Dr. Alun Davies is a public engagement practitioner/researcher working on several international collaborations. Dr. Davies draws on participatory action research to co-design, implement and evaluate engagement. Of note, over the last decade he has worked closely with Kenyan teachers to develop and implement an award-winning school engagement programme which facilitates engagement activities between health researchers and over 4000 students annually from over 50 schools across Kenya. Dr. Davies provides technical support for KWTRPs engagement programme (including Covid-19 vaccine trials) and leads the evaluation of public engagement drawing on Theories of Change and mixed-methods, combining quantitative and qualitative methods with participatory visual methods. The latter has enabled him to produce several video and animation tools to support engagement and research. Dr. Davies collaborates with researchers across LMICs on a range of engagement and research projects, including: Lead of the WHO Technical Advisory Group for Good Participatory Practice with Covid-19 vaccine research, YAAR Co-lead (Youth Against Antimicrobial Resistance), Co-investigator for The REACH Public Engagement, Funding committee member of the Wellcome Trust Public Engagement Research Enrichment scheme and the NIHR community engagement & involvement (CEI) reviewer community of practice.

«Drawing from international experience of community engagement with research, towards supporting engagement for large platform Covid-19 vaccine trials»

In this presentation Dr. Davies will describe a broad-based strategy for engaging communities with health research in Kenya and other countries, outlining the range of approaches, community groups engaged and engagement goals addressed. From this he will describe how lessons drawn from these and other international approaches have fed to the development of tools to support engagement for Covid-19 trials.

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