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AFROHUN WORK IN TANZANIA

A student engages a woman and her son during a communicable diseases course field training in Kilosa district, tanzania@afrohun.org or secretariat@afrohun.org

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AFROHUN Network

Africa One Health University Network (AFROHUN) is an international network, currently in 29 higher education institutions of public health, veterinary medicine/sciences, pathobiology, environmental sciences, medicine and global health, in 10 countries in Africa. The countries are Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of Congo, Ethiopia, Kenya, Liberia, Rwanda, Senegal, Tanzania and Uganda.

AFROHUN is working to transform the training environment and approaches in universities and allied institutions in Africa, to develop a One Health workforce: a workforce with competency to work across disciplinary boundaries. AFROHUN is building a workforce with competency to predict, detect and respond to the kind of complex health challenges we are increasingly witnessing today. To achieve this transformation, we are reviewing curricula, designing new and exciting experiential learning multidisciplinary training programs, re-tooling teachers and trainers, educating communities on complex health challenges, while engaging national and sub-national governments to domesticate and integrate One Health into national policy and strategic planning.

The Guest of Honour at the launch of the Tanzania One Health Desk in the Office of the Prime Minister, Hon. Kassim Majaliwa, Prime Minister of the United Republic of Tanzania listening to a description of AFROHUN.

Our Work in Tanzania

AFROHUN Tanzania, registered as an NGO in 2022, collaborates closely with its two founding member institutions: Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences (MUHAS) and Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA). Additionally, it partners with several other universities, including Kilimanjaro Christian Medical University College (KCMUCo), the Catholic University of Health and Allied Sciences (CUHAS-Bugando), the University of Dodoma (UDOM), Mbeya College of Health and Allied Sciences (a constituent college of UDSM), Hubert Kairuki Memorial University (HKMU), the State University of Zanzibar (SUZA), Ardhi University (AU), and the Nelson Mandela African Institute of Science and Technology (NM-AIST).

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Our Impact

AFROHUN Tanzania collaborates with international and national organizations such as the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the World Health Organization (WHO), and the Ifakara Health Institute. The organization has expanded its One Health (OH) workforce training to include diploma and certificate programs, equipping graduates to serve as grassroots extension workers and first responders to community emergencies.

Engaging the government at all levels, from the Prime Minister's Office to sub-national authorities, AFROHUN Tanzania ensures active collaboration with communities and other stakeholders operating within the One Health ecosystem. Its efforts aim to strengthen workforce capacity, promote cross-sectoral partnerships, and advance the One Health agenda in Tanzania.

AFROHUN Tanzania has trained more than 1,000 preservice and in-service personnel in One Health approaches through integrating One Health content into existing curricula, Designed and implemented a fee-based CPD course for in-service professionals, accredited by professional associations.

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Our Impact



Trained 30 (14 female, 16 male) faculty from diploma and certificate level colleges in Tanzania thereby developing their capacity to deliver OH integrated curricula to their students. These TOT training at grassroots levels in the diploma and certificate colleges ensured equal balance between the sexes, These colleges train students in livestock, human health and allied sciences, pharmacy, and marine health.



AFROHUN Tanzania supports Student One Health Innovation Clubs in 9 public and private universities across Tanzania to raise awareness about emerging and reemerging infectious diseases particularly zoonotic, One Health approach to complex health threats, environmental sanitation and Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR).



A group of students going through their data collection tools during a communicable diseases course field training in Kilosa district.

Our Impact



AFROHUN Tanzania successfully vaccinated over 10,000 pets against rabies through community engagement and risk communication campaigns, utilizing a student field learning and service model. These campaigns were conducted at different times across Kilosa, Kilimanjaro, and Kisarawe districts, demonstrating the effectiveness of short, intensive interventions lasting less than a week.



In this model, undergraduate students from Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences (MUHAS) and Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA) collaborate to maximize impact. SUA students, leveraging their expertise in animal handling and vaccination, are responsible for administering the rabies vaccine, while MUHAS students, trained in Risk Communication and Community Engagement (RCCE), mobilize dog owners, register pets for vaccination, and educate the community on the importance of rabies prevention.



The success of these campaigns was significantly enhanced by the strong collaboration with FAO and WHO, whose support was instrumental in ensuring effective implementation and outreach.

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