GLOBAL WELLNESS INSTITUTE
AT A GLANCE
EMPOWERING WELLNESS WORLDWIDE
WHO WE ARE

The Global Wellness Institute (GWI) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with a mission to empower wellness worldwide by educating the public and private sectors about preventative health and wellness. GWI’s research, programs, and initiatives have been instrumental in the growth of the USD $4.5 trillion wellness economy—and in uniting the health and wellness industries. Through its five pillars—Research, Initiatives, Roundtable Discussions, WellnessEvidence.com and The Wellness Moonshot: A World Free of Preventable Disease—the GWI informs and connects key stakeholders capable of impacting the overall wellbeing of our planet and its citizens.

The GWI makes all of its valuable information and resources available at no cost, which allows anyone, anywhere, access.

MISSION

TO EMPOWER WELLNESS WORLDWIDE BY:
• Facilitating collaboration across the health and wellness industries
• Offering proprietary global research, analysis and information
• Inspiring innovation in services and products and advocating for industry growth and sustainable practices

VISION

A well world free of preventable disease.

GET INVOLVED

Empowering wellness worldwide begins with your support. As a nonprofit, educational foundation, the Global Wellness Institute relies on the financial contributions of its strategic alliances, research partners, Ambassadors, and supporters. Thanks to this support, the Institute is able to continue its work transforming the health and wellness of people, communities and the planet.

To learn more and get involved, visit: globalwellnessinstitute.org/join-us.
Researchers, journalists, academics, governments, businesses and thought leaders look to the Global Wellness Institute as the global resource for research and education in the USD $4.5 trillion global wellness economy. The GWI research team initiates, gathers and trumpets quality research, which the Institute shares freely on the GWI website. Each year the Institute produces global statistics for the wellness economy and has been responsible for defining its sectors. These segments include the spa industry, wellness tourism, thermal/mineral springs, workplace wellness, wellness lifestyle real estate, fitness and mind-body, preventive and personalized medicine, public health, beauty and anti-aging, complementary and alternative medicine, and healthy eating, nutrition and weight loss. In addition to analyzing the wellness economy, the GWI commissions research on various topics of interest that energize the growth of the global wellness economy. The Global Wellness Institute also curates research from other credible sources, sometimes in direct partnership, and makes this data and information easily accessible on globalwellnessinstitute.org.
The Global Wellness Institute supports a wide range of important industry initiatives that further the growth of the various sectors of the wellness economy. Each GWI Initiative is led by an Initiative Chair, who is well known in his/her particular area of expertise. GWI initiatives demonstrate the breadth and depth of both the industry, and the Institute. Each Initiative seeks to shape a project with a common goal to impact wellness throughout the world. This may take the form of a best practices manual, a campaign to raise awareness about an issue or an event, a project to impact wellness in a particular market segment or region of the world, or a way to innovate.

GWI INITIATIVES

- Africa Wellness
- Beyond GDP, World Happiness & Wellbeing
- Beauty Meets Wellness
- Consulting Best Practices
- Dying Well
- Digital Wellness
- Exploring Salt & Halotherapy
- First 1000 Days
- Hormonal Wellness
- Hot Springs
- Hydrothermal
- Immersion
- Massage Makes Me Happy
- Mental Wellness
- Peer to Peer Leadership Training
- Social Impact
- Sound Healing
- Supporting UN 17 SDG’S
- Sustainability
- Wellness Architecture
- Wellness At Work
- Wellness Coaching
- Wellness For Cancer
- Wellness For Children
- Wellness Retail
- Wellness Tourism
- Women In Leadership
- Yoga Therapy

RECENT INITIATIVE RESOURCES & REPORTS

- Mental Wellness: Pathways, Evidence and Horizons
- Ten Shifts Driving a New ‘Thrive’ Revolution at Work
- Guide to Hydrothermal Spa & Wellness Development Standards
- Mentorship Reflections: Guiding and Inspiring Spa Leadership for a Well World
- Wellness in the Age of the Smartphone
- Wellness for Cancer Infographic
- Wellness In Eastern Europe Infographic
- Wellness at Work Infographic
The GWI's global Roundtables are a forum for provocative conversations about the state of wellness in important industry sectors. Roundtable panelists anticipate and explore issues that will shape the future of wellness and collaborate on solutions to empower wellness worldwide and grow the wellness economy. These Roundtables bring together leaders from the fields of medicine, science, business, technology, journalism, research, media, academia, spa and hospitality, along with architecture, beauty, finance, government, fashion and more. Events have been held in locations around the globe, including London, New Delhi, New York, Marrakech, Wales, Miami and Hong Kong to name a few. A report is produced after each Roundtable and shared freely on globalwellnessinstitute.org.

SELECT GWI ROUNDTABLES

- Implications and Applications of the 2020 Global Wellness Trends (New York), 2020
- The Interplay of Fashion, Clean Beauty and Cancer (New York), 2020
- The Stress Economy (New York), 2019
- Beyond Sustainability (California), 2018
- Health Cities (Poland), 2018
- New Frontiers in Fitness, Mindbody and Wellness (New York), 2018
- Beauty Meets Wellness (Hong Kong, London and New York), 2017
- The Future of Wellness in the AEC Industry (New York), 2017
- Best Practises—Wellness in the Baltics (Latvia), 2017
- Wellness for Cancer (London), 2017
- Redefining What it Means to “Live Well” (New York), 2017
- Wellness Tourism 2.0 (Austria), 2016
- Senior Tourism Leaders (London), 2015
- Shifting Dynamics, Response over Function (Derby), 2015
- Workplace Wellness (Miami), 2015
- Re-Defining Workplace Wellness (New York), 2015
- Building a More “Well” Wales (Wales), 2015
- The Business of Wellness (New York), 2014
The GWI launched the first website to provide direct access to current medical evidence for the most popular wellness approaches. By providing open access to thousands of clinical studies that evaluate the effectiveness of a variety of wellness approaches—from acupuncture to weight loss to mindfulness—wellnessEvidence.com makes it easier for millions of people seeking alternative health solutions to research and evaluate information from the most authoritative sources of evidence-based medicine. This website serves the general public, the business community and the media. It is free and widely considered groundbreaking in its approach.

**Wellness Evidence**

**Wellness Moonshot**

In 2017, the GWI launched The Wellness Moonshot: A World Free of Preventable Disease by convening an international group of renowned leaders in wellness and medicine—all committed to collaborating on a mission of grave importance to the global community. The statistics that inspired The Wellness Moonshot are staggering: 69 percent of all deaths each year are a result of preventable disease, and 75 percent of healthcare costs are spent on preventable causes. The Global Wellness Institute believes an extraordinary, consistent effort on the part of governments, businesses and individuals will begin to make a measurable difference. The GWI’s goal is to aggregate information on a global scale, collaborate to share knowledge and eliminate silos between the health and wellness industries, and accelerate the pace of change to achieve significant results.

**Modalities Include:**
- Acupressure
- Acupuncture
- Aromatherapy
- Art Therapy
- Ayurveda
- Biofeedback
- CAM for Cancer
- Chiropractic
- Exercise
- Forest Bathing
- Hydrotherapy
- Manual Lymph Drainage
- Massage
- Meditation
- Music Therapy
- Nutritional Counseling
- Optimism
- Pilates
- Relaxation Therapy
- Sauna
- Sleep Health
- Smoking Cessation
- Stress Management
- Tai Chi
- Traditional Chinese Medicine
- Transcendental Meditation
- Weight Loss
- Workplace Wellness
- Yoga

**A World Free of Preventable Disease**

Global Wellness Institute partners with Prevention magazine in support of The Wellness Moonshot: A World Free of Preventable Disease.