



DOMINIQUE EVANS - HEALTH BUILDERS - RWANDA - 2022 Master of Science in Global Health Equity

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Dominique completed her internship focused on health systems and the integration of community-based health insurance in Rwanda with partners, Health Builders (HB), from May 6 – 13, 2022. Health Builders is a robust partner in community health care that enables millions of community members to have access to health care by partnering with local and national governments by increasing and building capacity of quality health care.

"I learned about the health care system of Rwanda and understand what made it successful and how do they continue to break barriers in the health care world."

Rwanda is a country of resilience and preservation that has not only lived

through one of the most tragic moments in the 20th country but continues to build, support, and strengthen its economy. This is in part due to policies contributing to the community's health and accessibility. Existing literature on Rwanda's Community-based National Health Insurance primarily focuses on innovative strategy and management such as barriers and limitations, learned lessons, impact, rapid assessment and tracing. The health coverage in Rwanda is addressed as being ideal and meets the needs of their population and transform healthcare. Few researchers have studied the community-based health insurance, predominantly its vigor observed in less-than-ideal circumstances to evaluate preparedness, such as governance involvement, response, solidity, interventions, and disease control methods.

| Internship Purpose | 1) Describe health systems in Rwanda; 2) Examine reporting challenges and limitations; and 3) Propose recommendations for advancing health equity under Rwanda's Community-based National Health Insurance schemes during COVID-19 |
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| Professional Development Objectives | Acquire critical thinking skills Develop skills to work effectively within formal and informal networks and work cultures Expand research methods and ethics skills and knowledge. Develop skills for leading and organizing a research program |



She explored the communityb ased health insurance schemes and how it affects the community members in Rwanda's districts



Rwamagana District Hospital Team



Sophia, Midwife and Deputy Head of Health Facility

"I had the pleasure of working with Didier Uwizera who was my mentor. As a Monitoring and Evaluation & Data Management Specialist he was able to thoroughly explain each district in detail and the workings of the healthcare system in Rwanda."