



Chinedu Nnawetanma

Host organization: Financing Alliance for Health (FAH)

Fellow position: Fiscal Sponsorship Program Manager

Fellowship duration: July 2025 - July 2026

Degree: B.Sc. (Psychology); MBA (Management)

Professional experience: 12+ years

**Financing Alliance
for Health**



Summary

I lead the execution and expansion of the fiscal sponsorship program at the Financing Alliance for Health (FAH). I oversee the end-to-end delivery of the initiative, which encompasses internal systems strengthening, relationship management, and partnership development.

The problem FAH aims to tackle

- Donors are increasingly eager to fund local nonprofit projects in Africa that are close to the problems they're solving but are sometimes unable to do so because some of those initiatives and organizations lack the structure and capacity for direct funding.

The solution FAH provides...

- Through our Fiscal Sponsorship Program, it bridges the gap between global funders and high-impact African NGOs and projects. It provides the systems and back-office structure that enable them to receive funds from donors and foundations, while also helping to drive the funders' localization mandates.

... contributing to the SDGs:



Opportunity for a Fellow

- Lead the management and expansion of the program
- Strengthen program delivery
- Broaden the program's scope beyond the health sector into sectors like education, climate, environment, and livelihoods
- Refine internal processes and workflows for optimized efficiency
- Serve as the primary point of contact for sponsored organizations, ensuring the necessary program support

"My experience as a Fellow..."

... has been rewarding and impactful. Over the past 12 months, I have spearheaded various initiatives that have positioned the Financing Alliance for Health as the leading fiscal sponsor in Africa. I have led the expansion of the program's framework from health into other sectors. Most importantly, I have enabled the flow of capital from global funders to local and grassroots African initiatives that are implementing innovative social impact programs across the continent."

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Chinedu's achievements...

- Created standardized operational templates that transformed complex internal processes into clear workflows and scaled efficiency
- Developed and implemented a communications and publicity strategy that has positioned FAH as the leading fiscal sponsor in Africa
- Authored newsletters and strategic thought leadership articles that have increased awareness for FAH's fiscal sponsorship program
- Created a centralized online application portal that has automated initial project screening and inquiry tracking
- Secured strategic partnerships with key networks, industry associations, and enablers across Africa and globally
- Provided fractional global operations and strategy execution support to fiscally sponsored projects
- Supported fundraising efforts by co-developing pitch decks and proposals, participating in conferences across Europe and Africa, and holding one-on-one engagements with potential funders

... contributing to the Financing Alliance for Health

\$9m

In funding enabled for sponsored projects so far in FY 2025 and 2026

25+

Major fiscal sponsorship applications received via the newly launched online portal

5+

Key fiscally sponsored projects supported

Chinedu's next challenge

Staying on at FAH to consolidate and build on successes recorded so far to expand the program's footprint globally