

Janet Hatcher Roberts



Janet Hatcher Roberts has extensive experience in the areas of international public health policy, health systems strengthening capacity building and research. She spent 2008 in Geneva where she was Director of the Migration Health Department with the International Organization for Migration. Later, she returned to Ottawa to resume her position as the Executive Director of the Canadian Society for International Health (CSIH) where she oversaw the design and implementation of global health systems strengthening projects in Africa, Asia, Latin and Central America and Eastern Europe from 1997 to 2013.

Currently, Janet is the Co-Director of the WHO Collaborating Centre on Technology Assessment, Knowledge Translation and Health Equity with the Centre for Global Health at the University of Ottawa. She is an Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Medicine and Affiliate Scientist at the Institute for Population Health at the University of Ottawa where she co-coordinates a graduate course in global health and collaborates on global health research. Also, she is Adjunct Professor to the Department of Community Health and Epidemiology Dalhousie University where she assists in the development of global health courses.

Over the past three decades, she has been involved in the design, monitoring and evaluation of global health and development and gender and health programmes and projects at IDRC, CIDA, CIHR (Institute on Gender and Health), the Public Health Agency of Canada and Health Canada. She also brings technical expertise, including approaches to strengthening health systems, women's health, and public health systems and development.

In her volunteer time, Janet was the Chair of the Board for Action Canada for Population Development and was a Board member and Past Treasurer of the Canadian Coalition for Global Health Research. She is presently a Board member of the US-based Council of Graduate Foreign Nurses (CGFNS). In 2009, she was appointed by an Order in Council as Board member to Public Health Ontario (PHO) where she also sits on the Strategic Planning Committee. She is currently on the Board of Make Poverty History.