

A global campaign: **Child Healthcare Information for All**



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Children are dying for lack of knowledge

Health workers and citizens in low-income countries do not have access to relevant, reliable healthcare knowledge:

- **8 in 10** caregivers in developing countries do not know the two key symptoms of childhood pneumonia *
- **7 in 10** children with malaria treated at home are mismanaged*
- **4 in 10** mothers in India believed that they should *withhold* fluids if their baby develops diarrhoea*

Meeting the information needs of health workers and citizens is vital to reduce child mortality and morbidity.

CHIFA's vision

A world where every child, every parent and every health worker has access to the health information they need to protect their own health and the health of children for whom they are responsible.

*See www.hifa.org for details

“5.9 million children under the age of 5 died in 2015. More than half of these early child deaths are due to conditions that could be prevented or treated with access to simple, affordable interventions”

*World Health Organization,
January, 2016*

What is CHIFA?

CHIFA is a global campaign, professional network and discussion forum which links academic centres with grassroots health workers. The forum is facilitated by a unique process called Reader-Focused Moderation. This ensures maximum value for all members.

CHIFA addresses the information and learning needs of those responsible for the care of children in developing countries, including mothers, fathers and family caregivers as well as health workers. Its remit includes children's rights to health and healthcare, and the social determinants of health.

"I have benefited immensely from many of the items sent to me."

Isaac E Ocheke, Consultant Paediatrician, Jos University Teaching Hospital, Nigeria



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Why Should I Join

CHIFA members enjoy many benefits:

- Be part of a worldwide community (more than 3000 members from 140 countries) dedicated to meeting the information and learning needs of healthcare providers
- Find out about funding and training opportunities, useful websites, new publications
- Raise awareness about your organisation, activities, and services
- Share your experience and learn from others
- Make new contacts
- Collaborate to achieve common goals.



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"CHIFA is a great forum for reaching health professionals rapidly [...] It is easy to interject and point health workers to correct information, e.g. on quality of care, obesity, child development. I still keep using CHIFA, and its stimulating discussions."

Dr. Elizabeth Mason, Former Director of WHO's Department of Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health



How do I join?

CHIFA is free and open to anyone with an interest in child health.

Send your name, organisation and brief description of professional interests to:
chifa@dgroups.org

"This type of engagement and discussion is absolutely critical."

*Jonathan Spector,
Doctors Without Borders*



CHIFA is part of **HIFA Global Networks**, which include HIFA (Healthcare Information For All), HIFA-Portuguese and HIFA-French (both in collaboration with WHO), and HIFA-Zambia (in collaboration with Zambia UK Health Workforce Alliance). Together we are working for a future where every person will have access to evidence-informed health care.

CHIFA is administered by the Global Healthcare Information Network, the International Child Health Group of the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health, and the International Society for Social Pediatrics and Child Health.

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