

Technical Review Panel Member

Curriculum Vitae

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Qualifications

Qualification	Institution	Department	Year
MSc, Global Health Science	University of Oxford, United Kingdom	Public Health	2008
Certificate in Anti-Retroviral Therapy	Institute of Tropical Medicine, Antwerp, Belgium	ITM	2006
Fellowship of the West African College of Physicians	West African College of Physicians	Internal Medicine	2005
Member of the West African College of Physicians	Member of the West African College of Physicians (Internal Medicine)	Internal Medicine	2002
MBBS	University of Ilorin, Nigeria	Medicine and Surgery	1994

Employment History

Employer	Position	Place	Year
FHI 360	Director, HIV Technical Department	Washington, DC	2022-Present

FHI 360	Technical Director, EpiC Project	Washington, DC	2022-Present
FHI 360	Technical Director, LINKAGES Project	Washington, DC	2015-2021
FHI 360	Senior Technical Director, Clinical Services	Washington, DC	2015
Population Services International (PSI)	Senior Technical Director, HIV/TB	Washington, DC	2014-2015
Institute of Human Virology, University of Maryland Baltimore and Institute of Human Virology, Nigeria	Technical Advisor, Clinical Mentoring and Medical Education	Baltimore/Abuja, Nigeria	2010-2014
SRA International	Health Specialist Representative	Rockville, Maryland	2009-2010
WHO	HIV Intern	Geneva	2008
Medical Research Council (UK), Gambia	HIV/STI Research Clinician	Banjul, Gambia	2005-2007

Relevant Publications

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