



## Digital Health Payment Initiative and Research in Africa (DHPI-R)

# REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS

## Call Request for Applications (RFAs)

### DFS OVERVIEW

Digital financial services (DFS) delivered via mobile phones, the internet, or bank cards have the potential to lower costs, promote more efficient, secure, and transparent transactions, and improve access to formal financial services.

DFS can facilitate changes in consumers' financial behaviors, boost economic well-being and reduce poverty. Moreover, DFS have enabled innovation and improvement in social services and service delivery across diverse sectors which has led to an increase in transparency of financial

flows and reduced leakage of public resources. Nonetheless, widespread and sustained adoption and application of DFS innovations in the health sector of low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) is still lacking. As such, the Bill and Mellinda Gates Foundation in collaboration with Makerere University School of Public Health (MAKSPH) and the University of Dakar in Senegal have established the Digital Health Payments Initiative and Research in Africa (DHPI-R) in order to study and purge this gap.

### SIZE OF RESEARCH STUDIES

Large studies	Medium studies	Small studies
12 months	9 months	6 months
\$200,000	\$100,000	\$60,000

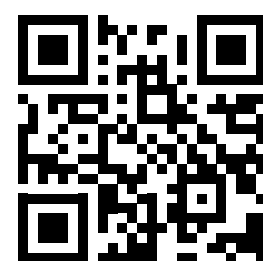
### THEMES

- 1) Campaign effectiveness
- 2) DFS effects on financial inclusion, safety, and security of payments
- 3) Health worker performance and retention
- 4) Payment experience and financial behavior

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### Submission Deadline

 **FRIDAY SEPT. 16<sup>th</sup>**

### Application Notification

 **30<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OCTOBER 2022**

### Research Grants

 **Six (6) external research grants**

### Target Audience

 **All institutions in sub-Saharan Africa**

### Application Website

 <https://bit.ly/3bxF2HE>



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