



### Shivani Shukla (Indian)

**Host organization:** Financing Alliance for Health (FAH)

**Fellow position:** Health Financing Fellow

**Fellowship duration:** July 2022 – July 2023

**Degree:** MSc in Health and International Development (Applied Development Economics)

**Professional experience:** 4.5 years



### Summary

With a background in health and development economics, Shivani joined Financing Alliance for Health, Kenya to support the country investments & knowledge team to bridge the \$4 billion+ funding gap for community health and progress African countries toward Universal Health Coverage (UHC).

### The problem FAH aims to tackle

- >80% CHWs in Africa remain unrecognized, unpaid, under-resourced.
- \$4 billion+ funding gap for community health systems.
- Lack of govt. resources, technical capabilities and political prioritization for health.

### The solution FAH provides...

- FAH partners with governments and key stakeholders on all steps of financing to strengthen and sustain community health systems; leveraging primary health care to attain universal health coverage.

### ... contributing to the SDGs:



### Opportunity for a Fellow

- Ideate, innovate and lead pivotal projects that are key to bridging the community health financing gap
- Build a strong network of partners, funders and key stakeholders to progress toward common goals
- Identify and employ effective advocacy strategies to create awareness on key issues

### “My experience as a Fellow...

*...was highly rewarding. I had the privilege of driving pivotal projects that focused on bridging the funding gap in community health and advocate for a more equitable and sustainable health systems. I am glad to have contributed to many budding impactful endeavors and to have been part of a team that continues to make a real difference to lives on the African continent.”*

- Shivani



**Shivani's achievements...**

- Conceptualized, refined and progressed the development of concept for Community Health Financing Self-Assessment Tool; developed initial skeleton of the tool
- Successfully, with the team, drafted initial concept of the Community Health & Private Sector Prize Fund and shared with key stakeholders
- Developed research question and methodology for an evidence paper while iterating with subject matter experts
- Employed advocacy strategies and built capacity of the ecosystem by engaging audience members through a webinar series, curriculum, #triviamondays, advocacy articles etc.



**... contributing to FAH**

- 300+** Engaged 300+ members through financing curriculum, webinars & social media
- 4** Conceptualized and refined 4 strategic ideas in financing mechanisms, thought leadership and advocacy
- 5** Strengthened relationships with key FAH partners, and with internal and external stakeholders

**Shivani's next challenge**

Shivani will continue supporting FAH in its ambitious and impactful endeavours as part of the country investments and knowledge workstream