Establishing a Collaborative Center for Learning, Research, and Innovation (CLRI) in Rural Malawi

Purpose
We will develop a Center for Research, Learning and Innovation (CRLI) which will serve as an intellectual hub for maximum impact of collaborations between Ohio State University and Child Legacy International, a nonprofit community hospital in rural Malawi, and the Malawi College of Medicine. The CRLI will create institutional capacity for future complex and robust collaborative undertakings. CRLI scientists will host trainings for research and clinic staff, and disseminate findings locally and globally.

Impact
Maximize existing resources using a central office to coordinate research proposals, communications, and study resources. Such coordination will facilitate research partnerships, minimize redundancy, and capitalize on multidisciplinary expertise.

Create interventions that encourage best utilization of sexual and reproductive health technologies. Strengthened coordination of studies, and an emphasis on dissemination and feedback, will enable quality reproductive health interventions.

Establish a sustainable platform for research and clinical care in a rural setting. Through trainings, professional development, and study contributions, the CLRI will sustain ongoing and future partnerships.

Ohio State Colleges/Units Involved
Division of Epidemiology, College of Public Health
Division of Infectious Diseases, College of Medicine
Department of Microbial Infection and Immunity, College of Medicine
Department of Microbiology, College of Arts and Sciences
Department of Sociology, College of Arts and Sciences
Fisher College of Business
Center for Global Health, College of Medicine

Community Partners Involved
Child Legacy International
Malawi College of Medicine

How you can get involved:
• Provide travel funding for students
• Provide a research or clinical training at the Center for Learning, Research and Innovation in Malawi

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