Curriculum Vitae

Francis Nah Kateh, MD, MHA, MPS/HLS, FLCP ELWA Rehab. Community, Montserrado County Liberia, West Africa

EDUCATION

2009 **Certificate-** Healthcare Leadership and Administrative Decision Making Course, Center for Domestic Preparedness (FEMA) - Aniston, AL 2008 MPS/HSL –Master of Professional Studies in Homeland Security Leadership, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT 2004 **MHA**- Master of Health Administration, Governors State University, University Park, IL 1996-Internship- John F. Kennedy Memorial Medical Center, Sinkor, Monrovia, Liberia, West Africa 1995 **MD**- Doctor of Medicine, Spartan Health Sciences University, Vieux Fort, St. Lucia 1991 **BS-** Biology, MacMurray College, Jacksonville, IL

EXPERIENCE

Incident Management System, National Ebola Response, Liberia Telecommunication Building, 18th Street Sinkor, Monrovia, Liberia

<u>Deputy Incident Manager, Medical Response/Planning</u> (09/2014 to **Present**)

 Responsibilities: Provide leadership in developing and planning strategies to mitigate o the Trend of Ebola in Liberia. Serve as the head of the Thematic Areas in the Response and advice the Incident Manager on the medical response in containing Ebola Virus Disease. Provide daily briefings to the Incident Manager on what is going on around the country and the way forward in the containment.

Accomplishments:

• With the development of the *Community Care Center Strategy* and direct involvement in hands on approach to the counties'

- health teams, in collaboration with partners, an immediate interruption of the trend of EVD was observed.
- Developed the **RITE Strategy** (*Rapid Isolation and Treatment of Ebola*) which is now hailed by Dr. Tom Freiden, Director of CDC as the most efficient and effective strategy in fighting EVD.
- In collaboration with the Thematic Team, the Active Advance Case Search was developed and is being implemented leading to continuous success in the containment of EVD.
- Hands on approach have led to building the confidence of the various counties health teams around the country.
- Successful along with the Liberian Delegation headed by Hon.
 Armara Konneh in convincing the World Bank President and the Director of USAID on the Community Care Center and the Rapid Isolation and Treatment of Ebola Strategies in the provision of funding for implementation.

Jackson F. Doe Memorial Regional Referral Hospital, Tappita, Nimba County, Liberia, West Africa (Second Tertiary Hospital in Liberia, with a bed capacity of 206)

Medical Director/ Chief Executive Officer (08/2010 to 06/2015)

• Responsibilities: provide leadership and direct program development and implementation, establishing program standards and monitoring and evaluating quality of service delivery systems. Provide guidance to the Chief Medical Officer (CMO) and the Administrator in making sure that quality is not compromise. Liaise with the Ministry of Health & Social Welfare in fostering its healthcare agenda. Supervises budget activities and may maintain direct involvement in conflict/complaint resolution, staffing and personnel issues. Serve as secretary to the Board of Health.

Accomplishments:

- Successfully put into operation the First Modern Hospital in Liberia with a staff of over 200.
- Negotiated a Memorandum of Understanding with Korle Bu Teaching Hospital which has helped in the opening of the Hospital.
- Since operation, the Hospital has served over 50,000 new patients, with approximately 150, 000 visits, over 2200 surgeries and scanned over 900 patients.
- Proactively engaging the Ministry of Health and Social Welfare in meeting the needs of the Hospital.
- Proactively maximizing the relationship with the Peoples' Republic of China.

- Effectively and efficiently building a 'best practice' in terms of patient care and response to patients' need by staff.
- Renovated and refurbishing dilapidated buildings that are being used by staff.
- Established a relationship with the National Medical Association and other international partners
- Build a partnership that provided the 1st Craniotomy and Laminectomy in post war Liberia. Through this partnership in Canada, the Hospital has received the 1st forty footer container and additional containers are anticipated that will benefit the healthcare system of Liberia
- With the Team at Jackson F. Doe Memorial Regional Referral Hospital began Community Engagement in March of 2014 and constructed the First eight-bed Ebola Care Center the 2nd week of April, 2014.

Anson County Health Department, Wadesboro, North Carolina

Public Health Director (05/2004 to 08/2010)

• **Responsibilities**: provide leadership and direct program development and implementation, establishing program standards and monitoring and evaluating quality of service delivery systems. Supervises budget activities and may maintain direct involvement in conflict/complaint resolution, staffing and personnel issues. Serve as secretary to the Board of Health.

Accomplishments:

- Reduced infant mortality by 10% over two years through proactive parental education.
- Engaged county officials and community members in bridging some disparity gaps in the provision of health care services.
- Increased HIV/AIDS funding to the Department through grants.
- Restructured the Adult Health Program which turned it from financial deficit to making a profit in 12 months.
- Developed the Disaster and Response Plan for the Department.
- Restructured the front desk and files' room in making it more customers friendly.
- Optimized the visibility of the Health Department to the general public.
- Forged a cordial relationship between Regional Health Departments and the State's Health Department.
- Spearheaded the development of questionnaires, analyzed the data and writing of the Community Health Assessment for Anson County which is considered one of the best in the state.
- Negotiated a buy-out contract for a physician from a physician staffing agency.

Pfeiffer University Graduate Program, Health Administration, Charlotte, NC

Adjunct Professor (05/2008 to 03/11)

• **Responsibilities**: Taught Healthcare Law and Ethics, and International Healthcare Policy Development and Implementation

Ganta United Methodist Hospital, Gumpa City, Nimba County, Liberia, West Africa

Chief Medical Officer (02/98-05/01)

• **Responsibilities:** Provided leadership and worked with the Administrator and the Board on strategic planning. Worked on achieving high satisfaction from patients, ensuring patient safety and high-quality, cost-effective patient care; and establishing and monitoring measures to ensure excellence in clinical care.

Accomplishments:

- Completed the renovation of the entire hospital at a cost of over \$200,000 raised.
- Worked with USAID and UNICEF for the completion and subsequent dedication of a multimillion dollar Prosthesis and Orthosis Workshop.
- Provided the first equipped modern ambulance since the hospital inception in 1926.
- Raised over \$45,000.00 for the construction of a 25-bed Pediatrics/ Malnutrition Unit.
- Negotiated a payment scheme for the provision of medical services to Souke-Pa Oil and Rubber Plantation, Diecke, Guinea, West Africa.
- Established a partnership between the Illinois Great Rivers, North Carolina, Indiana and Minnesota Conferences of the United Methodist Church that brought about \$500,000.00 in development programs and equipments to both the Hospital and the Mission Station.
- Provided training opportunities for both medical and non-medical staff nationally and internationally.
- Raised the standard of the hospital as on of the best in the nation within two years.
- Provided free life- saving surgeries to over 200 needed Liberians through a relationship forged with professional colleagues in Green Bay, WI.
- Worked with the Director of the Government Supplies Agency in acquiring an 18-seated bus for the School of Nursing and a 250 KVA generator for the Hospital.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Fellow Liberia College of Physician & Surgeon
Liberia Public Health Association- President
Liberian Medical and Dental Association
North Carolina Association of Local Health Directors- Regional Representative
North Carolina Public Health Association
American College of Healthcare Executives
American Public Health Association
National Association of County and City Health Official (NACCHO), Chairperson,

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Exercise Committee (2006-2008)

Healthy Ansonians Co – Chairperson – 2004-2010 Smart Start Inc- Board Member -2004-2010 Rotary International- Member (Wadesboro Branch, NC) Board of Trustees, MacMurray College (2005-2007)

AWARDS

Distinguished Alumni Award for the Millennium (MacMurray College, Jacksonville, IL) 2000 ~Board of Higher Education – General Board of Global Ministries- United Methodist Church Distinguished Young Alumni Award – 2001, MacMurray College Community Leadership Award- 2006, Spencer United Methodist Church, Charlotte, NC

OUTSIDE INTEREST

Soccer, bicycling, singing and cooking

Brief Bio of Dr. Kateh

Dr. Francis Kateh is one of Liberia's leading health professional and the Deputy Minister for Health Services, Chief Medical Officer Republic of Liberia . He earned a Certificate in Healthcare Leadership and Administrative Decision Making from the Center for Domestic Preparedness (FEMA) - Aniston, AL, Master of Professional Studies in Homeland Security Leadership, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT, Master of Health Administration, Governors State University, University Park, IL and a Doctor of Medicine degree from Spartan Health Sciences University, Vieux Fort, St. Lucia

His passion for quality health care delivery to the people of Liberia cannot be overemphasized. He has provided leadership and management to a wide range of health policies and strategies. His interest is to provide high satisfaction to patients and ensure patient safety. He has proven skills in running cost-effective patient care and establishing monitoring measures to ensure excellence in clinical care.

Dr. Kateh served as Deputy Incident Manager for Medical Response/Planning. He developed strategies to mitigate the Trend of Ebola in Liberia. Paramount among those was the *Community Care Center Strategy* and the **RITE Strategy** (*Rapid Isolation and Treatment of Ebola*) which is now hailed by Dr. Tom Freiden, Director of CDC as the most efficient and effective strategy in fighting EVD.