



## Our work in fighting COVID-19 in India



Better treatments  
Better care  
Healthier societies

*The George Institute for Global Health is a leading independent global medical research institute with major centres in Australia, China, India and United Kingdom. Our mission is to improve the health of millions of people worldwide.*

*Our team have responded to the COVID-19 pandemic by undertaking a relevant and impactful program of research to find treatment and influence public health activities around awareness, prevention and cure for COVID-19.*

### *This includes:*

#### Research Projects

##### *Clinical Trials related to COVID-19*

- Use of innovative oxygen masks to reduce ventilatory requirements
- Clinical, virological and immunological outcomes
- Evaluating angiotensin receptor blockers (also recruiting in Australia)
- Steroid use in hospitalised patients
- Hydroxychloroquin prophylaxis for healthcare workers
- Evaluating impact of COVID-19 and lockdowns on delivery of care for non-communicable diseases

#### Engagement and Support

##### *The promotion of:*

- Hand-washing hygiene
- Social distancing
- How to wear a mask and personal protective equipment
- Mental health tips for healthcare workers
- Using digital apps in response to COVID-19
- Part of the Srikakulam district level rapid response team
- Supporting marginalised communities in coping with COVID-19
- Evaluation of response to COVID-19 in slums of Mumbai
- Round table series on ethical, safe and effective use of telemedicine

#### Expert Guidance

##### *Contributing to:*

- Developing COVID-19 guidelines on:
  - Managing dialysis services.
  - Frontline Health workers Prevention and Control
- Working with local health authorities to implement universal home quarantine, surveillance and response system
- Advocating for system level interventions & protection of human rights for people living in disadvantaged circumstances, especially waste-pickers

## The George Institute, India

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