## PhD in Public Health-Admission announcement

We are looking for highly motivated and goal-oriented candidates for fully funded **PhD positions.** We invite **both Pakistan and Afghan nationals to join a cohort of scholars with**in the **Centre for IMPACT.** The Centre for IMPACT is funded by the UK's National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) to build research capacity in non-communicable diseases (NCDs) in Afghanistan and Pakistan. The Centre includes three Universities based in the UK including the University of York, UK and seven Universities/Research Institutes based in Afghanistan and Pakistan including Khyber Medical University, Pakistan. The Centre for IMPACT aims to improve physical and mental health together. The main focus is on common mental disorders and the prevention and control of cardiovascular diseases and diabetes.

The PhD students, once selected, will be expected to align their PhD research proposal with one of the above-mentioned themes. Funding will cover 100% tuition fee plus stipend.

## **Eligibility Criteria**

These studentships are open to Pakistan or Afghan nationals only. We expect the candidates to have a minimum CGPA of 3.0 (out of 4.0 in the Semester System) in Masters in Public Health/MSc Epidemiology & Biostatistics/Masters in Health Research or Masters in any health-related discipline from PMDC/HEC recognised university/ institution. The selected students would be committed to building their research capacity in NCDs through this full-time PhD.

## Admission Process

- Each candidate shall make an application for admission to the PhD program on the prescribed form along with documents specified in the Form. The Form can be downloaded from the link <u>https://iphss.kmu.edu.pk/phd-public-health-impact-admission-notice-spring-2024</u> or received from the IPHSS-KMU office, in Peshawar. The last date for submission of the admission Form is ---- 15<sup>th</sup> december-2023.
- The candidates will be required to pass an admission test. The admission test will consist of MCQs, based on public health [70%], English verbal [15%], and analytical reasoning [15%]. The minimum passing score of 70% will be required for shortlisting. The test will be conducted on -----28<sup>th</sup> December -2023.

- The short listed candidates will submit a two-page research proposal on the topic that candidate may like to pursue for his/her doctoral thesis.
- Proposal must reflect the background, rationale, research question & objectives, proposed methodology and expected outcomes of the research. Last date for proposal submission is -15<sup>th</sup> January -2024
- After a thorough review of their proposals, the selection committee will shortlist candidates for an interview. The interview panel will include members from KMU and the University of York-UK. The interview date will be communicated later.