

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Short Profile

I am an Assistant Professor in the Department of Epidemiology and Public Health at Central University of Tamil Nadu. I was a research fellow with WHO-SEARO and hold a PhD from the Achutha Menon Centre for Health Sciences Studies at the Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology. I am an MPH graduate from the same institute and completed MPH internship with DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) scholarship at Bielefeld University, Germany. I was an INSPIRE fellow under the Department of Science and Technology in India and have three book chapters and 13 research publications in international journals. My core research interests lie in Gender and Intersectionality in Health, Healthcare Economics, Health Systems and Health Policy. I was part of two international projects with training experience under the National Institutes of Health, USA and worked as a temporary consultant for the Department of Reproductive Health and Research at the World Health Organization.

Education

1. PhD in Public Health | May 2013-December 2018

Achutha Menon Centre for Health Science Studies, Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology, Kerala, India *with* INSPIRE Fellowship.

2. Master of Public Health (MPH) | Jan 2010-Dec 2011

Achutha Menon Centre for Health Science Studies, Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology, Kerala, India. (*“India’s first Public Health School” and “Centre of Excellence for Public Health Training” recognized by the Govt. of India*)

- *University topper: Cumulative grade point average of 4.49 out of 5 (89.82%)*

Training

1. MPH Internship | 01 Nov 2011-31 Dec 2011

Department of Epidemiology & International Public Health, Bielefeld University, Germany with **DAAD Scholarship**. Part of the project “**Global Health-International Perspective**”

2. **NIH “Protecting Human Research Participants”**| 25th June 2012
Web-based training course by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Office of Extramural Research
3. **Health in Numbers: Quantitative Methods in Clinical & Public Health Research** | 1st February 2013
PH207x: Online learning initiative of Harvard University through edX.
4. **Health Financing for Universal Health Coverage**| 10th June 2019
Online training course by World Health Organization
5. **DHS e- Learning Survey Sampling Training Course** | 1st July- 31st August 2020
Online training course by The Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS) Program
6. **Advanced Course on Health Financing for UHC**| 1st March-21st March 2021
1st Facilitated online course by World Health Organization
7. **Gender Equity and Intersectionality in Health Policy and Systems** | 1st June to -31st August 2021
Online course by PHFI and United Nations University, International Institute for Global Health, HUKM Complex, Faculty of Medicine, University Kebangsaan Malaysia, Jalan Yaacob Latiff, Cheras, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Work Experience

1. **Assistant Professor** | 17 March 2020- current
Department of Epidemiology and Public Health, Central University of Tamil Nadu
Thiruvarur, Tamil Nadu- 610 005
2. **Research Fellow**| 1 October 2019
WHO-SEARO Research Fellowship Programme on Strengthening Gender Equity and Intersectionality in Health Policy and Systems Research
PHFI and United Nations University, International Institute for Global Health, HUKM Complex, Faculty of Medicine, University Kebangsaan Malaysia, Jalan Yaacob Latiff, Cheras, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
3. **Temporary Consultant**| 26 August 2019-5 Oct 2019
World Health Organization, Department of Reproductive Health and Research (RHR), Human Reproduction Program (HRP).

4. Research Fellow | 1 July 2013-1 Jan 2014

Research Fellow under SHARE (South Asian Hub for Advocacy, Research and Education on Mental Health), Administered by PHFI and funded by the United States National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH). Discontinued after January 2014

5. Research trainee | 18 June 2012-3 Aug 2013

Research trainee of the United States National Institutes of Health (US-NIH) funded ASCEND (Asian Collaboration for Excellence in Non-communicable Disease) Research Network

6. Intervention Manager | 19 Jan 2012- 18 Jan 2013

Kerala Diabetes Prevention Program, Achutha Menon Centre for Health Science Studies, Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology.

Publications

1. Liston F D O R, Hatibaruah A, Jeevith S B, Farhat S K, Anbalagan R, Philip N E, Krishnan J, Binduja S. Aedes-borne disease awareness in Thiruvarur District of Tamil Nadu, India. *J Commun Dis.*2025;57(1):9-19. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.24321/0019.5138.202502>
2. Anusree Prabhakaran 1 , Neena Elezebeth Philip 1 , Lekha D Bhat 1 , Bhagyalakshmi R. A Right-based approach to tackling out-of-pocket expenses for chronic diseases: A Critical interpretative review from Kerala. *Journal of Health Management.* (Accepted on March 10, 2025)
3. Kumaresan, M., Vijayan, A., Ramkumar, M., Philip, N.E. Unraveling the enigma: chronic kidney disease of unknown etiology and its causative factors with a specific focus on dissolved organic compounds in groundwater—reviews and future prospects. *Environ Geochem Health* 46, 510 (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10653-024-02287-7>
4. Philip, N.E., Iyer, A. (2024). Who Benefits from India's Publicly Funded Health Insurance Schemes? Unraveling Intersecting Gender and Socioeconomic Inequalities. In: Ravindran, T.S., Sivakami, M., Bhushan, A., Rashid, S.F., Khan, K.S. (eds) *Handbook on Sex, Gender and Health.* Springer, Singapore. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-19-9265-0_34-1
5. Bamusi, M.T., Philip, N.E. & Bhat, L.D. Women's empowerment and its influence on the uptake of breast cancer screening in Tanzania: an analysis of 2022 Tanzania demographic health survey data. *BMC Women's Health* 24, 495 (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12905-024-03345-z>

6. Saritha A, Jangra R, Bhat L, Philip NE. Knowledge, attitude, and practice among the Indian population regarding COVID-19 using LASI-DAD COVID-19 data. *International Journal of Public Health Science (IJPHS)*. 2025;14(2):634. doi:<https://doi.org/10.11591/ijphs.v14i2.23836>. ISSN: 2252-8806, DOI: 10.11591/ijphs.v14i2.23836
7. Bhagyalakshmi R, Philip NE ,Bhat L D. Operation AMRITH in Kerala: Challenges and Opportunities for Regulated Antibiotic Use. *Economic & Political Weekly* , Vol. 59, Issue No. 43, 26 Oct, 2024
8. Dlamini TN, Bhat LD, Kodali NK, Philip NE. Prevalence and factors associated with incomplete immunization among children aged 12 to 35 months in Eswatini: analysis of the Eswatini multiple indicator cluster survey. *Pan Afr Med J*. 2023;45:51. Published 2023 May 23. doi:10.11604/pamj.2023.45.51.38643
9. Shongwe SG, **Philip NE** , Kaburu EW , Kamau TM. The Prevalence of HIV Testing and Associated Factors Among Young Women in South Africa: An Analysis of 2016 South Africa Demographic and Health Survey data. *International Journal of Health Sciences and Research*. 2024; 14(1):119-34. <https://doi.org/10.52403/ijhsr.20240116>
10. Kodali NK, Bhat LD, Phillip NE, Koya SF. Prevalence and associated factors of cardiovascular diseases among men and women aged 45 years and above: Analysis of the longitudinal ageing study in India, 2017-2019. *Indian Heart J*. 2023;75(1):31-35. doi:10.1016/j.ihj.2022.12.003
11. Ravindran T.K.S., **Philip N.E.** (2021) Towards Universal Health Coverage? Taking Stock of Two Decades of Health Reforms in India. In: Mani S., Iyer C.G. (eds) *India's Economy and Society*. India Studies in Business and Economics. Springer, Singapore. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-16-0869-8_10 .ISBN **9789811608698**. <https://www.springer.com/gp/book/9789811608681> . **First Online: 10 July 2021**
12. **Philip NE (2021)**. Universal Health Coverage through Public Funded Health Insurance for Elderly. Jadhav A (Ed.). *Rural Elderly and their Quest for Health*(1st Edition, 87-107). New Delhi, Authors upfront. In. ISBN **9789387280908**
13. Ravindran TKS, **Philip NE**. Essay-Towards Universal Health Coverage? The India Forum (Journal Magazine), 03 JUL 2020. Available at: <https://www.theindiaforum.in/sites/default/files/pdf/2020/07/03/towards-universal-health-coverage.pdf>

14. **Philip NE**. Service coverage and financial risk protection among urban poor by Tamil Nadu's voluntary government sponsored health insurance scheme. *eSocialSciences and Humanities (eSSH)* , 2018.
http://www.esocialsciences.org/eSSH_Journal/Repository/10N_Service%20Coverage%20and%20Financial%20Risk%20Protection_Philip%20NE.pdf
15. **Philip NE**, Ravindran TKS. Government sponsored health insurance coverage and out-of-pocket spending among elderly in Kerala: a cross-sectional study. *Journal Of Aging Research And Healthcare* - 2(1):15-24. DOI [10.14302/issn.2474-7785.jarh-17-1489](https://doi.org/10.14302/issn.2474-7785.jarh-17-1489)
16. **Philip NE**, Kannan S, Sarma SP. Utilization of Comprehensive Health Insurance Scheme, Kerala: A Comparative Study of Insured and Uninsured Below-Poverty-Line Households. *Asia Pac J Public Health*. 2016 Jan;28(1 Suppl):77S-85S. doi: 10.1177/1010539515602306. Epub 2015 Aug 27. PMID: 26316502.
17. **Philip NE**, Srinivasan K. Utilization of Comprehensive Health Insurance Scheme, Kerala: A Comparative Study of Insured and Un-Insured 'Below Poverty Line' Households. *BMC Proc*. 2012; 6(Suppl 5): P10.
<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3467696/>
18. Daivadanam M, Absetz P, Sathish S, Thankappan KR, Fisher EB, **Philip NE**, Mathews E, Oldenburg B. Lifestyle change in Kerala, India: needs assessment and planning for a community-based diabetes prevention trial. K-DPP Needs Assessment. *BMC Public Health*. 2013 Feb 1;13(1):95. <https://doi.org/10.1186/1471-2458-13-95>

Awards and Scholarships

- Research Fellowship from WHO-SEARO with *research grant of USD 12,500/-*
- Grant** for Student Project. **Kerala State Council For Science, Technology & Environment**| July 2015
- First Prize**, Oral Presentation. Scientific Fete-2015, Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute of Medical Sciences and Technology, Trivandrum, Kerala| 18th April 2015
- K Mohandas and Richard A Cash Travel Grant** | September 2013
- International Travel Support Award** from **Department of Science and Technology** India| July 2013
- SHARE (South Asian Hub for Advocacy, Research and Education on Mental Health) Fellowship* funded by National Institute of Mental Health, United States| 2013

- **Young Investigator award** by Early Career Network, 44th Asia Pacific Consortium for Public Health (APACPH), Colombo, Sri Lanka| July 2012
- **INSPIRE Fellowship** from Department of Science and Technology, Government of India| 2012
- **DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) scholarship** for MPH Internship at the Department of Epidemiology & International Public Health, Bielefeld University, Germany | November 2011
- K Mohandas and Richard A Cash award for **best academic performance** in MPH

Project details

No	Details of Project	Title	Funding agency	Sanctioned amount in INR	Time period
1	Jayalakshmi Krishnan (PI) and Neena Elezebeth Philip (Co PI)	Prevalence of substance abuse in University/College students in four metropolitan cities of India”	Indian Council of Medical Research	8,05,300/-	16/10/2023 to 15/10/2025
2	Neena Elezebeth Philip (PI) Jayalakshmi Krishnan ,Anjali Vijayan , Dr Lekha D Bhat	Quality of life, determinants and perceived social support among menopausal women: A cross-sectional study in three southern states of India	Indian Council of Social Science Research	11,00,000/-	2024 15 th January - 2026 January
3	Anjali Vijayan (PI) and Neena Elezebeth Philip (Co PI)	A pilot study on correlation between Organic Compounds in Drinking Water Sources and the Prevalence of Chronic Kidney Disease in the Uddanam Region, Srikakulam District, Andhra Pradesh	Indian Council of Social Science Research	7,00,850/-	2024 15 th January - 2025 January
4	Neena Elezebeth Philip (PI) Aditi Iyer	Intersecting inequalities in the uptake and utilization of Government Sponsored	Alliance for Health Policy and Systems Research	USD 12,500/- 10,69,937 INR	1 October 2019- 30/10/2021

		Health Insurance Schemes in India	(AHPSR)- WHO		
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