

Prosperity Science Internship Sponsor and Project Description

The Center for Business, Health and Prosperity is focused on integrating innovation and entrepreneurship with health-enabling practices in pursuit of economic, social, and political well-being. Prosperity science is about discovering what makes this type of progress happen and ways to expand it. Prosperity Science Interns work with sponsoring organizations (government organizations, non-profits, or entrepreneurs) to help them improve prosperity while earning university credit.

Project Partner/Sponsoring Organization: Health 2 Go

Sponsoring Organization Mission/Vision: Health 2 Go is a community-based primary healthcare program that focuses on improving the health of communities by bringing basic health services to communities for:

- improving maternal and child health and survival rates;
- reducing the demand for institutionalized health services (reducing overall healthcare costs);
- expanding workforce capacity; and
- accelerating progress towards health-related Sustainable Development Goals.

Health 2 Go creates capacity for communities to be healthy, well, and self-reliant. The Health 2 Go system integrates strong consumer branding, evidence-supported training, field-tested equipment and supplies, on-going supervision, health system integration, community participation, and certification. By utilizing this proven model, Health 2 Go has demonstrated an impact on participating communities and is expanding to reach communities throughout the world.

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Project Title: Maternal Health in Ghana: Analysis of Mortality Causes and a Program for Improvement

Desirable Student Skills: The ideal intern will have interest in improving maternal health.

Semester (circle 1): Fall Spring **Summer**

Project Year: 2023

Project Background: To date in its multi-year pilot program, Health 2 Go has been able to demonstrate significant improvement in decreasing neonatal and under-five child mortality. However, the programs implemented have so far not decreased maternal mortality in childbirth to the extent desired.

Project Goal(s):

- Understand the most prevalent causes of maternal mortality;
- Recommend mechanisms that Health 2 Go can implement to decrease maternal mortality.

Project Deliverable(s) to the Sponsoring Organization:

- An analysis of the current causes of maternal mortality in childbirth, by region if possible;
- Recommendations of educational and interventional programs to decrease maternal mortality;
- Implementation plan for Health 2 Go.