

## Highlights 2015: a picture of health



It's that time of year again when we ask *Lancet* readers to submit photographs for our annual Highlights photography competition. We are looking for striking images that arrest our attention about any topic in medicine, from global health to clinical medicine, from the individual person to populations. An image can be a powerful way to tell a story. As we have seen with past Highlights winners, your photographs about the health stories that speak to you capture important moments in clinical and global health. Last year's beautiful selection of winning photographs included images about neonatal care in Africa, the work of midwives in Afghanistan, the life of sex workers in India, and the importance of community health workers in bringing health care to homes.

We are interested in photographs from any country and invite readers to submit photographs to Highlights 2015 that capture any health issue in a thought-provoking way. As in previous years, *The Lancet* and *The Lancet Global Health* will run the competition together. Winning photographs will be published in *The Lancet's* final issue of 2015 and might also be selected for the front cover of *The Lancet Global Health*.

Each entry should be submitted with 300 accompanying words that put the image in context. Submissions should not have been previously published in print or online. If a person or patient is featured then you must obtain

and keep written consent from the individual or, where this is not an option, their next of kin. Please complete the patient consent section of the author statements form while retaining copies of the signed forms. We also encourage you to submit any additional media to support your submission online, such as video or audio features.

All photographs—colour or black and white—should be submitted through our online editorial submission system, along with the required text and any supporting material for online publication. Please select *Lancet* Photograph as the article type. If a digital camera is used please set it to the highest possible quality setting and submit images as JPEG files. If you are using a film camera please submit an 8×11 inch glossy print to *The Lancet* in the post. The entries will be judged by *Lancet* editors and there will be a £300 prize for winning entries. The deadline for entries is Nov 12, 2015. So share your photos with *The Lancet* and *The Lancet Global Health*: we look forward to seeing what health stories you capture.

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