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**Taking** Global Digital Health Network envisions a world where technical innovation supports improved health and contributes to better quality, accessibility and sustainability of health services and health outcomes, particularly for underserved populations in low resource environments.

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A community nutrition educator in Barwani, India, enters data on her mobile phone during a home visit in one of the villages she serves. © 2013 Chelsea Healthlist, Courtesy of Photoshare



## Global Digital Health Network Monthly Meeting

Please join us on **October 3rd at 10:00am EST** for our monthly Global Digital Health Network meeting, hosted by DAI in Washington, DC and online via webinar!

### Cybersecurity and 5G in Digital Health

Electronic health records and digital health systems have allowed greater and more rapid access to potentially life-saving information for patients around the world. Despite the benefits health data has brought the sector, these digital systems are often exploited. In low and middle-income countries (LMICs), adoption of digital health systems is a priority for donors and governments alike, yet in these countries digital health systems are particularly vulnerable to exploitation. This is because in LMICs there is prevalent use of unlicensed software, out of date systems, siloed health solutions that exchange data without understanding security vulnerabilities and protections, and lack of trained Ministry of Health staff in cybersecurity, leaving health systems vulnerable to exploitation, misuse, and undetected data breaches. Lack of trained cybersecurity specialists within the international development community complicates the problem further. Recent cybersecurity incidents in Mexico, Ukraine, Nigeria, and other LMICs point to the immediate need to address the issue, particularly as the roll out of 5G and IoT approaches. During this presentation, DAI and Project Balance will discuss why cybersecurity for healthcare professionals is critical to the global digital health agenda by describing ongoing initiatives as well as examples of cases where projects have implemented cybersecurity measures to protect health data.

**Registration:** Please [register here on Eventbrite](#). Space in DC is limited to 20 participants, so please register online if you plan to attend in person.

A note for in-person attendees: the space is only accessible with a key card so participants will have to sign-in at the front desk and go up to the 8th floor, to be let up to the 10th floor.

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## Registration is now open for the 2019 Global Digital Health Forum!

[Please visit our conference website](#) to buy tickets, make hotel reservations, learn how to be a sponsor, apply for a travel scholarship, and more!

Thank you all so much for the overwhelming response to the call for abstracts. We received over 400 submissions from 61 countries and 700 authors and have sent out all abstract decisions.

2019 Global Digital Health Forum theme is: ***Celebrating Innovation and Supporting Proven Practices at Scale.*** This year's Forum will highlight evidence-based practices being scaled around the world as part of national digital health strategies. We will also highlight the ways in which all of you are innovating within the ever-changing landscape of global digital health to increase efficiency and effectiveness.

**Date:** December 9-11, 2019

**Location:** Bethesda North Marriott; Rockville, Maryland (Greater Washington DC area)

Hope to see you there!

Trinity and Steve

GDHN Co-Chairs

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