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**Subject:** Project ECHO - Meeting Follow Up

Hi Dorothy,

Some information about the Project ECHO call Dawn and I were on this morning:

- There were about 20 participants from across the UCEDD network, plus three PFs (Joel, Archy and Sephan). The call was led by ECHO's founder, Dr. Sanjeev Arora at UNM School of Medicine.
- I wasn't familiar with ECHO before, but it uses videoconferencing to connect specialists with service providers in the Global South and enable remote mentorship and exchange of best practices. The project has several "hubs" and "superhubs" in the countries where they work which allow them to engage regional institutions and providers so they have stronger access to local practitioners. It's funded by Robert Wood Johnson and Ashoka.
- ECHO has hubs in over 35 countries, including Brazil, Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda. There are also related but unspecified partnerships in Peru.
- From looking at the map, it seems like there are hubs in both Sao Paulo and Porto Alegre (where our Brazilian alumni live) plus 3 in Kenya, 2 in Uganda, and 1 in Tanzania (based in Dar). ECHO's programs in East Africa are funded by the CDC (see attached maps).

ECHO has traditionally been based around primary healthcare and began in South Asia, but the presenter stressed that they are most interested in COVID recovery in Africa, especially regarding education issues. Our three PFs introduced themselves and Archy and Joel spoke directly about the situation in Tanzania and Uganda, which impressed him. It seems like there could be a potential funding opportunity for someone with great flexibility on ECHO's part as to how anyone on the ground in Africa could be involved.

Best regards,

Siddarth

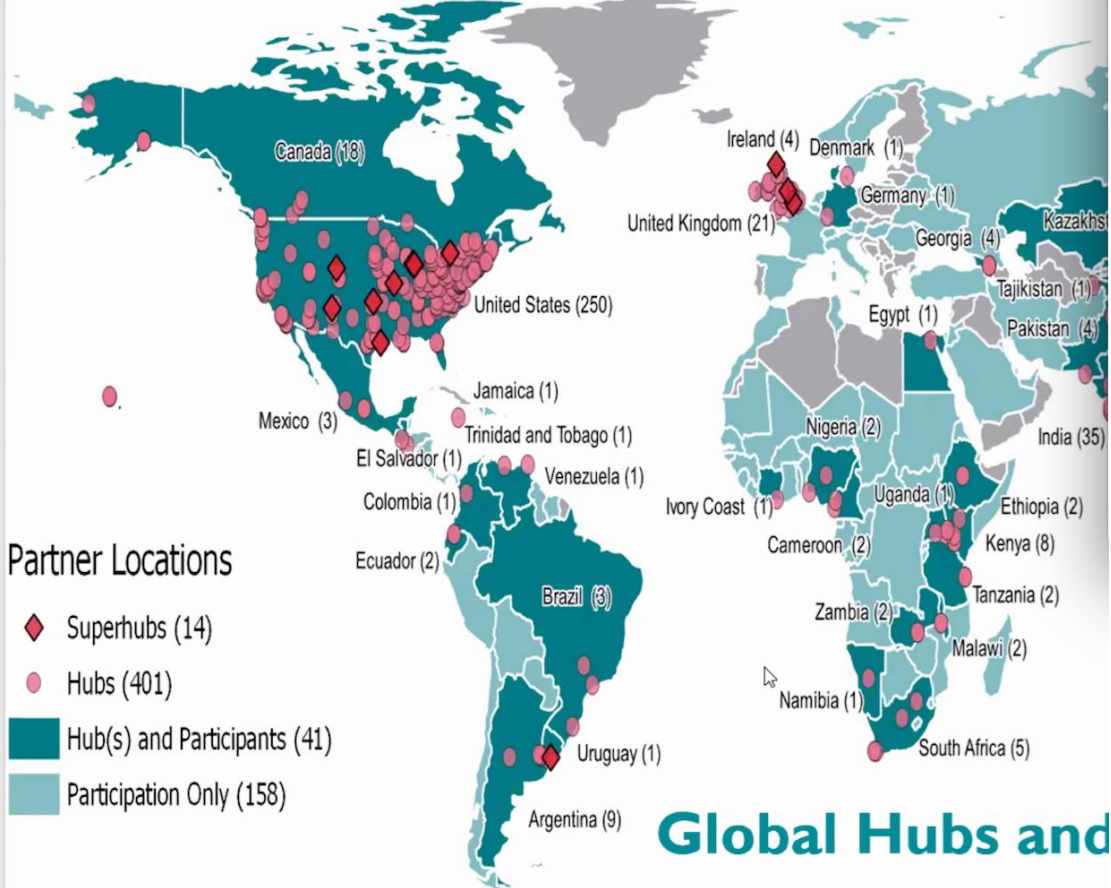
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