The COVID-19 pandemic has propelled health to the top of the world news agenda, requiring journalists everywhere to keep up with fast evolving scientific developments and underscoring the inextricable links between health, human rights, and issues around good governance. Along with the pandemic has come the ‘infodemic’ that has profoundly challenged media professionals to provide accurate, science-based information to their audiences in the face of an onslaught of misinformation.

Our goal is to empower journalists everywhere to report on a range of health issues, including emerging pathogen threats. This network is a vibrant media community committed to reporting regularly on health, that can also be rapidly mobilized to share vital health information during an emergency.

Our Members
As of June 2023, the network has over 1500 registered members from 85 countries. Membership is for individuals, media outlets, and established networks that regularly focus on health. Our members are journalists, health communicators, investigative reporters, content producers, media entrepreneurs, and digital health innovators. What they have in common is a passion for covering public health and for bringing marginalized voices into mainstream discussions about health rights and policy.
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The HJN fellowship to the 2023 World Conference of Science Journalists in Colombia was an invaluable opportunity to enrich my understanding of science journalism, from ethical considerations to the inclusion (or exclusion) of indigenous voices in our field. Engaging in meaningful discussions with a diverse cohort of journalists widened my perspective and opened the door to the possibility of South-South solidarity.

— Mahima Jain, health reporter from India

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