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Research Principles and Research Experiences: Critical Reflection on Conducting a PhD Dissertation on Global Health and Disability

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Abstract: Global health research (GHR) has the potential to confront health inequities, yet there is substantial reason to believe that this potential is often not achieved in practice. Through my PhD research, I aspired to confront inequity by collaborating with groups of persons with disabilities in Western Zambia to produce research that had meaningful benefits for the participants. However, my research experience diverged greatly from my aspirations. In particular, the research was far less collaborative than foreseen, and there were no obvious benefits for the participants. In order to better understand the gap between my aspirations and my experience, I reviewed my PhD research using the Principles for GHR, as developed by the Canadian Coalition for Global Health Research (CCGHR). In this presentation I will discuss the insights gleaned from the review, while highlighting implications for researchers aspiring to address inequities and apply the CCGHR Principles for GHR.