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CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

CEHURD'S 13TH MEDIA FELLOWSHIP (2025)

THEME: Strengthening Media to Responsively Report on the Emerging Realities in Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights

Introduction

For the past twelve years, the Center for Health, Human Rights and Development (CEHURD) has invested in building the capacities of media practitioners across Uganda through its Media Fellowship Programme. This unique initiative is designed to strengthen media practitioners' understanding of health and human rights while promoting positive and accurate reporting on sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR). It equips fellows with up-to-date information on SRHR, skills in investigative journalism, and introduces participants to human rights-based approaches, advocacy strategies, evidence-based reporting, and the legal and policy environment surrounding SRHR in Uganda. In addition, the fellowship allows media practitioners to interact with experts in the field of SRHR for responsive reporting. Through this fellowship, CEHURD fosters a more informed, ethical, and impactful media landscape for advancing health and human rights in Uganda and beyond.



Application Deadline

Tuesday 22nd July 2025

Geographical focus

Building on the fellows' recommendation for regional outreach, CEHURD is hosting its 2025 fellowship program specifically for practitioners in the West Nile region of Uganda, with a focus on impactful reporting.

Rationale

In today's fast-changing world, reporting on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) demands more than just factual accuracy;

It requires sharp analysis, local context and a deep human connection.

Media practitioners now operate in an environment shaped by global crises, shifting policies, emerging social movements, and competing narratives.

From the growing influence of self-care practices in Uganda's health care system to the silent toll of climate change on adolescent girls' health and education, the media plays a powerful role in how these issues are understood and acted upon.

CEHURD's Media Fellowship was created in response to this reality. Guided by a hands-on curriculum, this year's fellowship will explore issues such as mental health and SRHR, Uganda's National Self-Care interventions, gender-transformative approaches, investigative journalism, and the impact of misinformation in the digital age. The fellowship will also examine how global issues like climate change, geopolitics, and shifting funding priorities connect with local SRHR stories in ways that directly impact people's lives.

By bringing together reporters from national and regional media houses, the fellowship will create a peer-driven network where journalists can share knowledge, co-create campaigns, and respond rapidly to SRHR issues as they arise.

Eligibility

Eligible journalists for the fellowship will be expected to have the following qualifications:

A minimum of a diploma in journalism, development studies, social sciences, development communications or any other related field.

Experience of at least two years in journalism, practising with an established media house.

Recommendation letter from the editor or producer.

Interest in developing a career path in sexual and reproductive health and rights reporting for young people.

Must **NOT** have participated in any past CEHURD SRHR media fellowship.

Target audience

Media practitioners from West Nile region of Uganda.

How to apply

Please fill out the application form and submit along with your academic credentials via **kitandwe@cehurd.org** and copy **twemanye@cehurd.org**.



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