

The BIPAI network recently lost **Dr. Peter Nicholas Kazembe**, founding executive director of Baylor College of Medicine Children's Foundation-Malawi.

Kazembe, often considered the "grandfather of pediatrics" in Malawi, made monumental contributions to the health of children and families in Malawi and beyond over his decades-long career. He was instrumental in the development of pediatrics as a specialty in Malawi. His collaborations and mentorship impacted the careers of thousands of doctors and health professionals, who now provide stellar pediatric care throughout Africa and beyond.



Dr. Peter Kazembe Memorial Fund

Texas Children's Hospital has created a Dr. Peter Kazembe Memorial Fund to extend his legacy of ensuring care for the most vulnerable children in Malawi. Kazembe was Malawi's first and only neonatologist for many years. He would arrive early each day to make voluntary rounds at the Ethel Mutharika Kangaroo Ward at Kamuzu Central Hospital (KCH).

Funds raised will benefit Texas Children's efforts towards neonatal care and training in Malawi at KCH and the Jan Duncan Center of Excellence for Women at Area 25 District Hospital.

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In honor of Kazembe's work, he will be posthumously awarded the **American Academy of Pediatrics 2020 Hillman-Olness Award** for lifetime service and lasting contributions to global child health. The award will be presented on October 5.

Read more about Dr. Kazembe's contributions to global health ([story](#)) and hear from those who learned from this amazing leader ([video](#)).

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