

Antimicrobial Resistance in Vietnam: a qualitative approach

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Introduction

- OUCRU does research to better the state of public health in Vietnam
- Office of diverse colleagues working towards a healthier future
- Special interest currently in Antimicrobial resistance (AMR)

Objective of Internship

I wanted to increase my exposure to globally based health organizations and combine my passion for qualitative and quantitative research.

Work profile

- Implement innovative community interventions for AMR
- I researched previous interventions and recommended a detailed intervention plan combining strengths of previous interventions
- I collaborated on another novel intervention targeted at women

Reflection

- My recommendations for a community intervention will be essential informing an evidence based intervention. By combining research and ethnographic skills we can develop the most effective method for cultivating change in health behaviors.



Team dinner after completing a project. Left to right: Arielle Lawson, Mary DeVellis, Nikita Nangia, Nam Nguyen



Final presentation for all OUCRU staff. Pictured Mary DeVellis, photo credit Nam Nguyen.

- I learned so much during this internship, especially about the importance of community work and qualitative approaches to public health.
- Working in a highly collaborative office allowed me to present higher quality research.
- Friendly colleagues helped me practice my Vietnamese at lunch and welcomed me into the OUCRU community both in and out of work.
- Overall, I am so thankful for this opportunity to engage critically with the exciting world of global public health innovators.

Looking ahead

- I can see future work in community health intervention research after working in the nexus of qualitative and quantitative research.

Questions

- How can we continue to support and uplift communities with significant public health problems giving them autonomy and guidance at the same time?

Conclusion

- Working in a global environment is a challenging and fulfilling experience in working towards making the world a healthier place.

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