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## **FAIMER® Offering \$30,000 Grants to Support Expansion of Community Health Projects That Work**

**PHILADELPHIA, PA** — The [Foundation for Advancement of International Medical Education and Research \(FAIMER®\)](#) announces the opening of its 2019 [Projects That Work](#) competition.

This annual international competition shines a spotlight on projects that have had a significant impact on the health of communities and education of health professionals. This year, for the first time, FAIMER is excited to offer five grants of up to \$30,000 each to help recipients expand their work.

Launched in 2013, Projects That Work has showcased more than 30 projects that have succeeded beyond initial implementation and had a significant impact on community health or health professions education over three or more years. “Projects are an important link between capacity building of health workers and impact on community health,” says William Burdick, M.D., FAIMER’s Vice President for Education. “Our Projects That Work competition highlights the teamwork, innovation, and evaluation that characterize the best of these.”

Past projects have focused on issues such as point-of-care diabetes testing in Cameroon, medical technology aimed at improving maternal and child health in India, hygiene and water sanitation projects in Rwanda, and malnutrition reduction field training in the Philippines, to name just a few. By providing the leaders of these projects with the opportunity to present their work to large audiences at the annual conference of [The Network: Towards Unity for Health \(TUFH\)](#), FAIMER also aims to serve the international health care community at large by broadly disseminating information about what works.

Applications for 2019 Projects That Work grants must be completed online at <https://faimer.fluidreview.com/res/p/projects-that-work/>. Funding decisions will be made by a distinguished panel of international reviewers with a wide variety of expertise in health professions education, and up to five projects will be selected to receive grants. The recipients will present their projects at the 2019 conference of The Network: TUFH, being held September 10-13, 2019, in Darwin, Australia.

For more information on the Projects That Work competition, visit <https://www.faimer.org/project-competitions/projects-that-work.html>.

### **About FAIMER**

FAIMER is a leader in improving world health. By creating educational opportunities, conducting research, and providing data resources, it serves international communities of educators, researchers, regulators, and policy makers—each a potential change agent for better health care. Through worldwide activities, FAIMER combines its own expertise with that of local experts to create meaningful and sustained improvements in the systems that produce health care providers and deliver health care.

FAIMER is a non-profit foundation of the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG®) with headquarters in Philadelphia in the United States. For more information, visit the FAIMER website at [www.faimer.org](http://www.faimer.org).

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