

The Center is committed to working in partnership with local youth to understand and help address public health challenges affecting them and their communities. To this end, the Center has created a Youth Advisory Council, established to empower youth by creating opportunities for them to lead, and to provide advice and recommendations. We believe in the capacity of young adults. We aspire to integrate their perspectives and to utilize existing expertise, resources, and assets in the community.

*"Young people should be at the forefront of global change and innovation. Empowered, they can be key agents for development and peace. If, however, they are left on society's margins, all of us will be impoverished. Let us ensure that all young people have every opportunity to participate fully in the lives of their societies." -Kofi Annan*