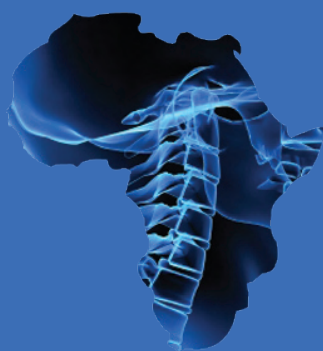


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Challenges in Implementation in Developing Countries

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Dear Members, Colleagues and Guests,

It is my utmost honor to welcome you to the 9th Annual Healthcare Summit of the Ghana Physicians and Surgeons Foundation. It is always exciting to come together as a group to share ideas and discuss ways of giving back to our mother nation, Ghana. The 8th Annual Summit last year served, not only the above purposes, but also provided an occasion for reflection and introspection. We examined our activities, celebrated our successes and took a critical look at our shortcomings.

Several important facts became more apparent: We have a hefty brainpower of health care professionals, we are involved in important educational, patient care and research projects in Ghana and a large majority of us were looking for further opportunities to contribute to these projects. However, we lacked coordination, collaboration and information sharing; the three key elements needed for synergistic impact of our activities particularly on postgraduate medical education and health care delivery in Ghana. We fell short in our efforts to draw younger health care professionals to the Foundation and failed to emphasize the needs of this important subgroup. These observations served as the basis of the theme for this year's conference and also mapped out the path of my tenure as president of this Foundation.

Before enumerating the accomplishments and challenges of our term in office, I would like to recognize the successes our predecessors. The structure, function, strength and integrity of the Ghana Physicians and Surgeons Foundation rest on the shoulders of our founding members. They have created the backbone for a forward-thinking and mission-driven organization. With their relentless dedication we have continued to flourish. I take this opportunity to acknowledge our past presidents, Drs. Oheneba Boakye-Adjei (Professor of orthopedic surgery and Chief of Scoliosis Service, New York-Presbyterian Hospital, Cornell University), Kwaku Ohene-Frempong (Professor of Pediatrics and Director of the Comprehensive Sickle Cell Center, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, University of Pennsylvania), Alex Twum Boafo (Associate Professor of Obstetrics/Gynecology, Albert Einstein University, NY), Kwasi Debra (Cosmetic Surgeon and CEO, Aesthetic and Laser Vein Center, Bowie, MD), Thadeus Ulzen (Professor and Chair, Department of Psychiatry and Interim Dean, School of Community Health Sciences, University of Alabama), Augustine Mireku Boateng (Former Professor of Urology, Howard University, MD) and Yosef Kwamie (Consultant Psychiatrist, Lakeridge Health, Ontario, Canada). These gentlemen did not only commit to their terms of office; they have continued to work actively with the current executive in the administration of the Foundation.

Members are well aware of the primary mission of this Foundation: to support postgraduate medical education in Ghana through multidisciplinary programs. To fulfill this mission we continue to work with our counterparts in Ghana on several projects including an Annual Continuing Medical Education (CME), serve as external faculty and external examiners in the Ghana Medical Schools and collaborate in basic science and clinical research projects based in

Ghana. We are also actively engaged in collaborative work with teams in Ghana in building capacity for sustainable health care delivery programs in several teaching and regional hospitals. Recently some of our members have been involved in deliberations geared toward the development of new fellowship programs such as critical care medicine and emergency medicine. We have hosted and provided mentorship for Ghanaian graduate and postgraduate medical students undertaking elective clerkships here in the United States. These collaborative efforts must be nurtured so they can grow into a larger network capable of creating strong academic ties. For this reason, in attendance at this year's conference is a strong delegation from Ghana. This group includes high-level officials from the Ghana College of Physicians and Surgeons, Ghana Medical Schools, Ministry of Health, Ghana Medical and Dental Council and the Ghana Health Service. In demonstration of his support of our efforts, His Excellency Ambassador Daniel Ohene Agyekum, Ghana's Ambassador to the United States is the guest of honor of this year's conference.

As we grow in size and our activities become more complex our challenges have become more daunting. We currently have well over 400 members listed in our database, several collaborators and three active projects. Over the years we have had no administrative support, our financial resources have been very limited and we depend entirely on the voluntary efforts of the executive. These limitations mitigate growth and success. In order to accomplish our mission two absolutes must be met. First, dues must be paid; second, more dedicated volunteerism from our members. We are actively recruiting younger, energetic members with fresh ideas and our executive has been working tirelessly to set up a resilient administrative framework to run the Foundation. Nothing succeeds for long without considerable effort and constant vigilance. I therefore enjoin your diligent commitment to the Foundation. We need your ideas and your time all year round and we need dues to be paid in time.



This year's conference theme, Continuing Medical Education and Healthcare Maintenance: Challenges in implementation in Developing Countries, represents our continued commitment to partnership with our counterparts in Ghana. It brings together a diverse group of experts in the field of medicine, education, health care policy and economics. We expect that our deliberations will not only enhance our knowledge but also lead to development of a working document that will impact on health policy and health care education in Ghana.

I would be remiss if I did not include my colleagues on the executive, Drs. Moses Aboagye-Kumi, President-Elect, James Aikins, Vice President, Elijah Paintsil, Secretary and Nii Tetteh, Treasurer, in the group of individuals who have worked diligently to make our successes possible. I urge you all to redouble your efforts to fulfill our vision of becoming a Foundation of international repute.

Thank you for joining us again this year and it is my hope that this conference will be a delightful experience for all.

Dr. George Ofori-Amanfo

FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 2011

DATE AND TIME	ITEM	SPEAKER
2:30 - 3:40 pm	Registration	
3:40 - 3:50 pm	Opening Remarks	Dr. George Ofori-Amanfo President, GPSF
	CME Moderator	Dr. Moses Aboagye-Kumi, President Elect, GPSF
3:50 - 4:05 pm	Relationship between Maternal characteristics, Diabetes, and Hypertension in resource poor communities in Ghana	Dr. Alex Kojo Anderson Dept. of Foods & Nutrition University of Georgia Athens
4:05 - 4:20 pm	Time to and predictors of CD4+ T-Lymphocytes recovery in HIV-infected children initiating antiretroviral therapy in Ghana	Ms. Meghan Prin Medical Student, UMDNJ-Robertwood Johnson Medical School New Brunswick, NJ
4:20 - 4:35 pm	Physician's role in oral health	Dr. Dan Otchere Dental Consultant Region of Peel Health Dept. Ontario CA
4:35 - 4:50 pm	Panel Discussion	Dr. Anderson, Ms. Prin & Dr. Otchere
4:50 - 5:05 pm	BREAK	
5:05 - 5:35pm	Guidelines for essential trauma care and its application in Ghana	Dr. Anthony Forestine, Assist. Professor of Emergency Medicine , Seton Hall Univ. Sch. of Health & Medical Science NJ
5:35 - 6:05pm	Is Intravascular Hemolysis a Silent killer in tropical Africa?	Dr. Solomon Ofori-Acquah Assist. Professor Pediatrics Emory Univ. Sch. Of Med
6:05 - 6:35pm		
PICK ONE	6:35 - 7:20pm	Junior Physicians/Trainees: Career Navigation Challenges
	6:35 - 7:30pm	Business Meeting
8:00 - 12:00am	RECEPTION	Shout Restaurant 1197 Peachtree St. NE Atlanta

SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2011

DATE AND TIME	ITEM	SPEAKER
7:15 - 7:50 am	Registration and Breakfast	
7:50 - 8:05 am	Welcome Address	Dr. George Ofori-Amanfo, President, GPSF
	CME Moderator	Dr. James Aikins Vice President, GPSF
8:05 - 8:35 am	Healthcare Delivery in Ghana	H.E. Daniel Ohene Agyekum Ghana's Ambassador to US
8:35 - 9:05 am	Continuing Medical Education and Use of Medicines : Ghana	Dr. Ofori-Adjei, Rector Ghana College of Physicians and Surgeons
9:05 - 9:35 am	Evolution of Medical Student Education in Ghana: Focus on Healthcare Maintenance	Prof. T. Agbenyega, Former Dean of School of Medical Science, Kumasi
9:35 - 10:05 am	Strengthening Health Systems in Ghana to achieve the MDG's: The Role of Diaspora	Dr. Frank Nyonator, Director Policy Planning, monitoring & evaluations Ghana Health Service
10:05 - 10:20 am	BREAK	
10:20 - 10:50am	The Control of Medical & Dental Practice in Ghana	Dr. Kofi Osae Adadey Chair, Ghana Medical & Dental Council
10:50 - 12:00 Noon	Open Forum: -Issues involved in Healthcare delivery in Ghana -Engaging the College, Medical & Dental Council and Ghana Health Service	Moderator Dr. Moses Aboagye-Kumi, President Elect, GPSF
12:00 - 1:15 pm	LUNCH	
	CME Moderator	Dr. Elijah Paintsil Secretary GPSF
1:15 - 1:45 pm	Emergency Medicine Education and Practice in Developing Countries	Dr. Conrad Buckle Vice President Ghana Doctors & Dentists Assoc. UK
1:45 - 2:15 pm	Cervical Cancer Screening in Developing Countries: The Ghana Experience	Dr. James Aikins, Vice President ,GPSF

SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2011 CONT...

DATE AND TIME	ITEM	SPEAKER
2:15 - 2:45 pm	Diabetes in Developing Countries: Are we up to the challenge?	Dr. Ernest Asamoah, Assistant Professor of Medicine, Indiana University School of Medicine
2:45 - 3:15 pm	Medical Errors: Malpractice or Negligence	Dr. George Ofori-Amanfo President, GPSF
3:15 - 3:30 pm	Panel Discussion	Drs. Buckle, Aikins, Asamoah And Ofori-Amanfo
3:30 - 3:45 pm	BREAK	
3:45 - 4:15 pm	The Ghana-Yale Partnership in Global Infectious Diseases Research: a model for bidirectional capacity building	Dr. Michael Cappello Prof. Pediatrics, Microbial Pathogenesis & Public Health, Yale School of Medicine
4:15 - 5:15 pm	The Burden & Stigma of Mental Illnesses	Dr. Thad Ulzen Interim Dean and Prof. & Chair Department of Psychiatry. & Behavioral Medicine, Univ. Of Alabama Sch of Med.
5:15 - 5:45 pm	Management of Atrial Fibrillation	Dr. Joseph Poku Georgia Arrhythmia Consultants, Macon, GA
5:45 - 6:00	Canadian Challenges in Organizing Short Term Training For Ghanaian Physicians	Dr. Jocelyne Lapointe, Chair Education Committee KBNF
6:00 - 6:15 PM	Panel Discussion	Drs. Cappello, Ulzen, Poku and Lapointe
6:15 - 6:25 pm	Break	
6:25 - 7:00 pm	Elections and Other GPSF News	Dr. George Ofori-Amanfo President, GPSF
7:00 - 7:30 pm	Executive Council Meeting	Dr. George Ofori-Amanfo
8:00pm - 1:00 am	Dinner Dance	Dr. Nii Tetteh Treasurer GPSF

SUNDAY, APRIL 17, 2011

DATE AND TIME	ITEM	SPEAKER
8:30 - 10:30 am	Business Meeting	New President, GPSF

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1. Guidelines for Essential Trauma Care in Ghana

Speaker: Dr. Anthony Forestine

- To review the core principles needed in providing emergency care to trauma victims
- To analyze the implementation process and its execution as it applies to Ghana, West Africa

2. Is Intravascular Hemolysis a Silent Killer in Tropical Africa?

Speaker: Dr. Solomon Ofori-Acquah

- Heme is a danger associated molecular pattern (DAMP) molecule.
- The plasma scavenging capacity for circulating heme is compromised in large populations in tropical Africa
- Heme causes sudden death by triggering a novel form of severe acute lung injury

3. Continuing Medical Education and the Use of Medicines In Ghana

Speaker: Dr. Ofori-Adjei

- The effect of national health insurance scheme on drug use patterns
- The role of educational interventions in improving the use of medicines
- The process of selecting medicines as a CME tool

4. Evolution of Medical Student Education in Ghana Focus on Health Care Maintenance

Speaker: Dr. T. Agbenyega

- Changing needs of the patient community
- Increasing number of Students
- Changes in the curriculum to meet the changing needs

5. Strengthening Health Systems in Ghana to Achieve the MDG's: The Role of the Diaspora

Speaker: Dr. Nyonator

- Appraised on the overview of health systems in Ghana
- Appreciate the key challenges to address them
- Discuss the support of Ghanaian health community in the Diaspora can give to the on going process

6. The control of Medical and Dental Practice in Ghana

Speaker: Dr. Kofi Osae Adadey

- To highlight the laws governing the practice of medicine and Dentistry in Ghana
- To enlighten practitioners on relevant provisions of medical and dental act 1972 NRCD,91





7. Emergency Medicine Education and Practice in Developing Countries

Speaker: Dr. Conrad Buckle

- To present a review of international emergency medicine past and present
- To discuss some current models of emergency medicine education and practice in developing countries
- To discuss some of the challenges of emergency medicine education and practice in developing countries

8. Cervical Cancer Screening Methods in Developing Countries: The Ghana Experience

Speaker: Dr. James Aikins

- To discuss the available screening methods for cervical cancer in developing countries
- Incorporate into clinical practice an algorithm for the management of cervical dysplasia's/cancer

9. Diabesity in Developing Countries – Are we up to the challenge?

Speaker: Dr. Ernest Asamoah

- Know the prevalence and growing incidence of obesity and its comorbid conditions – especially diabetes in developing countries
- Understand the impact of diabetes on individuals, families and the society as a whole

10. Medical Errors : Malpractice or Negligence

Speaker: Dr. George Ofori-Amanfo

- Understand the different aspects of medical errors
- Tools for medical error prevention

11. The Ghana-Yale Partnership in Global Infectious Diseases Research: a model for bidirectional capacity building

Speaker: Dr. Michael Cappello

- To provide overview of the health impact of infectious disease in Africa
- To describe an effort to partner academic institutions in Ghana with Yale University

12. The Burden and Stigma of Mental Illness

Speaker: Dr. Thad

- Recognize the comparative burdens of psychiatric and common medical conditions
- Relate the dimensions and implications of stigma suffered by patients with mental illness, in the workplace and throughout the lifecycle
- Review the neurobiological basis of common psychiatric illnesses

13. Management of Atrial Fibrillation

Speaker: Dr. Joseph Poku

- Understand the role of anticoagulation in atrial fibrillation
- Understand the pharmacologic and none pharmacologic management of atrial fibrillation

IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER

Francisca Abanyie M.D., MPH



TITLE: Pediatric Infectious Diseases Fellow

INSTITUTION: Emory University School of Medicine

LOCATION: **Atlanta, GA**

SPECIALTY: Pediatrics

CERTIFICATION DATES:

Pediatric Board Certification

October 2009

SUBSPECIALTY: Infectious Diseases

POST-GRADUATE TRAINING:

Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, GA

2009 - present

St. Christopher's Hospital for Children, Philadelphia PA

2006 - 2009

HONORS AND AWARDS

Delta Omega- National Public Health Honor Society.

2004.

UMDNJ-School of Public Health's Goldstein Award for Academic Excellence.

Graduated with 4.0 GPA from Masters in Public Health Program.

2004.

Rutgers University, Livingston College Senior Class Dean's Award.

2001.

Rutgers University, Livingston College Dean's Scholar.

1999-2001.

Golden Key National Honor Society Member.

1999-2001

PUBLICATIONS

Ross AC, Camacho-Gonzalez A, Henderson S, *Abanyie F*, Chakraborty R. The HIV-Infected Adolescent. Current Infectious Disease Reports 2010; 12(1): 63-70

Williams JM, Ziedonis DM, *Abanyie F*, Steinberg ML, Foulds J, and Benowitz NL. Increased nicotine and cotinine levels in smokers with schizophrenia and schizoaffective disorder is not a metabolic effect. Schizophrenia Research 2005 Nov 15; 79(2-3):323-35.

Moses Aboagye-Kumi, M.D., FACP · FACULTY ·

TITLE: Medical Director

INSTITUTION: Fresenius Dialysis Units
LOCATION: **Fayetteville, NC**
SPECIALTY: Nephrology
Primary Care

POST-GRADUATE TRAINING

Brown University Medical School – Internal Medicine Residency 1996 – 1999
Brown University Medical School – Nephrology Fellowship 2004 – 2006

POSITIONS:

Nephrologist 2006 – Present
Clinical Assistant Professor - Brown Medical School 2001 – 2004
Medical Director – Fresenius Dialysis Units - Fayetteville, NC Present



Kofi Osae Adadey, M.D., DTPH, MOH

TITLE: Chair, Ghana Medical and Dental Council

INSTITUTION: Ghana Medical and Dental Council
LOCATION: **Ghana**
SPECIALTY: Occupational Health

POST-GRADUATE TRAINING:

University of London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine 1975
Fellow West African College of Physicians
Fellow Ghana College of Physicians and Surgeons
Fellow Ghana Medical Association

FACULTY POSITION:

Senior Medical Officer 1978 – 1980
University College Hospital, Ibadan, Nigeria

Asst Chief Medical Officer 1981 – 1982
Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation

Deputy Chief Medical Officer 1983 – 1985
Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation

Regional Director of Health Services 1985 - 1991
Western Region

Regional Director of Health Services 1991 - 2004
Greater Accra Region

Treasurer 1996 - 2006
Ghana Medical and Dental Council

Lecturer in Occupational Health 1997 – 2004
University of Ghana Medical School



Dr. Tsiri Agbenyega

Trained at the School of Medical Sciences, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology. He received a Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery (MBChB) in 1982. After working for five years at the Komfo Anokye Teaching Hospital, he did his graduate training in physiology at the University of Manchester (UK) from where he received a PhD in 1991.

He is currently a Professor in the Department of Physiology in the School of Medical Sciences (SMS) and a Principal Medical Officer at the Department of Child Health, Komfo Anokye Teaching Hospital (KATH). He served as Dean of the School of Medical School from April 2002 to September 2008.

He started his research career in muscle physiology but had to change his research focus when he developed a keen interest in the patho-physiology of malaria. He has since 1993, been involved in malaria research and currently heads the malaria research unit in the Department of Child Health at KATH.

He has collaborated with local and foreign partners in studies funded by NIH, Wellcome Trust, World Health Organization and the Gates Foundation. He is currently a PI on a Phase III clinical trial of a candidate malaria vaccine at the Agogo Presbyterian Hospital. This trial is funded by the Gates foundation through the PATH-Malaria Vaccine Initiative.

Daniel Ohene Agyekum

AMBASSADOR

Date of Birth:	March 10, 1942	SCHOOLS ATTENDED (Educational Background and Qualifications)
Place of Birth:	Juaso Ashanti	
Marital Status:	Married with five (5) children	
Religion:	Christian	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Achimota Secondary School: 1956 - 1962 (G.C.E. O' & A' LEVELS) • University of Ghana: 1962 - 1965 B.A. (Hons) History

COURSES PURSUED

Postgraduate Diploma in International Relations & Diplomacy - GIMPA: (1965 - 1966)
 International Certificate in Diplomacy - Australian National University: (1970)
 SCAAP (Special Commonwealth Assistance Programme)

WORK EXPERIENCE & POSITIONS HELD

- Appointed into the Ghana Foreign Service as FSO A5 August (1965)
- Seconded to the Ghana Civil Service as District Administrative Officer in Ashanti (1966 - 1969)
- Posted to Ghana Embassy in Tel Aviv, Israel, as First Secretary (1971 - 1974)
- Reposted to Base as FSO A3 (1974 - 1976)
- Served in Ghana Embassy in Copenhagen (1976 - 1981)
- Promoted to Foreign Service Officer A2 (1978)
- Reposted to Accra as Deputy Director - Middle East & Asia Divisions (1981-1982)
- Seconded to the PNDC as Advisor on Foreign Relations (1982 - 1983)
- Seconded to Eastern Region as Regional Secretary (1983 - 1986)
- Promoted to FSO A1 (1985)
- Appointed Ghana High Commissioner to Canada: (December 1986 - March 1992)
- Acting Ashanti Regional Secretary PNDC: (April 1992 - December 1992)
- Acting Ashanti Regional Minister: (January 1993 - March 1993)
- Ashanti Regional Minister: (1993 - 1998)
- Greater Accra Regional Minister: (1998 - 1999)
- Minister for Chieftaincy Affairs and State Protocol: (1999 - December 2000)
- Ashanti NDC Regional Chairman: (2005 - 2008)

Daniel Ohene Agyekum cont.

Conferences/Seminars

- Attended several Diplomatic conferences and Member/Leader of Ghana's delegation to Montreal Protocol on OZONE LAYER.
- International Financial Leasing – Montreal
- UNDP Conference on Environment - Nairobi

James K. Aikins M.D., FACOG, FACS, FGCS

TITLE: Associate Professor of OB/GYN;
Program Director, Gynecologic Oncology Fellowship Program;
Division Head Research Dept. OB/GYN

INSTITUTION: Cooper University Hospital/ Robert Wood Johnson Medical School (Camden)

LOCATION: **Camden, NJ**

PROGRAM DIRECTOR: Gynecologic Oncology Fellowship

SUBSPECIALTY: Gynecologic Oncology

POST-GRADUATE TRAINING:

Gynecologic Oncology Fellowship, Division of Gynecologic Oncology, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania Medical Center, Philadelphia, PA

Administrative Chief Resident Obstetrics and Gynecology residency – UMDNJ/Robert Wood Johnson Medical School at Camden, Cooper Hospital/ University Medical Center Camden, New Jersey

Obstetrics and Gynecology Residency - UMDNJ/Robert Wood Johnson Medical School at Camden, Cooper Hospital/University Medical Center, Camden, New Jersey

University of Pennsylvania Philadelphia PA

FACULTY POSITION

Associate Professor of OB/GYN, Department of OB/GYN, Division of Gynecologic Oncology, UMDNJ/Robert Wood Johnson Medical School at Camden

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Founder and Medical Director International Healthcare Volunteers Inc. is a non-profit, 501-C organization that provides healthcare to women and their families in underserved areas of our global community. Also, provide ongoing medical education seminars for physicians, resident physicians and healthcare professionals in underserved areas.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Numerous awards for excellence in teaching medical students, residents and fellows. Humanitarian of the Year from Chapel of 4 Chaplains, Friends of Cape Coast - USA and Top Doc in New Jersey, just to mention a few.

First Place Award for Poster Presentation (Recurrent Cervical Dysplasia Following Spontaneous Regression After Delivery) at the Society of Gynecologic Oncology 30th Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, March 1999.

PUBLICATIONS - Extensive publication in various peer review journals



Alex Kojo Anderson, M.D.

TITLE: Assistant Professor

INSTITUTION: The University of Georgia
 LOCATION: **Athens, Georgia**
 SPECIALTY: Maternal and Child Nutrition/Health, Community Nutrition
 FACULTY POSITION: Assistant Professor in the Department of Foods and Nutrition, College of Family and Consumer Sciences, University of Georgia

HONORS AND AWARDS

Travel Award	Coca-Cola Travel Grant/19 th International Congress of Nutrition, BITEC, Bangkok, Thailand	International	2009
Foreign Travel Assistance	UGA-OVPR	University	2009
Outstanding Advisor of the Year	Department of Foods and Nutrition	Department	2007
Faculty Development Fund	Board on Human Sciences	National	2007
Post-doctoral Research Award	Canadian Institute of Health Research (CIHR)	International	2005
Best Poster Presentation	College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, University of Connecticut	University	2005
Travel Award	International Society for Research in Human Milk and Lactation	International	2004
Travel Award	International Society for Research in Human Milk and Lactation	International	2002

Ernest Asamoah, M.D., FACP, FACE, FRCP

TITLE: Clinical Assistant Professor

INSTITUTION: Indiana University School of Medicine
 LOCATION: **Indianapolis**
 SPECIALTY: Internal Medicine
 Endocrinology

POST-GRADUATE TRAINING:	Fellow of the Ghana College Physicians
University of Ghana Medical School MBChB Accra, Ghana	American Thyroid Association Clinical Affairs committee
University of Virginia School of Medicine Internal Medicine Residency Charlottesville, Virginia	The Endocrine Society Minority Affairs Committee
Brown University School of Medicine Endocrinology Fellowship Providence, RI	Chairman of the Board of Directors Community Physicians of Indianapolis
POSITIONS:	Joint Physician Leadership Council of Community Health Network. Member
Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians London	
Fellow of the American College of Endocrinology	

Conrad Buckle, MBChB, FRCSEd, FRCS(Glas), FCEM, FGCPS



TITLE: Consultant in Emergency Medicine

INSTITUTION: Barnet Hospital
LOCATION: **London**
SPECIALTY: Emergency Medicine

POST-GRADUATE TRAINING:

University of Ghana Medical School, Accra, Ghana	MBChB 1990
Fellow of Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh	1996
Fellow Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons Glasgow	
Fellow of College of Emergency Medicine, UK	2002
Foundation Fellow of Emergency Medicine Ghana College of Physicians and Surgeons	2009

POSITIONS:

Consultant in Emergency Medicine, Barnet Hospital, North London	Present
Vice President African Federation for Emergency Medicine	2009 – Present
Vice President Ghanaian Doctors and Dentists Assoc (UK)	2009 – Present
Board Member International Federation for Emergency Medicine	2010 – Present
International lead Organizing Committee, ICEM	2016
Ghana Ministerial Committee Emergency Medical Services	

Michael Cappello M.D.

Michael Cappello MD is Professor of Pediatrics, Microbial Pathogenesis, and Public Health at the Yale School of Medicine. Since joining the Yale faculty in 1996, Dr. Cappello has developed a laboratory and field based research program focused on parasitic diseases, including helminth infections and malaria. In 2006, he was named a Global Health Ambassador by the Paul G. Rogers Society of Research!America, the nation's largest not-for-profit alliance working to make research to improve health a higher national priority. Dr. Cappello received the 2007 Bailey K Ashford medal from the American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene "for distinguished work in tropical medicine."

In addition to his research, Dr. Cappello provides clinical care as an Infectious Diseases specialist at Yale-New Haven Children's Hospital and is Co-Director of the Yale International Adoption Clinic. In 2002, he founded the Yale Program in International Child Health, which coordinates and develops global initiatives in Pediatric research, clinical care and medical education. In 2007, Yale President Richard Levin appointed Dr. Cappello Director of the Yale World Fellows Program, a multi-disciplinary global leadership development initiative dedicated to effecting positive global change.

Anthony R. Forestine M.D., MBA



TITLE: Assistant Medical Director

INSTITUTION: St. Michael's Medical Center
LOCATION: **Newark NJ**
SPECIALTY: Emergency Medicine

POST-GRADUATE TRAINING:
SUNY Health & Science Center Brooklyn 1999-2003

FACULTY POSITION
Assistant Professor – Seton Hall University School of Health and Medical Sciences

Jocelyne S. Lapointe, M.D. FRCPC



INSTITUTION: Retired from U of BC (Associate Prof) and Vancouver General Hospital
LOCATION: Vancouver, BC, Canada
SPECIALTY: Radiology

POST-GRADUATE TRAINING:
MD University of Sherbrooke 1973
FRCPC Radiology Residency (UBC) 1977
Neuroradiology Fellowship UBC 1978

FACULTY POSITION
Associate Professor, Dept Radiology, UBC 1985-2007

Head, Division of Neuroradiology,
Dept of Radiology, UBC and VGH 1998-2003

Korle-Bu Neuroscience Foundation: Present
Executive Committee Secretary
Chair, Education Committee

HONORS AND AWARDS
June 2002: Clinical Excellence Award, presented by the Medical Advisory Council and Medical Staff of Vancouver Hospital and Health Sciences Centre

June 2007: UBC Dept of Radiology Best Noon Rounds award, presented by the Radiology residents.

January 2008: Neuroradiology library named Jocelyne Lapointe Neuroradiology Library by the UBC/ VGH division of Neuroradiology

Frank Nyonator, M.D., MPH, FGCPS

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TITLE: Director for Policy, Planning Monitoring and Evaluation

INSTITUTION: Ghana Health Service
LOCATION: **Ghana**
SPECIALTY: Health Systems Expert

POSITIONS

Director for Policy, Planning Monitoring and Evaluation of the Ghana Health Sector Reforms in Africa.

Lecturer, Faculty of Public Health
Ghana Post Graduate College of Physicians and Surgeons.

Faculty member, Henry J. Kaiser Foundation
Republic of South Africa's National Health Leader's Retreat 1/2010

Member, Scientific Resource Group
Health Equity Analysis and Research
World Health Organization

Vice Chair, Unicom/UNDP /World Bank WHO
Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Disease 6/2006-2007

Founding member
Health Systems Action Network

HONORS AND AWARDS

The Presidential Excellence Awards for Public Service Delivery in Ghana:
Gold in the category of Innovative Partnerships in Service Delivery with communities.
Silver in the category of Innovative Service Delivery improvements in communities.

Well published in numerous peer reviewed journals and abstracts.

Solomon Ofori-Acquah



TITLE: Assistant Professor of Pediatrics
Director, Center for Endothelial Biology

INSTITUTION: Emory University School of Medicine
LOCATION: **Atlanta, GA 30322**
SPECIALTY: Molecular Hematology
SUBSPECIALTY: Hematology and Blood Banking

POST-GRADUATE TRAINING:

INSTITUTION	DEGREE AND YEAR CONFERRED	FIELD OF STUDY
Birkbeck College, University of London, England	Master of Science, 1992	Molecular Biology Cell Biology
King's College School of Medicine and Dentistry, University of London, England	Doctor of Philosophy, 2000	Molecular Genetics Hematology

Solomon Ofori-Acquah cont.

INSTITUTION	DEGREE AND YEAR CONFERRED	FIELD OF STUDY
University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL	Postdoctoral, 2002	Gene Regulation Cell Biology
Emory University	Executive Program, 2008	Leadership, Business, Finance

FACULTY POSITION

2007-Present Assistant Professor
Department of Paediatrics
Emory University School of Medicine
2015 Uppergate Drive, Atlanta, GA 30322

2009-Present Director
Centre for Endothelial Biology
Department of Paediatrics
Emory University School of Medicine

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Fellow, Institute of Biomedical Science, 2000
- Wellcome Trust Travelling Research Fellow, 2000
- Gordon Research Conferences Carl Storm Fellow, 2005
- Chairman of the Editorial Sub-committee, Medical and Research Advisory Committee of the Sickle Cell Disease Association of America, 2006-Present
- Editor of Sickle Cell News and Views, publication of the Sickle Cell Disease Association of America 2007-Present
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2004: Travel Grant Award, 11th Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections, San Francisco, CA
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Martin J. Loeb Prize for Academic Achievement in Medicine
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