

Funders Learning Network for Global Epilepsy

Who We Are

The Funders Learning Network for Global Epilepsy — launched by the BAND Foundation — is a **two-year pilot initiative** to spark interest, build connections, and explore solutions for epilepsy care in Africa.

Epilepsy affects over 50 million people worldwide, with the majority living in low-resource settings where treatment gaps exceed 75%.

Through **curated briefings**, **peer exchange**, and **exposure to promising models** in Africa, the Network helps funders learn together, discover synergies with their own portfolios, and identify high-impact opportunities for investment.

Who Should Join

This learning network is open to **philanthropic funders**, **bilateral and multilateral donors**, and other **grantmakers**, as well as their **advisors**. We especially welcome:

- Those actively funding/exploring funding opportunities in epilepsy, other neurological conditions in Africa
- Funders and advisors focused on health systems strengthening, WASH, NCDs, tropical diseases, and public health in Africa
- Individuals and organizations whose work impacts people with epilepsy, or who are seeking to intentionally include people with epilepsy in their programs
- Those eager to learn from peers, share experiences, and engage in collaborative approaches to advance progress on epilepsy and related conditions in low-resourced settings

What We Offer



Virtual Funder Learning Sessions (3-4/year)

Expert-led discussions focused on epilepsy disease burden, treatment gap, proven interventions, systems change strategies, and collaborative funding models.



Quarterly Newsletter

Updates on epilepsyrelated developments, partner highlights, funding opportunities, and upcoming events.



One-on-One Tailored Support

Confidential calls to align your priorities, identify partners, explore site visits to programs on the ground, and integrate epilepsy into broader health strategies.

Why Join

Epilepsy is an urgent but neglected health issue across Africa. By joining this Network, you can deepen understanding, connect with like-minded peers, and contribute to reducing a neglected but solvable source of global health inequity.

You can join using this <u>link</u> or the QR code



^{*}There is no required time commitment to join the network and members can tailor their engagement based on their capacity.