SickKids Centre for Global Child Health
Commitment Statement – National Academy of Medicine Action Collaborative on Decarbonizing the U.S. Health Sector

[The Hospital for Sick Children (SickKids) Centre for Global Child Health](#)'s mission is to improve the lives of children and their families in resource-poor environments through collaboration in ground-breaking research, sustainable capacity building through education, and by informing policy through the active use of advocacy, knowledge synthesis and knowledge translation. [Dr. Zulfiqar A. Bhutta](#) is the Inaugural Robert Harding Chair in Global Child Health at SickKids and directs research activities for the Centre. The Centre's research teams plan research studies that investigate pressing global child health issues and execute the research and evaluation at collaborative field sites in Africa, the Caribbean, South America and South-Asia. In addition to its research work, the Centre also has capacity building programs, collaborations that are focused on the translation and management of knowledge to impact child health policy and education programs.

SickKids Centre for Global Child Health Co-Director Dr. Zulfiqar Bhutta and his team will lead efforts to undertake a series of research studies to better understand the effects of climate change on maternal and child health globally, and especially in low- and middle-income countries, and to assess the effectiveness of interventions and innovations to address those effects. This work will help to empower advocacy efforts as well as inform policy related to climate action in global child health.

An increase in research focused on climate change and global child health is listed as part of the Centre's 2022-2023 objectives. As a Network Organization, the Centre will stand committed to supporting the priority areas of the action collaborative on decarbonizing the U.S. health sector. Additionally, the Centre strives to address climate change and protect human health, well-being, and equity through its research efforts.