





KCGH, NSGH & OIGT

The Netherlands' Society for Global Health (NSGH), the Training Institute Global Health and Tropical Medicine (OIGT), and the Knowledge Centre Global Health (KCGH) have once again teamed up to create this joint newsletter, a unified source of updates, activities, and opportunities in global health.

Through symposia, e-learnings, and key events, we aim to foster knowledge exchange and collaboration on pressing global health challenges. Stay informed about upcoming highlights, including our Fall Symposium on 20 November.

Keep an eye on our agenda and newsletter for ways to engage with the latest discussions and initiatives in global health.

If you would like to contribute to this newsletter, please contact communicatie@kcgh.nl.

News

The Netherlands Society for Global Health (NSGH), together with a growing number of medical associations, has taken the initiative to raise its voice against the continued attacks on healthcare in Gaza.

Hospitals are being targeted, healthcare workers are being killed, and medical assistance is systematically blocked — clear violations of international humanitarian law. **NSGH and co**signatories are calling on the Dutch government to:

- Publicly hold the Israeli government accountable
- Impose sanctions until the violations cease
- Defend humanitarian principles in
- the EU and UN - Consistently condemn breaches of international humanitarian law to
- prevent the erosion of legal norms. Want to co-sign this call as an organisation? <u>Do so here</u>.

Or add your name personally via this link.

Solidarity **Statement:** Healthcare **Professionals Speak Out on Gaza**

Oproep aan het kabinet Zorgverleners en patiënten zijn geen doelwit! Sinds de oprichting van het Rode Kruis in 1864 is het een grondbeginsel in gewapende conflicten: artsen, verpleegkundigen, ziekenhuizen en patiënten worden beschermd. Zij vormen geen militair doelwit, maar een veilige haven voor wie gewond, ziek of kwetsbaar is. Deze bescherming is vastgelegd in de Geneefse Conventies en vormt een fundament van het internationaal humanitair recht. In Gaza wordt dit recht op grove wijze geschonden. Het Israëlische leger heeft herhaaldelijk ziekenhuizen gebombardeerd, medische infrastructuur vernietigd en zorgverleners gedood of gevangengezet. Onze collega, dr. Adnan Al-Bursch (1974 – 2024), orthopeed in het Al-Shifa-ziekenhuis, is in Israëlische gevangenschap doodgemarteld. Inmiddels zijn er honderden zorgverleners gedood. Dit zijn geen incidenten – dit is systematisch geweld Daarnaast blokkeert Israël sinds 2 maart 2025 de toegang tot medicijnen, voedsel, water en hulpgoederen. Het onthouden van levensreddende hulp als oorlogswapen is een ernstige schending van het oorlogsrecht en veroorzaakt onnodig lijden en vermijdbare sterfte onder burgers en ontneemt hen hun menselijke waardigheid.

See the most up-to-date list of signatories — now including 27 organisations and over 400 individuals.

Please read, sign, and share widely within your networks.

In 2025, the Knowledge Centre Global Health (KCGH) once again puts young researchers in the spotlight with the annual Thesis/PhD Prize. This initiative reflects our mission to encourage bold and innovative research in the field of global health and to support new voices shaping the future of healthcare worldwide. Have you recently completed a thesis

or dissertation on global health in the

Netherlands or the Caribbean part of

the Kingdom? Or do you supervise

students who have? Encourage them to apply! Submissions are welcome until 1 October 2025 via info@kcgh.nl. The jury will assess submissions on

innovation, relevance and impact. Key dates: **Submission deadline**: 1 October

2025 Review period: October-

November 2025

Y Awards: Announced at the KCGH Symposium on 20 November 2025

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Courses & Events

Upcoming Webinar: PLASTIC Sep 23

Following the success of the previous **Zorg voor**

Klimaat PLASTIC webinar, we are pleased to announce a second edition this autumn. Join us for an informative evening that focuses on the intersection of plastic use and health. Prof. Dr. Juliette Legler will present the latest research findings on microplastics and health from

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the ZonMw research programme. Illaa Smesseim will explore the **environmental impact of reusable** versus disposable bronchoscopes through a life cycle analysis: which option is better? Finally, **Talitha** Hoppe will provide practical tools for reducing plastic use in hospital settings. **Time**: 19:30-21:30 **Accreditation**: Application in progress

Rounds by OIGT | Every Wednesday, 12:00-13:00 CET Looking for a midweek dose of knowledge or inspiration? Join the Global Health Rounds by

OIGT - a weekly online lunch session diving

Weekly Global Health

into current and diverse topics in global health. Moreover, these sessions are accredited! Recent sessions have covered subjects like cholera outbreak control, sickle cell disease in children and pregnancy, and the impact of social determinants on

health. Many more fascinating topics are still to come! **When**: Every Wednesday, 12:00–13:00 **Where**: Join via **Zoom** (we use the same link every week)

OIGT LinkedIn page for weekly updates. Grab your lunch, tune in, and stay connected to the latest in global health!

Want to know what's next? Keep an eye on the

More info &

registration

September! In March, another edition of the Emergency **Triage Assessment and Treatment (ETAT)**

training took place: three intensive days of

Successful ETAT Training in

March - New Opportunity in

learning, practising and collaboration. Thanks to a comprehensive e-learning module, participants came well prepared. The focus was firmly on practice, with realistic scenarios, interactive sessions, and plenty of room for feedback. In small groups, participants worked hands-on to recognise and treat severely ill children — a crucial skillset for anyone working in acute paediatrics.

Interested in strengthening your own knowledge and skills? The next ETAT training will take place from

17 to 19 September 2025. Mark your calendar or register via <u>cursusdagen@oigt.nl</u>.

Mark your calendars for the coming events (more details follow soon):

Save the date

• ECTMIH2025 | Sep 29 - Oct 2 • Symposium Healthcare for Newcomers | Oct 7

• Dutch Global Health Film Festival | Sep 9

- NSGH/KCGH/OIGT Fall Symposium | Nov 20 Curious about more **international events**? Check
- the **NSGH** agenda.

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