

American Leprosy Missions Overview

Who we are

American Leprosy Missions (ALM) is a Christian global health and development organization serving vulnerable people affected by neglected tropical diseases (NTDs) through research and implementation of innovative and scalable programs.

What we do

ALM believes that "business as usual" will not beat NTDs and have been striving to develop new processes, projects, tools and systems. Some of the organization's recent projects include: the <u>AIM Initiative</u>, a new, low-cost, scalable approach to disease mapping for integrated case management; the <u>NTD Innovation Prize</u> to encourage and support ideas with the potential for cost-effective, scalable results for people affected by NTDs; and as a founding member of the <u>Leprosy Research Initiative</u>.

Where we are

ALM is headquartered in Greenville, South Carolina, U.S.A, has regional offices in Asia and Africa and works with a network of more than 50 research and implementing partners around the world

Expectations from the workshop

"The opportunity to learn from what others organizations are doing is at the top of our list. Our hope is that there will be time spent discussing ideas with others who are passionate about innovation which can lead us and others to break through barriers and accelerate change.

Through the SIHI partner workshop we desire to engage a new and diverse set of partners. For example, ALM is testing a new molecular diagnostic tool with a network of labs for use in very remote contexts. In addition to experimenting with a new technology for people affected by high-impact diseases like NTDs, we are also testing a new market-based approach as a sustainable business model. This intersection of impact and investment models is new space for us and we are looking forward to learning from other partners in the SIHI network."

Website

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