FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Thank you for your interest in sharing your solution with the Social Innovation in Health Initiative (SIHI) India! Below you will find answers to some frequently asked questions by innovators.

WHAT IS SOCIAL INNOVATION IN HEALTH?

Social innovation is a new lens to approach health care delivery and development. It is a creative solution to a systemic health challenge to reach vulnerable populations. The solution is typically effective, inclusive and affordable.

Social innovation process uses a multi-sectorial and multidisciplinary approach to engage communities, government's representatives, and other actors within and outside the health system to solve a systemic (health) challenge. Thus, social innovation is a people-centered approach.

Social innovation is contrary to an invention or traditional innovation in that it is not done in the pursuit of 'newness' or great profit margins but to improve quality of life, achieve justice and equity, and positive social change.

Watch this short video to learn more: https://youtu.be/Ncu8NEzKVQU

AM I AN INNOVATOR?

If you have developed a creative solution to a healthcare delivery problem in your community, then you are an innovator! If you have tried something new or different to make health care more affordable, accessible or effective, then we want to hear from you! You could be a frontline health worker, an entrepreneur, a government official, a student or a community member. You could be working in a not-for-profit organisation, a company, a public-sector institution or a university.

We are searching for passionate and inspirational individuals from all walks of life!

WHAT IS SIHI?

The Social Innovation in Health Initiative (SIHI) is a network of passionate individuals and institutions combining their skills and resources in support of key activities to promote social innovation in health.

This network of passionate individuals and institutions share a common goal to advance social innovation in achieving Sustainable Development Goals and improving the lives of communities in low- and middle-income countries. Our mission is to unlock the capacity residing within the actors of the health system to advance social innovation. We do this through south-south-north collaboration in three areas — research, capacity building, and advocacy.

The SIHI network was launched in 2014 through joint efforts of the Bertha Centre for Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship at the University of Cape Town, the Skoll Centre for Social Entrepreneurship at Oxford University, the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, and TDR, hosted at WHO.

The network is supported by TDR, the Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Disease, co-sponsored by UNDP, UNICEF, the World Bank and WHO. TDR is able to conduct its work thanks to the commitment and support from a variety of funders. For the full list of TDR donors, please see: https://www.who.int/tdr/about/funding/en/. TDR receives additional funding from Sida, the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency, to support SIHI.

In 2017, the SIHI network expanded to include additional partners from low- and middle- income countries: University of Malawi College of Medicine in Malawi; Makerere University School of Public Health in Uganda; University of Philippines Manila College of Medicine; Social Entrepreneurship to Spur Health initiative in China; and Centro Internacional de Entrenamiento e Investigaciones Medicas (CIDEIM) in Colombia in collaboration with ICESI University and the Pan American Health Organization.

In April 2020, country research partners in Honduras, Nigeria, Rwanda, Ghana, and Indonesia were also identified. In 2021, the DERBI Foundation in India was added as another SIHI implementing partner.

SIHI is collaborating with several organizations such as the Fondation Mérieux, the Ahimsa Fund, the WHO Department of Service Delivery and Safety, WHO AFRO, and the United Nations University-International Institute for Global Health.

WHY SHARE YOUR SOLUTION WITH SIHI?

We believe that across India, there are innovators who have successfully solved some of healthcare's biggest problems. We believe that by learning from innovators, like you, we can not only improve health in our country but also share the learning with other countries. We can't only look at governments or international organizations to improve healthcare in India. We all have a role to play together! SIHI is thus searching for examples of social innovations in health.

The opportunities for you include:
- **Recognition -** Be recognised both locally and internationally.
- **Showcase** innovations in digital forums.
- **Mentoring and Market access** to the selected winners.
- **Global Network Access -** We will share your solution across India as well as internationally through the SIHI Partner Network.
- **Learning -** Opportunity to expand learning and networks in social innovations
- **Community –** You will become part of the growing SIHI community of innovators.

IS MY SOLUTION ELIGIBLE?

Your solution is eligible if it meets the following conditions:

- Focused on improving healthcare delivery in any of the following areas:
    - Primary healthcare
    - Access to health and inclusive care
    - Quality & affordability
    - Contributing to health-related SDGs

- Solution should have implemented in India
- Operational for more than a year *(We are not looking for new ideas but existing solutions)*
- The application should have been fully completed. All incomplete forms will be excluded.

HOW DO I SUBMIT A SOLUTION?

Apply by using the below link:
https://derbifoundation.accubate.app/ext/form/10/1/apply

To submit your solution through our online platform, please follow the steps below:

STEP 1: Read the submission tips online, and download the Frequently Asked Questions document to guide you through the process from the above link.

STEP 2: Download the pitch presentation template available in the application form link SIHI India - Healthcare Excellence Awards.pptx This will allow you to prepare the presentation in the desired template ahead of time.

STEP 3: Upload pitch presentation at a maximum size of 10 MB in total. This is a mandatory step that is available to you.

STEP 4: Upload any videos if you want. You are limited to upload at a maximum size of 15 MB total. This is an optional step that is available to you.

STEP 5: You can save your application as draft and return to your online form at any time and as often as you like before the closing date. Your daft application will be available on the home page. However, once it is submitted, you are unable to revise it.

STEP 6: Once you save as draft or fill the form successfully, you will receive the login credentials via email from hello@cunomial.com. Once received, go to any browser and visit URL (derbifoundation.accubate.app/user/login) and login with your application email id and password provided via email. You will be able to see the filled application on your dashboard and the next steps provided by Derbi Foundation.

STEP 7: The Derbi Foundation team will get in touch with you after the application closes. Your submission will be reviewed by an external expert panel. Thank you for sharing your solution!

HOW DOES MY SOLUTION GET SELECTED?

All eligible solutions received will be submitted to an independent expert review panel. This panel will be country-specific and comprised of experts in innovation, public health, social entrepreneurship and medicine.

Experts may come from universities, technical agencies or the Ministry of Health. Their task will be to assess your solution according to the call criteria. Following the selection process, there may be a need for our team to conduct a telephonic interview with you. Once you have passed through the selection process successfully, a shortlist of successful applicants will be announced.

GET IN TOUCH

If you have a question not yet answered above, please feel free to contact our team via:

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