursing, community members
Frequency of meetings	Monthly via Zoom	Monthly seminars		Monthly or bimonthly on Thursday afternoons with some variation in schedule based on participant needs, including extra sessions before CROI.	Every 1-2 months for 1.5 – 2 hours (in-person or via Zoom)	Monthly via Zoom	Every other month	Every 1-3 months via Zoom
Time commitment	At least 1 year; may stay for an additional 1-3 years.	1 year		No minimum commitment	Approximately 18 months (flexible)	18 months with cohort, with optional continued engagement thereafter	No minimum commitment	No minimum commitment