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Biographies



Mr Al-Karim Haji

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Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer.

Mr Haji is responsible for the financial affairs and supports the planning and construction of physical facilities and infrastructure for the multiple campuses and hospitals of the University.

Mr Haji spends significant time

liaising with government officials and working with multilateral and bilateral funding organisations to secure financing for the University's expansions and pursuing income-generating activities. He is frequently invited to speak on higher education and health services by organizations such as the World Bank, International Finance Corporation, African Development Bank, Agence Francaise de Developpement among others.

Mr Haji is a member of the AKDN Endowment Investment Committee and a Charter Member of The Indus Entrepreneurs. He is an alumnus of the University of British Columbia and a Canadian Chartered Accountant. Mr. Haji has been actively involved in community service including serving two terms on the Senate of the University of British Columbia, and other voluntary positions with the AKDN, Ismaili Muslim community and the United Way.



Dr Azim Lakhani

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MA, BMBCh, FFPH

Dr Lakhani graduated in 1978 as a medical doctor from Oxford University (Merton College), and was awarded a postgraduate Fellowship of the Faculty of Public Health of the Royal College of Physicians (London) in 1991. He received a distinction award for services

to the National Health Service (NHS) in England.

Dr Lakhani is currently a consultant epidemiologist with expertise in the assessment of the quality of health care (particularly health outcomes). He is also a member of the Department (Ministry) of Health's national Outcomes Framework Technical Advisory Group, concerning the development of indicators used to hold the NHS Executive in England to account for health care expenditure (2012-).

Positions over the past 25 years include: Head of Clinical Analysis Research and Development at the national Health and Social Care Information Centre; technical advisor to the National Institute of Health and Care Excellence on clinical quality standards; Director of the National Centre for Health Outcomes Development based jointly at London and Oxford Universities – concerned with the development, production and publication of health outcomes information (around 1000 indicators annually) for use in health care policy and management at national and local levels in England; and Head of the Central Health Outcomes Unit at the Department of Health – concerned with the development of a national programme for the assessment of health outcomes.

Dr Lakhani has published extensively (books; book chapters; peer reviewed papers in scientific and other journals; data on the quality of healthcare in England) and made numerous presentations at international and national scientific and other conferences.

In addition to his professional activities, Dr Lakhani has served His Highness the Aga Khan in various voluntary capacities. Currently, he serves as Diplomatic Representative of the Aga Khan Development Network in Kenya, a position he was appointed to by His Highness in June 2016.



Frank Welvaert

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Executive Director, Corporate Social Responsibility, Europe, Middle East and Africa Johnson & Johnson.

Mr. Welvaert's responsibilities include the coordination of the CSR activities for the Johnson & Johnson Family of companies in the EMEA region. He also serves as Managing Director of

the Johnson & Johnson Corporate Citizenship Trust, the operational CSR body based in Edinburgh (U.K.) with a branch in Dubai (U.A.E.).

Prior to joining Johnson & Johnson in 1997, he was senior advisor to the management board of the King Baudouin Foundation (Belgium), with responsibilities such as fundraising, legal and fiscal, corporate relations and communication.

This included the setup and development of the King Baudouin Foundation U.S. in 1996.

He serves as a member of the supervisory board of the Academy for Business in Society, an international organization of business schools and universities based in Brussels. From 2002 until 2008 he was chairman of the Board of CSR Europe, the European business network on corporate social responsibility. He also served as a member of the Governing Council of the European Foundation Center and the Corporate Committee of the U.S. Council of Foundations.

Mr. Welvaert is a frequent speaker at international conferences and a guest lecturer at several business schools on the topic of CSR. He received a Masters Degree in Modern History at Ghent University (Belgium) where he specialised in economic development of the tourist industry.



Dr Nicholas Muraguri

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Principal Secretary, Ministry of Health, Kenya

Dr Nicholas Muraguri is the Principal Secretary in the Ministry of Health, Kenya. Prior to this appointment he was the Country's Director of Medical Services. He is a visionary public health leader with technical and managerial expertise in health

and development, broad working knowledge of the structure and operations of Government, the UN system, international and regional institutions involved in global health, political and socio-economic development. An innovative and results driven public health professional with extensive experience in the development, management and leadership of public health programs.

Previously, he served as an Executive Director of the United Nations Initiative – The Global Plan towards Elimination of new HIV infections among children by 2015 and keeping their mothers where he provided overall leadership and management in the implementation of the Global Plan High Level Global Steering Group (GSG), which is chaired by the Executive Director of UNAIDS and the United States Global AIDS coordinator.

Dr Muraguri has also served as the Director, National AIDS and STI Control Program, Ministry of Health from 2008- 2012, a period in which he rolled out the Voluntary Medical Male Circumcision (VMCC) program as well as expanded the ART program and the HIV testing among men. He has also published over 20 manuscripts in peer reviewed journals on various health aspects ranging from malecircumcision to drug resistance, and technical guidelines serving as principal/co-investigator in several national and regional health studies.



Dr Rudolf ('Rudi') Eggers

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Dr Rudolf ("Rudi") Eggers has been appointed the World Health Organization Representative to Kenya with effect from 1st September 2016. In this role, he will represent the World Health Organization (WHO) in Kenya, under its mandate of providing support to all aspects of health advancement through the Government of Kenya.

Dr Eggers is a public health physician from South Africa, where he obtained his medical degree and post-graduate specialization in public health, epidemiology, disease control and health administration and financing from the University of Pretoria. In addition, he has postgraduate diplomas in health administration and financing and in occupational health.

Before his appointment as WHO Representative Kenya, he was the WHO team leader for routine immunization and immunization systems strengthening in WHO headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland for eleven years, where he developed the global strategies for routine immunization, and actively participated in the global immunization partnerships focused on immunization system strengthening, including the Global Vaccine Action Plan development and Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunization (Gavi).

He has strong regional and intercountry experience in the immunization programme, having worked in East Africa (based in Nairobi, Kenya) as WHO Intercountry Coordinator for Immunization for six years.

In this role, he provided technical support to East African countries in all aspects of the immunization and disease surveillance programmes, including the support to routine immunization programme management and capacity building, mass vaccination campaigns, introductions of new vaccines and the establishment and maintenance of programme monitoring and disease surveillance systems. Before joining WHO in 1999, he was national immunization programme manager in South Africa, and worked as medical epidemiologist in the national Department of Health in South Africa.

While his initial interest focused on immunization programme management and epidemiology, his experience in WHO at global level expanded this interest into the strengthening and maintenance of health systems as the foundation of the delivery of health services and the attainment of universal health coverage. In this, he is convinced that the leadership of national governments is paramount to success and that there are few investments more worthwhile than investing in the health of a nation. He is married with four children, and has lived in South Africa, Germany, Canada, France and Kenya.



Jemimah Kimeu
Chief Nursing Officer,
Aga Khan University Hospital
Nairobi

I am a Kenya Registered Nurse and Midwife, trained at the Kenya Medical College, Nairobi and the Pumwani School of midwifery respectfully. I later received a Bachelor's Degree in Nursing from the Aga Khan University School of Nursing and Midwifery, East Africa and I'm currently a student at the Kenyatta University pursuing a Master's Degree in Health Management.

I have worked in med surg and paed's but my interest and training has been in critical care where I have served the longest before moving up the ladder in nursing administration.

In my present role I have been at the forefront leading multidisciplinary teams to comply with quality standards. This effort led to accreditation of the Aga Khan University Hospital, Nairobi by joint Commission, a US based organisation that accredits health care organizations that meet set quality standards for patient care and safety.

I am also participating in teaching jointly with Faculty at the Aga Khan University School of Nursing and Midwifery, Nairobi



**Joseph
Mwizerwa**

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RN, BSN, MNS.**

Joseph is the Academic Head and a faculty member at the Aga Khan University School of Nursing and Midwifery, Uganda. He is Ugandan. His main role involves Coordinating and ensuring that the approved programs are well implemented; Liaising with appropriate government bodies to ensure required approvals

for all AKUSONAM UG programmes and ensuring successful enrollments into the programs. Started his service career in 2001 at a rural reproductive health facility in the western part of the country. Prior to joining AKU in January 2011, Joseph served at a Ugandan public university (Mbarara University of Science and Technology, in the department of Nursing) for 8 years at different faculty ranks, most recent of which was heading the nursing program. Joseph has also served in various professional roles as outlined below.

Within AKU

Served as Chair, AKU Board of Under Graduate Studies from 2012-2014, and member of Academic Council for the same period.

Outside AKU

2010. Co-consultant, Evaluation of the Registered and Enrolled Comprehensive Nurse Training Programs in Uganda.

2012-2014. Co-opted Member of the Education, Enrolment and Registration Committee, Uganda Nurses and Midwives Council.

2012. Committee member for MoH Uganda, working on the formulation of the new schemes of service for the nursing and midwifery cadre.

2012-date. Member of the Uganda senior nurse leaders' forum. A functional committee under the commissioner nursing MoH.

2016. Awarded the "50th Uganda Independence Medal" by the country's President. The award recognizes Civilian individuals for their outstanding service and loyalty to the country since independence.



Professor Jan De Maeseener

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Professor Jan is head of Department of Family Medicine and Primary Health Care at Ghent University (Belgium) and still works as a family physician in Community Health Center Botermarkt – Gent. Since 1997, Prof De Maeseener is involved in the Primafamed-Network in Africa, coordinating the development of Family

Medicine Training in over 20 African countries. Jan De Maeseener was involved in a fundamental reform of the undergraduate medical curriculum at Ghent University and contributed to the establishment of a 3-years postgraduate program in family medicine in Belgium. He is actually the chairman of the Strategic Advisory Board for the Minister of Welfare, Health and Family at the Flemish Community. He is the chairman of the European Forum for Primary Care. His publications are related to family medicine, primary health care, health professional education, interprofessional cooperation and health policy.



Bernhard Gaede

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Bernhard Gaede is currently the Head of Department of Family Medicine at the University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN), based in Durban, South Africa. He is extensively involved in the development of a decentralized training platform for both undergraduate and postgraduate training at the University. He is also becoming

increasingly involved in family medicine networks in South Africa and across Africa. Prior to moving to head family medicine, this he was the Director of the Centre for Rural Health at UKZN since 2011. He obtained his medical degree from Wits University. In 2007 he joined the Vocational Training Program at McCord Hospital in Durban and in 2008 joined the Family Medicine Program at MEDUNSA. In 2008 he moved to the Bergville area in KwaZulu-Natal province, initially working as a facilitator for Health Systems Trust, and then in various roles including hospital manager and medical manager at the local hospital. In 2004 he completed his M.Med.(Family Medicine) with his dissertation focusing on how holistic care can be practiced in the public sector.

During the time in Bergville, Bernhard was involved in a wide scope of clinical, community and organizational practice including HIV medicine, primary health care and rural district level services. In 2014 he completed his PhD through the University of Pretoria, focusing on the experiences and challenges of health professionals working in the public sector bureaucracy in the context of a plural health care setting.

Areas of interest and research have included health care systems, community-level care (including home-based care and traditional medicine), human rights and medical anthropology. Recent interests include health professional education, community engagement and linking training to research and practice. He is a SAFRI Fellow and over the past decade he has also been actively involved in the Rural Doctors Association of Southern Africa and the Rural Health Advocacy Project.



Professor Marleen Temmerman

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Professor Temmerman is Chair of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Aga Khan University (AKU) Hospital Nairobi, and Director of the Centre of Excellence in Women, Child and Adolescent Health, AKU -East-Africa. From 2012-2015, she was the Director of the Department of Reproductive Health and

Research (RHR) at the World Health Organization (WHO), Geneva. RHR is the main instrument within the United Nations for research in Women's health, bringing together policy-makers and programmers, scientists, health care providers, clinicians, consumers and civil society, advocates and women's groups, to identify and address priorities for research to improve women's health from a rights- based perspective. She is also a full Professor Obstetrics and Gynaecology at Ghent University in Belgium. As an obstetrician she supervised over 18,000 births in many parts of the world. Her interest is women's health and rights.

Her international career took off in Kenya in 1986 when she joined the University of Nairobi (UON) as a visiting lecturer in the College of Health Sciences, to lead research in the field of HIV/AIDS and women-child health.

She worked for 5 years at the University as well as in Pumwani Maternity Hospital, in research, learning, and capacity building. She is the Founding Director of the International Centre of Reproductive Health (ICRH) that she started in 1994 at Ghent University with sister organisations in Kenya and Mozambique, and a large global collaborative University network. In 2000, she initiated ICRH-Kenya, a research based organisation with over 100 Kenyan staff in offices at the Kenyatta National Hospital and at the Technical University Mombasa (TUM) campus. She has a strong academic background with over 500 publications and books in the area of women's health, many PhD students in Europe, Africa- mainly Kenyan scientists, Latin-America and China, and several awards and honours.

In 2007, Professor Temmerman was elected as Senator in the Belgian Parliament where she was member of the Committee on Social Affairs, and Chair of the Committee on Foreign Affairs. In that capacity, she was a member of the European Parliamentary Forum and Chair of the HIV/AIDS Special Advisory Group of the Inter-Parliamentary Union.

She served as a member of the iERG (independent expert review group) installed by the UN Secretary General to raise the accountability in the 'Every Woman, Every Child' platform to accelerate MDG 4 and 5. She is one of the main penholders of the UN Global Strategy for Women's, Children and Adolescents' Health 2016-2030, launched by the UNSG and partners in September 2015, transitioning from the MDGs to the SDGs. She is also a member of the Gutmacher-Lancet Commission on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights in the post-2015 world, and a Senior Consultant for the WHO Cluster 'Families, Women and Children'.

She is a member of the Advisory Group of the African First Ladies on Cervical, Breast and Prostate Cancer, chaired by HE the First Lady of Kenya (2015-16), and a member of the MaishaMaarifa Hub of the NACC that will enhance access to HIV research and information to stakeholders and decision makers at all levels including the Counties.



Perez Akinyi Obonyo

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Principal and Training Manager of the Institute of Child Health and Research, Gertrude's children's Hospital.

Strategic management of the Institute of Child Health and Research, development of curricula, partnerships, training programs.

Prior to current appointment Perez was a Senior Lecturer at Gertrude's Institute of Child Health and Research, held different leadership positions in various GOK health facilities (Kajiado and Thika District Hospitals among others).

Perez holds a MPH from Kenyatta University, BscN from Aga Khan University and international Postgraduate Diploma in Paediatric Nursing from Sydney University, Australia.



Professor Ged Williams

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RN, RM, Crit. Care Cert., Grad. Cert. PSM, Bach. App. Sc. (Adv. Nursing), Grad. Cert Law, LLM (QUT), MHA (UNSW), GAICD, FACN, FACHSM, FAAN.

Nursing and Allied Health Consultant, SEHA (Abu Dhabi Health Service, UAE). Professor of Nursing,

Griffith University, Gold Coast. Australia. Founding Chair/Past President, World Federation of Critical Care Nurses.

Former Director, World Federation of Societies of Intensive Care and Critical Care Medicine

Founding President, Australian College of Critical Care Nurses

Ged is the Nursing and Allied Health Consultant for SEAH, the public health service for the Emirate of Abu Dhabi, UAE serving around 2.5 million people and overseeing professional standards for around 7000 nurses and 1000 allied health practitioners and technicians.

From 2007-2013 he was Executive Director of Nursing & Midwifery at Gold Coast Hospital and Health Service, Australia where he was responsible

for transforming the nursing workforce to align with the building and expansion of two contemporary hospitals (combined building cost over \$2.2 Billion). He is also a Professor of Nursing with Griffith University, Queensland.

Previously Ged has been the Executive Director of Nursing Services at Maroondah hospital, Melbourne from 2004-2007 and at the Alice Springs Hospital, in Central Australia from 1996 - 2003 and concurrently held the position of Principal Nurse Consultant for the Northern Territory jurisdiction from 2000 - 2003.

Ged is a registered nurse with qualifications in midwifery, critical care nursing, Public Sector Management, Company Directorship, a Masters in Health Administration and a Masters in Law. He is a Fellow of the Australian College of Nursing; Australian College of Health Service Managers and the American Academy of Nursing.

He is a member and graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors; Australian & New Zealand School of Government; a graduate of the Wharton School of Business, University of Pennsylvania and was awarded an Honorary Life member of the Australian College of Critical Care Nurses in 2001 and a Life Time Fellow award from World Federation of Critical Care Nurses in 2016 as founding president for both organisations respectively. Ged was also a Director of the World Federation of Societies of Intensive Care and Critical Care Medicine for 8 years from 2001.

He spent four years on the Nurses Board of the Northern Territory and has been a surveyor with the Australian Council of Healthcare Standards and an International Advisor to the American Nursing Credentialing Centre (Magnet Hospital program). Ged's research and publication interests are broad including clinical practice and safety, workforce planning, education and training program development and other management and leadership issues in nursing and health. He has published over 75 peer-reviewed journal articles and book chapters and is regularly involved in strategic nursing and health activities at the state, national and international level.

Ged's passion for community development and professional empowerment has expressed itself practically through his work with nurses, other health professionals and communities both in Australia and abroad which has led to numerous official acknowledgements and awards.



Dr Kioko Jackson K., OGW

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Director of Medical Services
Ministry of Health, Kenya

A visionary results-oriented and hardworking health professional with a wealth of experience in organization and management of health systems, Project Management, Research & Policy development, epidemiological surveillance & Analysis, Monitoring, Reporting,

Sustainable health delivery systems, Strategic planning and development; currently with special interests in the areas of public health, health system administration and management in resource limited settings. He possesses valuable skills, knowledge and competence in areas of specialization coupled with wide experience acquired while working at various management and leadership levels in the Ministry of Health over the last 20 years. He is highly adaptive to diverse work environments, and able to deliver assigned tasks within short notices and have excellent communication and inter-personal skills.



Mr Shawn Bolouki

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Mr Shawn is the CEO of Aga Khan University Hospital Nairobi. He has over twenty-eight years of leadership experience in various hospital types including academic, not-for-profit, faith-based, investor-owned and government hospitals, both standalone and integrated healthcare systems.

Prior to joining AKUH Nairobi, Shawn was CEO and COO at Tulare Regional Medical Center, California where he held executive leadership positions from 2008-2014. He previously served as COO and CEO for the CHA Hollywood Presbyterian Medical Center in Los Angeles, and as CEO at Los Angeles County/University of Southern California Healthcare Network. He also worked in the Tenet Health System with headquarters in Dallas, Texas; the University of California, San Diego Health System; Sharp Healthcare System, San Diego; St. Paul's Manor and Health Care Centres, San Diego; and University of Marburg Medical Center, West Germany.

A leader skilled in governance and board and physician relations, Shawn has collaborated with medical staff to create new service lines and ensure highest levels of clinical quality and patient safety. He has played leading roles in enabling hospitals distinguish themselves by achieving internationally recognized accreditations such as JC, DNV, CAP; financial and operational successes in acute-care hospitals and medical care centres ranging in size from 120 to 1200 beds.

Shawn has a track record of analysing and re-engineering underperforming assets to create higher levels of efficiency. In 2011, he received the President's Club Award from the Association of California Healthcare Districts for achieving a major turnaround, and improving the delivery of healthcare to the community.

With expertise in hospital engineering and facility master planning, Shawn has been involved with design, development, and cost effective construction and commissioning of five medical centres.

He was a guest speaker on the subjects of Hospital Turnarounds, Accountable Care Organizations and Physician Alignment Strategies in both academic and professional forums.



Dr Lydia Okutoyi

Dr Lydia Okutoyi is an Obstetrician Gynecologist at Kenyatta National Hospital. Chair of the departmental Quality assurance committee in Reproductive Health. I have interests in health care delivery matters and supports the KNH hospital wide Risk and Quality Assurance department.

Dr Lydia Okutoyi

During the past three years been involved in initiation and leadership of some quality improvement projects in Kenyatta National Hospital. Some of the projects that were most memorable are the Lean Six Sigma project for A&E, reproductive Health and Paediatrics at KNH. Addressing turn around times for patients in need Manual vacuum aspiration for incomplete abortions at Kenyatta national hospital.

I'm currently leading an initiative in addressing clinical documentation among patients who get obstetric emergencies during their care in our units.

I believe that patient safety and quality of care can be better addressed when our units function as teams, and systemic issues are addressed in a systemic way.

I believe that more physician involvement in the units will bring the quality debate to the next level in our facilities. I will be completing a masters program in public Health from the university of Roehampton come January 2017. Also a trainee with the Harvard's medical school global education on Safety , Quality , Informatics and Leadership (SQIL). Recently enrolled in the quality fellowship program by International society in Quality in Health care ISQua.



Mary Adhiambo Ochola

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Dr Mary Ochola is a Dental Surgeon and Public health specialists at Coast Provincial General Hospital, Mombasa. She is chair of the Quality Assurance /Improvement Committee. This committee is tasked to ensure continuous Quality Improvement in health service delivery and client/ patient safety at the hospital. I

have been involving sensitizing health care workers and implementation of Quality Improvement tools such as KOMH, 5S –Kaizen. Using 5S to improve work environmental through renovations of wards and supply of equipment has greatly motivated staff to engage in Q1 activities by their departmental WITs.

I am currently addressing process improvement activities such as improved documentation, reduced waiting time and revision of SOPs in the hospital. Currently, A&E and maternity are the targeted show case departments for process improvement through the quality improvement action plans.

I am together with the hospital QIT , working on reducing waiting time and improvement of patient flow. I am also involved in taking the hospital through an accreditation process that I see will make the hospital an international referral facility and enhance medical tourism. I believe that providing the highest standard of quality of care to our clients is paramount for today's well informed patient.

My vision is to make continuous quality improvement an organizational culture in coast general hospital.



Mr Sulaiman Shahabuddin

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Regional Chief Executive Officer
Aga Khan Health Services,
East Africa and Chief Executive
Officer, The Aga Khan Health
Services, Tanzania.

Mr Sulaiman Shahabuddin has held executive and leadership positions within the Aga Khan Development Network institutions in Pakistan, Kenya

and Tanzania. His experience of over 25 years, ranges from overseeing central support services to managing health care systems.

Prior to being appointed as the Regional Chief Executive Officer, Mr Shahabuddin has served as the CEO for The Aga Khan Hospitals in Nairobi and Mombasa. In his current role, Mr Shahabuddin is required to provide oversight, direction and strategic leadership for The Aga Khan Hospitals in Dar es Salam, Mombasa and Kisumu and its affiliated outreach health facilities.

Mr Shahabuddin holds an MBA from the University of Karachi and MSc in Sustainable Development from the Imperial College, University of London as well as certification in Health Leadership from INSEAD, France.



Dr Majid Twahir

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Dr Twahir has more than 20 years experience in the health industry starting from a junior doctor to hospital leadership.

He currently works for the Aga Khan University Hospital, Nairobi as the Associate Dean, Clinical Affairs and Chief of Staff. His responsibilities

including providing oversight on medical governance, ensuring quality, appropriate delivery of medical services and advising the executive on medical matters to achieve safe patient care. As a member of senior leadership, Majid participates in the organization's strategic planning.

He is also the key liaison between hospital services and the educational and research programs of the Medical College.

Majid is currently also an adjunct lecturer in quality, operations and change management at the Strathmore Business School where he teaches several executive programs both medical and non-medical. He was founding advisory council member of Executive Health Management Program of Strathmore Business School and served in this council for two terms.

Majid is currently finalising a Doctorate in Business Administration degree at USIU-A focusing in Strategic Management.

His area of study is around the role of hospital quality in driving national health quality. He is a Heisa certified Balanced Scorecard Master Professional and anMB Aalumnus of Strathmore Business School. He also holds advanced medical qualifications-Post Fellowship Certificate in Nephrology, Masters of Medicine (Internal Medicine) and a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery.

Majid's previous work experience includes being The Hospital Executive Director at the Nairobi Women's Hospital, Director of Operations and Utilization management at The Aga Khan University Hospital, Nairobi and the Medical Director at the Aga Khan Hospital, Mombasa. Majid's earlier work was a lecturer in the department of Medicine at the Aga Khan University Hospital, Nairobi. Dr. Twahir has also worked as a lecturer in the Department of Pharmacology in the University of Nairobi.



Dr Alaa Murabit

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Dr Alaa Murabit is a UN High-Level Commissioner for Health Employment and Economic Growth, one of only 17 Sustainable Development Goal Global Advocates appointed by the UN Secretary General and a MIT Media Lab Director's Fellow. Her TED Talk, "What my religion really says about

women" was "Talk of the Day" & one of four "moving TED Talks to watch right now" by New York Times. At the young age of 15 Alaa completed high school and moved from Saskatoon, Canada to Zawia, Libya. It was there that she completed medical school and, driven by her desire to create inclusive processes and institutions, founded VLW in 2011 at the age of 21.

With a strong focus on challenging societal and cultural norms and utilizing traditional and historical role models Alaa champions women's participation in peace processes and conflict mediation. Her programs, such as the groundbreaking "Noor Campaign" have been replicated internationally.

Nicknamed "The Libyan Doogie Howser" by Jon Stewart and applauded for her innovative and inclusive approach to security, Alaa is a champion for inclusive peace processes, and acts as advisor to numerous international security boards, governments and organizations, serving as aboard trustee for International Alert and Keeping Children Safe.

An Ashoka Fellow, Alaa is the youngest Marisa Bellisario International Humanitarian Award recipient, New York Times "International TrustWomen Hero 2014", Newsweek's "25 under 25 to watch", a BBC "100 Top Woman" and SAFE Global Hero.



Professor Sharon Brownie

Professor Sharon Brownie
RN, RM, BEd, MEd Admin, M Hth S Mgt, MA Mgt (N), GAICD, FCNA, DBA is the Dean Nursing & Midwifery for Aga Khan University, East Africa. Her role provides leadership to campuses and faculty teams in Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda. She is a registered nurse and midwife with substantive educational experience and

specialist research interest in nursing and health workforce capacity building.

She commenced work with Aga Khan University in September 2015 and was previously was Professor of Workforce and Health Services located off-shore as the Griffith University representative and Head of School to the Bachelor of Nursing Program at Fatima College of Health Sciences, Abu Dhabi, UAE.

Her roles have focused on capacity building partnerships with a strong focus on building a sustainable nursing and midwifery workforces.

She has extensive management and leadership experience across the health, higher education, social and business development sectors. Her executive leadership roles have included

significant capacity building, workforce development, business growth and change management mandates. Sharon has particular expertise in working in partnership with professional entities, industry stakeholders and government both nationally and internationally. Her involvement in both the education and health sectors has been aimed at helping to build strong and sustainable social and economic conditions that enable populations, organizations and community groups to thrive and grow.

Success in her work depends upon strong partnerships, broad consultation and collaboration with government, local Leaders, nursing and midwifery Councils and a diverse range of health service stakeholders.



Walter Robb

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Walter is a statistician with 30 years of government experience in Queensland Australia, five years of social research consultancy and four years advising the Statistics Centre Abu Dhabi on population, social and labour force statistics, including the population census of 2011. He

and his wife Lyndal came to Kenya as volunteers to undertake the Healthy Futures Project at AKU SONAM-EA. They are both Adjunct Research Fellows with the Griffith University, Australia.

Within government Walter was responsible for health planning statistics, education statistics and establishing a crime statistics unit, contributing to the development of national statistics over many years. He is a former Deputy Government Statistician , responsible for statistical and strategic information management policy; advice on State/Commonwealth statistical issues; surveys and mathematical statistics; social statistics; performance data collections; state-wide statistical coordination; and strategic oversight of the State's demographic research agenda.

In consulting, he provided advice on the management and use of information, particularly statistical information requirements, statistical and demographic analysis, data collection, planning models, performance measurement and information governance.

He successfully completed projects for clients including:

- Projections and modelling of the skills gaps of the Kingdom of Bahrain
- Review of the National Health Performance Framework
- Cost benefit approach for early intervention in the criminal justice system
- Review of education programs for Indigenous children
- A chart of accounts for measuring the economic and social contributions of older Australians
- Analysis of a water efficiency program
- Analysis of road crash data

Walter was Senior Director, Queensland Health, responsible for investment in IM/ICT, IM policy and strategy, input to whole-of-Government IT policy, clinical information strategy, input to National eHealth agenda, information security, IM/ICT services planning and performance, service level management, quality assurance, customer and vendor engagement and continuous improvement.



**Teckla Jebiwot
Kemboi Ngotie**

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Ngotie**

A midwifery lecturer at Kenyatta University school of Nursing Sciences with 18 years of clinical practice.

Teckla is a holder of Masters of science in Nursing (midwifery and obstetric nursing), LAMAZE childbirth education associate and is a Lactation consultant.

She is the Acting chair-department of midwifery-KU and an official in the Midwives Association of Kenya (MAK). Founder of Laces childbirth education services- Kenya. She has great passion to seeing that every woman during pregnancy, labour, delivery and baby care receives the best service from the midwives, and seeing the midwives being in the lead to champion maternal and child health care services in Kenya. Her motto is "No woman should suffer while bringing forth life".

She is currently in the process of enrollment to her Doctor of Philosophy degree in midwifery. She has published a research study on evidenced based episiotomy practice, editor, Nursing Council of Kenya Midwifery manual.



**Dr Grace
Edwards**

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In 1974 Dr Grace Edwards commenced her nurse training and quickly realised that her heart lay in midwifery. She qualified as a midwife in 1978 working as a hospital midwife and a community midwife for 12 years during which time she completed the Advanced Diploma of Midwifery and the Certificate in Education.

She took up post as a midwife teacher in 1988 and completed a Masters in Education.

In 1993 she was appointed Regional Co-ordinator for CESDI (the Confidential Enquiry into Stillbirths and Deaths in Infancy), a post she held until 2002. During this time she completed a PhD on Peoples Perceptions of Healthy Pregnancy.

In 2002 she was employed as one of the first Consultant Midwives in the UK, specialising in Public Health in Liverpool UK working around all aspects of deprivation and inequalities that affect pregnant women and their families and accepted a joint appointment as Principal Lecturer in midwifery research at the University of Central Lancashire (UCLan) UK. In 2005 she was appointed as national midwifery assessor for the Confidential Enquiry into Maternal and Child Health for maternal mortality.

From 2008 until 2016 she worked in the UAE, firstly as the Midwifery Research and Development Specialist at Al Wasl Hospital (now Latifa Hospital) in Dubai and then as Assistant Director of Nursing and Midwifery with responsibility for leading the first 18 month midwifery education programmes and coordinating research trials at the Corniche hospital in Abu Dhabi. She also worked at Government level, developing the Shared Care Model of Practice, recognising and promoting the midwife as the expert in normal births which has been endorsed throughout all Government hospitals in Abu Dhabi.

In 2012 she was appointed to the Editorial Board of the International Journal of Childbirth and MIDIRS, the Midwifery Digest. She is the ICM Council member for the UAE and a Council member for the UAE Nursing and Midwifery Council, advising on midwifery issues. She has been an invited speaker at numerous international conferences and has published widely.

In August 2016 she was appointed Professor of Midwifery Education and Practice at Aga Khan University in East Africa. She has always maintained her clinical practice as a midwife alongside her academic and leadership roles and is really looking forward to using her expertise to contribute to maternal and child health in Africa



**Syed
Mohammad
Sohail**

Syed Mohammad Sohail

Sohail is the Chief Executive Office (CEO) of Aga Khan Hospital, Kisumu Cluster, Kenya. Sohail assumed this position in the first quarter of 2015.

As the CEO, he assumes leadership and accountability of the overall strategic and operational planning and management of the Kisumu

Cluster. These mandates are carried out within the overall strategic direction of Aga Khan Health Services, East Africa (AKHS-EA), leadership and guidance of the Social Welfare Department (SWD) of the Aga Khan Development Network (AKDN) and the Board of Directors of AKHS, K and in accordance with the AKDN's East Africa Integrated Health Strategy.

Sohail possesses over 25 years of experience encompassing healthcare industry, Information Technology and advertising; coupled with his Masters in Business Management and Bachelors in Electrical Engineering degrees. Prior to joining Aga Khan Health Services, East Africa, Sohail was the Senior Administrator of department of Radiology at the prestigious Aga Khan University Hospital (over 700 beds) in Karachi, Pakistan, which is one of the best tertiary care teaching hospitals in the respective region.

Sohail has participated in many international and national conferences and workshops and has also been honored to be invited speaker on some occasions as well as winning a couple of prestigious awards for quality projects; one such award also resulted in a publication for him in a prestigious journal. Some of these notable forums include Radiology Society of North America (RSNA), International Society for Quality in Healthcare (ISQua), International Hospital Federation (IHF) and Planetree International.



**Deborah Gita
Flavia**

Deborah Gita Flavia,

RN, BSN, is the founder of Divine Favour Comprehensive Centre (former Divine daycare Centre). She is the director and Nursing officer in charge of the facility. She is Ugandan, married with three children.

She has a strong passion for children. Her main role involves Coordinating and ensuring that the facility runs well; she is

involved in the day to day running of the programs at the facility, health assessments and nursing care of the children plus collaborating (networking) with appropriate medical facilities and professionals to ensure that the children receive the necessary care and attention.

Deborah has also served in various professional roles as outlined below.

1988-1989: Worked at Kiryandongo hospital as the nursing officer in- charge of main operating Theatre

1990- 1991: Worked at Gombe hospital as Nursing Officer in-charge of children's ward.

1992- 1995: Worked at Kajjansi health Centre as the Senior Nursing officer in-charge of the children's unit.

1996- 1999: Worked at Joy Medical center in Kampala as the Senior Nursing Officer in charge of the nursing department.

2000- 2013: Worked at Mildmay Uganda as the Senior Nursing Officer in charge of the children's ward and daycare unit.

2005- 2008: Studied at Aga Khan University. On 24th January , 2009 Graduated (BscN) and also received award for academic excellence for the bachelor of science in nursing programme 2005-2008 from Aga Khan university Uganda.

June 2013: Founded Divine Daycare Centre. Name changed to Divine Favour Comprehensive Centre.

We cater for children with special needs e.g. physical & psychological challenges, HIV /AIDS, malnourished children and those whose parents are psychotic and therefore not able to take care of them. Etc. We offer them medical and nursing care plus formal school education.



Jane Griffiths

Company Group Chairman, Janssen, Europe, Middle East & Africa (EMEA)

Jane Griffiths is the first female Company Group Chairman of Janssen in EMEA, the pharmaceutical division of the Johnson & Johnson family of companies. She is responsible

for this business across the entire region.

Her personal approach focuses on sustainability, accountability, openness and collaboration, and she is leading Janssen EMEA to live these values. Jane has held a number of senior sales, marketing and research & development positions including International Vice President for Western Europe and South Africa, and Head of Market Access for Janssen EMEA.

She is a sponsor for the Women's Leadership Initiative in Janssen. Other industry roles include past Chairwoman of the European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations (EFPIA) Executive Committee and past Chairwoman of the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America (PhRMA) Europe Committee.

Jane is a sponsor of the Johnson & Johnson Global Pharmaceuticals Sustainability Council. Jane is also Chair of the Johnson & Johnson Corporate Citizenship Trust in EMEA and a Board member. Completing her PhD in Plant Biochemistry at the University of Aberystwyth, UK in 1982, Jane Griffiths started her Johnson & Johnson career as a sales representative.



Dr Riaz Ratansi

(MBBS; MCPS; MRCP (Int.) Dr Ratansi is a Family Medicine specialist at Aga Khan Hospital Dar es Salaam. He is the Head of the Department of Family Medicine and holds the rank of an Assistant Professor at Aga Khan University. He has been working with Aga Khan Hospital, Dar es Salaam since

January 2001. He is an expert in managing chronic diseases in Family Medicine. His special interest includes role of Family Medicine in improving primary care in Sub-Saharan Africa.

Dr Riaz Ratansi



Nancy Gathaiya

Nancy is currently the county executive in charge of Public Service, Administration and Citizen Participation in Kajiado County. She was the first County Executive Member in charge of Health Services in Kajiado County (August 2013 –November 2014). Nancy is a mental health nurse

consultant. She has a master's degree in Nursing (Mental Health and Psychiatric Nursing) from the University of Nairobi. She obtained her Bachelor's Degree in Nursing from the Aga Khan University. Nancy is passionate about Mental Health. She has taught mental health and psychiatry as a visiting lecturer in Baraton University, Great Lakes and Regina Pacis all in Nairobi between Jan 2012 –July 2013. Nancy has practiced Psychiatric Nursing for over twenty five years in different capacities in Mathari hospital Nairobi Kenya.

Nancy pioneered setting of a Quality assurance Department in Mathari Hospital using Kaizen Model. She served as an elected board member in the Nursing Council of Kenya (2004-2007) representing mental health nurses. Nancy has presented several scientific and research papers in psychiatric Nurses' conferences both nationally and internationally. She has received recognition awards as best mental health worker of the year (2005) in former Nairobi Province and in 2003 October, the best mental health worker of the year Mathari Hospital and Nairobi District. Nancy is an active member of mental health nurses chapter Kenya and a member of board of management in Nkaimurunya Secondary School Kajiado County.



Sisawo Konteh

Sisawo Konteh is the Chief Operating Officer, the Aga Khan Health Services, Tanzania based at the Aga Khan Hospital, Dar es Salaam since 2014. Prior to this, he held the position of the Director of Primary Medical Centres from 2010 - 2014. During the same period, he served as Project

Director for the Joining Hands Initiative (JHI), a 3-year Global Affairs Canada funded Maternal Newborn and Child Health project that focused

Sisawo Konteh

on PPP with the Government of Tanzania on community-based maternal, newborn and child health services, capacity building, health promotion and strengthening the referral system in 5 regions in Tanzania. He has previous experience working with the Aga Khan Health Services in Afghanistan as the Director of Bamyan Regional Hospital from 2004 – 2007. He later headed the Aga Khan Health Programmes in Northern Afghanistan as the Regional Health Programme Manager for the Badakshan Province from 2007 - 2009.

Prior to joining the Aga Khan Health Services in Afghanistan, Sisawo served as the Chief Executive Officer of the AFPRC General Hospital in Farafenni, The Gambia from 1999 - 2004. Sisawo completed his undergraduate studies in Nursing & Midwifery from Gambia College, completed a certificate in Tropical Community Medicine at the University of Sierra Leone, Fellow of the West African College of Nursing and Midwifery from the West African College of Nursing, University of Ibadan Nigeria and later earned a Masters degree in Hospital Management from Leeds University's prestigious Nuffield Centre for International Health & Development in 2002. In 2011, he attended a Diploma in Business Management on the "Blue Ocean Strategy" at the INSEAD Business School, France supported by Johnson and Johnson.



Eunice Tole

Director, Quality at Aga Khan University Hospital and Part-Time Faculty, School of Nursing and Midwifery, Aga Khan University East Africa.

Eunice holds a BScN and is currently pursuing a Masters in Health Systems.

Eunice Tole

She has over 15 years' experience in both clinical services management and has also worked at the Hospital as a Program Administrator for Surgery and Accident and Emergency. She has been an acting manager of the theatres for a year alongside her Client Relations and Risk management responsibilities. She has also worked as a Manager, for Consulting Clinics, Accident and Emergency Family Medicine Centre at Aga Khan University Hospital.



Mary Wambui

Mary Wambui Njuguna is Senior Manager Finance with over 15 years' experience in different areas of Finance. She is a holder of CPA(K) and a Master degree in Business Administration from Moi University, Kenya

Mary Wambui



Irene Kimani

Irene holds a Master's Degree in Human Resources Development and Organisational Development from Friends University in the USA and a Bachelor of Education degree from Egerton University in Kenya. Irene has international and local experience having

Irene Kimani

previously held a position at Safaricom Ltd, before joining the Aga Khan University Hospital. She has undertaken courses in training of trainers, Hay Group job evaluation, leadership and performance management. In addition she has trained as a lead ISO auditor, and oversees quality within the Human Resource Department at AKUH,N. Irene is a full member of the Institute of Human Resource Management.

Irene is currently the Manager Human Resource Development at the Aga Khan University Hospital. Her expertise is in the areas of training & development, performance management, organizational development, analysis, communication, administration and quality.



Amos Getanda

A Midwifery Lecturer in Moi University and the Secretary of Midwives Association of Kenya (MAK) which envisions quality midwifery care for every woman and newborn. The Association is working towards an autonomous midwifery profession and Midwifery as the standard of care for every

Amos Getanda

childbearing family. Amos has also worked in three other Universities in Kenya. He is the founding Head of Department of Nursing at Kisii University.

With 10 years of experience in Nursing and Midwifery Education, Leadership, Practice and Research, Amos has designed and implemented undergraduate and graduate Nursing and Midwifery Curricula, supervised undergraduate and graduate students' research, conducted research and participated as a reviewer in Ethical Review Boards. He has also participated in championing for Midwifery best practices in various maternities in Kenya. He has rose through the ranks from a nurse-midwife, clinical instructor and assistant lecturer to be what he is.

Amos is a self proclaimed Midwifery activist. He has participated in championing for midwifery policies in Kenya. He was very instrumental in the establishment of Midwives Association of Kenya. His passion is natural childbirth.

He is currently doing his Doctor of Philosophy degree with the University of South Africa and holds a Master of Science in Nursing in Maternal and Neonatal Health and Bachelors of Science in Nursing from Moi University. He has co-authored one book on Contemporary Issues for Midwifery in Kenya, has six publications in peer reviewed journals, and has presented several papers in national and international conferences. He has founder journal manager, editor and reviewer of Kenya Journal of Nursing and Midwifery and also a reviewer for other international journals.



Jane W. Kabo
RN, RM, BScN, MScN,
PhD Candidate.
Senior Instructor and BScM
coordinator, Aga Khan
University School of Nursing &
Midwifery, Kenya.

Jane W. Kabo Her role includes providing leadership in the design, delivery, review and ensuring the quality of the BScM Programme. Also includes teaching in the areas of Reproductive Health Nursing, Pharmacology and Pathophysiology. She is a registered nurse and midwife with substantive clinical experience in the area of Midwifery, Obstetrics and Gynecology Nursing. Research interest in Maternal and Neonatal Health.

She qualified as a Registered General Nurse from Nairobi Hospital School of Nursing and a Registered

Midwife before pursuing a BSc in Nursing from AKUSONAM Followed by a MSc in Midwifery and Obstetric Nursing from University of Nairobi.

Since 2016 she has enrolled for a PhD from the University of South Africa. She joined AKUSONAM in 2014, where she was centrally involved in the development of Bachelor of Science in midwifery.

Previously she worked she worked as Senior Nursing officer and clinical instructor in Kenyatta National Referral Hospital in the maternity and Accident & Emergency departments for six years.

At the same time, she worked as an adjunct lecture at University of Eastern Africa, Baraton. She also worked in Nairobi Hospital as a nurse/midwife for a period of six years.



Mary B. Adam
MD, MA, PhD, FAAP
Dr Adam is a Visiting Professor at Strathmore University in the Institute for Health Management. She is a pediatrician working in medical education and public health based at AIC Kijabe Hospital, Kenya, where she is the Director of the Kijabe Maternal Newborn Community Health

Project.

She completed her medical school and pediatric residency training at the University of Arizona College of Medicine. Dr Adam did her PhD in Psychology, with a focus in Program Evaluation and Research Methods, with Lee Sechrest, PhD.

The dissertation was based on fieldwork done in Kenya. She has worked as a consultant in research methods and program evaluation for health education programs with a focus on maternal newborn health and teen pregnancy, STD and HIV prevention. Her active research projects include effectiveness trials of quality improvement processes in primary care settings in developing countries, evaluation of in-service training of community health extension workers, and examining a range of human resource and community health information system issues in community health unit development. Dr Adam currently serves on the Community Health Services Technical Work Group for Operational Research with the Kenyan Ministry of Health.

She has served as an in country advisor as well as an external reviewer for the Micro-research Program, a multinational network committed to developing small locally driven multidisciplinary research teams.

Her ongoing interest in public health in developing countries was fuelled in 2007-2008 when she spent a year in Kenya courtesy of a Fulbright Research Award in HIV prevention and the experience resulted in her relocating to Kenya. She has published work in the fields of judgment and decision making, pediatrics, and public health with publications in Journals such as Risk Analysis, Journal of Behavioral Decision Making, Sexually Transmitted Diseases, The American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, Plos One and others. In addition to publications on health promotion and prevention, Dr. Adam has published a variety of work in bioethics and has served the American Academy of Pediatrics as member and chair of the Section of Bioethics.



Eunice Wambui Ndirangu,

BScN, MScN, PhD
Eunice is a senior instructor and the Academic Head at the Aga Khan University School of Nursing & Midwifery, Kenya. Her role involves providing leadership in research and curriculum matters in Kenya campus. Eunice's teaching experience is in Medical Surgical Nursing and Research.

Eunice Wambui Ndirangu

Her research interest is in HIV/AIDS.



Gustav Moyo

Gustav is the Director of Nursing and Midwifery Services at the Ministry of Health, Community Development, Gender, Elderly and Children in Dar es Salaam - Tanzania and also the Vice-President of East, Central and Southern African College of Nursing (ECSACON). Previously, he had

Gustav Moyo

served as the Registrar and Chief Executive Officer of the Tanzania Nursing and Midwifery Council, which regulates training, and practice of nurses and midwives in Tanzania.

Gustav has BSc degree in Nursing from the Aga Khan University and Masters in Health-care Ethics and Law from the University of Manchester – UK. For five years he worked in remote district hospital in Tanzania where he had unique experience with various health challenges including those related to maternal health in limited resources setting. Has served as a manager for the Duke-Muhimbili collaborative project and participated in HIV Vertical Transmission study and cerebral malaria study. During his tenure as the Registrar, he has managed to establish computerized data system for nurses and midwives in Tanzania, introduced license renewal system, twice successfully managed the nurses law review process leading to promulgation of new nurses act, developed several nurses guidelines to clarify their scope of practice and managed to support nurses and midwives engaged in private practice. His major interest is in professional regulation and ethics. Gustav has presented in various conferences on ethics and professional regulation.



Winnie Naisiano Shena

As the Chairperson of the National Nurses Association of Kenya (NNAK) until October 2016 and previously as the 1st Vice Chair, she successfully sourced for and was funded twice by the Business Advocacy Fund (BAF) to ensure an all-inclusive Health Bill through the participation of all the health professionals

Winnie Naisiano Shena

societies and Unions. She also participated and supported the review of the scheme of service for nursing personnel 2014. that provided an opportunity for the Degree nurses in Kenya to be recognized, promoted and motivated. Winnie works at FIGO-KOGS as the Deputy National Coordinator for PPIUD Initiative in Kenya, an initiative that aims to routinely advocate for cost effective long acting reversible contraceptive- IUD in six counties in Kenya. She is currently serving as a director of Kenya Healthcare Federation (KHF) which is the health board of the Kenya private sector alliance (KEPSA). She participates in the Presidential Round Table organized to ensure that health issues that have not been resolved are escalated to gain the presidents attention and she also chairs the Human Resource for Health (HRH) committee at KHF.

A member of the Ministerial Stakeholder Forum (MSF) that ensures quality of health for all Kenyans. She also sits in various Ministerial technical working groups to include HRH ICC that aims to improve the quality of HRH in Kenya, Cross Cadre CPD TWG that aims to develop a harmonized framework for regulating the provision of cross cadre CPDs in the Country and MNCH/FP TWG among others. An Alumni of the Aga Khan University and an alumni of the Global Nursing Leadership Institute (GNLI)-ICN, she is currently undertaking her masters in Community health and development in Great Lakes University (GLUK). She advocates to end FGM in her community and is a life member of the Red cross society Kajiado and serves in various Boards in diverse capacities.



Esther Nderitu

Ms Nderitu is a Nursing Faculty at Aga Khan University School of Nursing and Midwifery. Has an interest in Maternal Health and nursing education. Has had experience of teaching in AKU different sites which includes the BScN program in Nairobi, AKU-Uganda as well as at a rural nursing program

supported by AKU in Kaloleni Kilifi County. Has been one of the researchers involved in the AKU- Alumni survey 2015-2016 and has also done a research on why mothers choose to deliver in a healthcare set up in the rural set-up. This research was supported by a grant from Aga Khan Health Board Boston. Has a wealth of experience in nursing from University of Alberta where I did my Masters in Nursing, a BScN from Karachi Pakistan on top of a certificate from a mission Hospital in Kenya. Currently am taking a PhD at university of South Africa.

Esther Nderitu

Professor Gerald Yonga

Gerald is the Foundation Head of NCDs Research to Practice & Policy Unit at Aga Khan University in Nairobi. He is The Chair NCD Alliance East Africa and also National Chair, NCD Alliance Kenya.

He is a medical graduate of University of Nairobi with MBChB and MMed (internal



Professor Gerald Yonga

medicine) degrees respectively. He trained as cardiologist at International Heart School in Bergamo, Italy. He is a Fellow of Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh (FRCP-Edin), Fellow of The European Society of Cardiology (FESC) and a Fellow of the American College of Cardiology (FACC). He also has MBA degree in healthcare management from Regent Business School, Durban, South Africa.

He was a faculty in the Department of Medicine, University of Nairobi from 1986 to 1996 rising to Senior Lecturer, Department of Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics, and Consultant Cardiologist, Kenyatta National Hospital. He then became The Foundation Head of Comprehensive multi-disciplinary Cardiac Diagnosis and Intervention programme at The Mater Hospital, Nairobi from 1997 to 2007 (World Laboratory Project) . He established an accessible and sustainable Congenital and Structural Heart Disease Intervention Programme that continues to run to date.

In 2007 he was appointed Chair of Department of Medicine & Associate Professor at Aga Khan University, Nairobi to January 2015. He led the growth and development of a new academic department of medicine and developed a new high quality internationally benchmarked Comprehensive Cardiac Service Programme at Aga Khan University Hospital, Nairobi.

His current research projects are in health systems strengthening for NCDs at community level and improving care quality and outcomes in hypertension and heart failure.



Dr Loise Nyanjau

Ministry of Health
Dr Nyanjau is a medical doctor trained in Kenya and has worked in both the public and private sector. She has a keen interest in preventive medicine, specifically in the area of NCDs. She has an Msc. in Global Health with the University of Edinburgh and a Masters in Public Health with

the University of Nairobi. She is currently attached to the MOH national office and is the focal person for Cardiovascular diseases at the Division of NCDs.

Dr Loise Nyanjau



Dr Mugisha Noleb

Dr Mugisha Noleb, M., MB ChB, MPH
 Graduated from Makerere University with MB ChB in 2005, attended training in MMed. Family Medicine at Stellenbosch University and graduated with Master of Public Health in Global Health (Leadership, Policy and Management track) from University of Washington, Seattle, USA in 2012. He received a Fogarty International Center and National Cancer Institute funded PhD Scholarship Award in 2015.

He has done many short courses including a Fellowship in HIV Associated Malignancies at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center and Seattle Cancer Care Alliance and Cancer Care and the Family Medicine Practitioner by Stellenbosch University.

Recently, Noleb won a very competitive award, the American Society of Clinical Oncology, Conquer Cancer, International Innovation Grant, 2015 to carry out an implementation science research study "Linking Cervical Cancer Screening in HIV Clinics to Tertiary Cancer Care in Uganda"

He is passionate about early detection of cancer! His career interest is "Community Oncology" with specific research interest in cervical and breast cancer early diagnosis. In 2009, Dr Mugisha founded the Comprehensive Community Cancer Program (CCCP) at Uganda Cancer Institute which he continues to lead. His team runs cancer awareness and screening services at Uganda Cancer Institute.

He is a scientific research investigator with the Uganda Cancer Institute – Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center Alliance research collaboration. He also practices and teaches clinical oncology, family medicine and primary care in Uganda.

Since the beginning of 2016, Dr Mugisha has been coordinating the interim secretariat for establishing the Uganda National Cancer Control Program (UNCCP).



Joan Musau

Joan Musau
 Joan is a Nursing lecturer with over 10 years' experience in emergency care. She holds diploma in nursing from Nairobi Hospital and a degree at Aga Khan University. She undertook her master's degree at the McMaster University, Canada. Currently she is undertaking her doctorate degree at

UNISA focusing on hospital disaster preparedness in Nairobi, Kenya which stems from her research interest in emergency response. At Aga Khan University she teaches medical-surgical, leadership and management, electives course, child health nursing and supervision of students for research. Her recent publication: Musau, J., Baumann, A., Kolotylo, C., O'Shea, T. and Bialachowski, A. (2015), Infectious disease outbreaks and increased complexity of care. *International Nursing Review*, 62:404–411. doi:10.1111/inr.12188



Vanessa Smith

Vanessa Smith
 Vanessa has enjoyed a career in critical care and perioperative nursing spanning the globe from Australia, to the Middle East and Europe. Vanessa's clinical career paved the way to academia and higher education in Scotland where she worked on undergraduate and postgraduate nursing programs

as well as the Erasmus student exchange (Norway Link Teacher). Recently Vanessa managed the introduction of a Paramedic undergraduate transnational curriculum for female UAE nationals. Vanessa is currently self employed as a simulation contractor assisting nursing faculties to design, implement and evaluate simulation into curriculum. Her aim is to assist faculty to capacity build excellence in simulation design and delivery.

Vanessa was recently accepted for PhD at Robert Gordon University Scotland and her academic interests include simulation, remote area advanced practice, RHCP regulation, transnational curriculum assessment and design. Vanessa is an endorsed UK NMC Nurse Teacher, UK HEA Teaching Fellow and the Deputy Chair of the Institute for Remote Health Care Advisory Board.



Dr Cecilia Njoga

Dr Cecilia Njoga (MBChB)

Dr Cecilia Njoga is a Clinical Supervisor in the Emergency Department at The Aga Khan University Hospital, Nairobi. She is passionate about emergency care and is currently pursuing her Diploma in Primary Emergency Care. She is also part of the Emergency Medicine Kenya

Foundation, involved in the development of emergency care in Kenya through education and research. She has a keen interest in improving access to quality emergency care to all as evidenced by her current involvement in the training of health care providers in evidence based emergency care.



Lynette Okengo

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Lynette Okengo is the Executive Director of the Africa Early Childhood Network. Her professional experiences in early childhood development spans advocacy, policy and strategy development, program designing and evaluation as well as capacity building.

She has worked in various capacities in national and international organizations including the Open Society Foundation, UNICEF and the World Bank to support ECD programming across the Sub Saharan Africa region.

The main focus of her work currently, is to strengthen partnerships across key stakeholders and frontline workers for improved child and family outcomes.

Lynette holds a Doctorate in Early Childhood Studies and a Masters degree in Educational Psychology.

She is the Africa region co-ordinator of the Global Leader's programme and Kenya's national representative of the World Forum on Early Care and Education.



Caroline Namukwaya

Caroline Namukwaya

Caroline is a senior faculty at AKU - SONAM Uganda campus. Prior to joining AKU - SONAM, Caroline worked at the National referral hospital as a unit manager for a paediatric ward for 12 years. She has experience in the Care of sick children of 14 years.

Education background:

- MBA - 2010 – 2013 of Makerere University.
- BScN in Nursing 1996 - 2000 from Makerere University.
- Diploma in Midwifery. (1986 - 1989 for Mulago School of Nursing and midwifery.
- Post Graduate Diploma in Management (2003 - 2004 from Uganda Management Institute

At AKUSONAM, Caroline has been teaching child Health Nursing course as well as leadership and management.

She has undertaken a Training of trainers in Care for Child development.

In addition I also have a Certificate of Online Science of Early Child development (AKDN) from January – April 2014.

Since 2014 she has been training BScN students in care for Child Development and they have been implementing in clinical practice for Child Health Nursing.

Caroline's research interests are in Child Health Nursing.



Asifa Nurani

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Regional Programme Manager, Health. Aga Khan Foundation, East Africa.

Asifa Nurani, MPH earned her Master's in Public Health from Yale University in 1997. In 2000, Asifa joined Aga Khan Foundation (AKF), Kenya as the Country Manager and has since transitioned to position of

Regional Programme Manager, Health (East Africa). Areas of programmatic intervention include health systems strengthening, service delivery, health and nutrition especially around early childhood development. Asifa's key functions include resource mobilization, programme development and management, project advising and provision

of technical support to projects and Foundation grantees and dissemination of results and outcomes, identifying opportunities for policy analysis and knowledge generation aimed at raising public, government and donor interests.

Asifa currently represents AKF on the Board of the Health NGO Network, a forum with a membership of over 80 NGO's to promote collaboration, sharing of experiences and advocacy.



Edwin Schenck

Head of HR consumer EMEA,
Consumer EMEA

Edwin has held responsibilities in IT for multiple sectors (pharma, aviation, automotive, banking, pharma.) and worked in his first few years as a consultant outsourcing solutions for HR.

Edwin Schenck

He joined Johnson & Johnson in 2000 in the IT department but very quickly made a career shift to HR where he was first a local HR manager for the R&D organization in Beerse, Belgium.

During this period Edwin took an assignment to the US where he was the HR head for the TA's and global clinical operations. He then came back to Belgium and led the organizational capabilities work for pharma R&D including the set-up of a first R&D presence in Shanghai China.

After SEVEN years in R&D, Edwin moved to be the HR head for the sales and marketing organization of pharma in the Benelux.

Two years later he moved to Medical device to be the HR head for the cardiovascular franchise in EMEA and for cluster organizations in Western Europe (Dach, Nordics, FBI).

Three years later Edwin was promoted to lead the consumer HR organization in EMEA.

He is managing a team of about 90 professionals and together they support an organization of roughly 4 billion\$ in sales.

His geographic responsibilities are Europe including Russia, Middle-East and Africa.



Dawn Kuzescki

RN,CNCC, MN
Assistant Director of Nursing,
Surgical services and Critical
Care, Tawam Hospital, Johns
Hopkins International, ALAin,
UAE

Dawn Kuzescki

Dawn is from British Columbia, Canada and staff at Tawam hospital in March of 2011.

Dawn graduated from a Diploma nursing program at the Grace Hospital in Winnipeg in 1982 and went on to complete her BN in 1992 and a Masters in Nursing majoring in Bio-Ethics and Public Policy in 2002, both from the University of Victoria.

Dawn has had a diverse experience in nursing. She began her career working in general surgery and then spent 15 years in critical care, both ER and ICU, working as first a staff nurse and then as a clinical resource nurse in both areas as well as being involved in clinical research. After finishing her Masters, she worked for the University of British Columbia as an assistant professor teaching bioethics and research and doing supervision of students on a busy general surgical ward.

In the last five years before coming to the UAE, she worked as a nurse manager in charge of the nephrology program and the clinical nurse educators for Interior Health in British Columbia. She also worked for the University of Northern BC to develop and teach the Rural ER Nurse Certificate program which prepares nurses working in remote ER settings in Canada.

Ethics and nursing research are Dawns passions. After completing her thesis in the ICU, Dawn worked as an advisor and researcher for the Canadian Bioethics Critical Care Consortium. Following this, as part of her role in Renal care, Dawn piloted "My Voice", an advanced care planning program that helps patients and families make care decisions for the future. This program has now been adopted province wide.

Dawn also continues to teach and mentor students in nursing research for the University of Victoria. She is enjoying her new role as ADON at Tawam and has enjoyed both her administrative and clinical role well as learning about Emirati culture.



Michael Seo

Michael Seo is an entrepreneur focusing on innovation in health care delivery. Through his work with ReaMedica he has launched initiatives to accelerate health service entrepreneurship through advisory services, research and partnerships. The initiatives explore the intersection of

business, social and public policy innovation to create sustainable enterprises in low and middle resource environments. He has an International Master's in Health Leadership from the Desautels Faculty of Management, McGill University an, MSc from the London School of Economics and is an alumnus of Insead's Innovating Health for Tomorrow programme sponsored by the Johnson & Johnson Corporate Citizenship Trust.

Michael Seo



Reuben Coulter

Reuben is CEO of Transformational Business Network, a community of investors and entrepreneurs committed to improving the state of the world. Previously he was a Fellow and Associate Director for Africa at the World Economic Forum and served as the founding Chief Executive of Tearfund Ireland.

He has served as the Chair of the Irish Humanitarian Committee and advisor to the Irish Red Cross. He worked in Liberia, Sudan and DRC responding to humanitarian crises. He is an alumni of the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine.

Reuben Coulter



Amaan Khalfan

Amaan Khalfan is the Chief Operations Officer of the Aga Khan University Hospital (AKUH), and manages the outreach services across AKUH in east Africa.

The outreach services has grown to 48 outpatient medical centres offering primary medical care, specialized

clinical care, as well as diagnostic and pharmacy services.

Amaan Khalfan

As a former management consultant specializing in business process engineering, Amaan has also been actively involved in setting up business incubation centres, and carrying out due diligence and operational restructuring projects in the areas of private equity, agribusiness, manufacturing and water and sanitation.

He has also undertaken a wide array of projects in microenterprise, social development projects and a significant amount of time assisting to alleviate poverty in some of the impoverished areas in Kenya.

He has a Masters of Business Administration from McMaster University in Hamilton and an Undergraduate degree in Biochemistry from McGill University in Canada.



Faith Muigai,
RN, MSN, CNRN
Chief Medical Officer,
Jacaranda Health

Faith Muigai's professional background stems over 15 years of local and international health experience in both public and private sectors.

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She serves as Chief Medical Officer for Jacaranda Health, a scaling organization, whose mission is to provide high quality, affordable Maternal and Child Health services in Kenya.

Previous roles have included frontline health service delivery, clinical research, program development and executive management in leading health institutions (Johns Hopkins Hospital and University Specialty Hospital, an affiliate of the University of Maryland Medical Systems and LifeBridge Health).

Faith has designed and implemented local and regional healthcare projects, participated in local and national health collaboratives that positively impact healthcare services.

Mrs Muigai is an elected Board Director for the Kenya Healthcare Federation, nominated Board Member for Nairobi County's Pumwani Hospital and serves on the Kenya Nursing Council's Discipline, Standards and Ethics committee.



Dr Boniface M. Mativa

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Dr Mativa is consultant physician for the last seven years and a healthcare manager for the last five years at the Aga Khan University Hospital, Nairobi (AKUH,N). He is an Internal Medicine graduate (M.Med in Internal Medicine) of the University of Nairobi (2009), and Business Administration (MBA) graduate

of Moi University (2013). He has training and experience in the application of the six-sigma principles of quality management and tracer methodology in clinical audits.

He served as the Physician Manager, Accident and Emergency department of AKUH, N between 2011 and 2015; as Physician quality liaison between November 2015 to July 2016 and currently is the Utilization management and clinical services director at AKUH, N.

During this period he has been deeply involved in preparing the AKUH, N for the Joint Commission and ISO accreditation and enforcement of compliance since 2011.

He is an experienced auditor, quality leader/advisor and strategist. His outstanding competencies include formulation and of quality strategic plans, development of policies and procedures, quality implementation training, Quality auditing, root cause analysis, and implementation of continuous quality improvement initiatives.



Dr Isaac Kihurani

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Senior Instructor, Department of Paediatrics and Child Health, AKUH,N, Consultant Paediatrician and Paediatric Emergency Care specialist.

Dr Kihurani, an alumni of the Aga Khan University, Nairobi having completed his MMed in Pediatrics and Child health

in 2010 is a Consultant Paediatrician since 2013. He is also the chair of the Departmental Quality and Patient Safety Committee in the Department of Paediatrics at AKUHN since 2014.

He is a member of faculty in the said department at Aga Khan University, Nairobi. He is intimately involved in the training of post graduate residents on paediatric critical care. He has also been engaged in the training of numerous health care workers in Kenya, South Africa and the United Kingdom on paediatric resuscitation for over ten years as well as in disaster and mass casualty management for the last three years. He is also the chair of the ICU users committee at Gertrude's Children's Hospital where he provides consultancy services and training for residents on paediatric critical care.

Quality and patient safety concerns remain an integral part of his day to day work as they directly impact on patient outcomes in the extremely dynamic field of critical and emergency care. Towards this end, he has been involved in various quality and patient safety initiatives at AKUHN including the Health Care Failure Mode and Effect Analysis (HFMEA) on medication safety in 2015.



Elizabeth Kamau

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Elizabeth Trained as Kenya Registered Nurse at The Nairobi Hospital and as a Kenya Registered Midwife at Pumwani Maternity Hospital.

Ms Kamau also holds a Diploma in Advanced Health Management from Strathmore School of Business and a Bachelor of Science in Nursing

from The Aga Khan University, Nairobi. She is currently Pursuing Masters in Health Management at Kenyatta University.

She has over 28 years' of experience in nursing with vast experience in both Clinical & Administrative roles within Nairobi and at The Aga Khan University Hospital. She has led teams in provision and delivery of quality patient care.

Elizabeth is currently the Program Administrator in the Departments of Surgery & Ambulatory at Aga Khan University Hospital Nairobi. She is responsible for leading large multidisciplinary teams, coordinating and directing the operations of services and overseeing overall delivery of Quality Care within the program.



Dr John Tole

Chief of Staff and Associate Dean, Clinical Affairs. Professional interests include childhood asthma, child and adolescent health, and health systems strengthening.

Dr John Tole
MBChB, MMed; OGW
Assistant Professor, Paediatrics
and Child Health

Has been associated with the AKDN and worked at AKUHN/AKU for over twenty years in various capacities including Head of Paediatrics Department, Medical Director,



Dr Zohray Talib

strengthening education systems within the context of broader global health and development goals.

Dr Talib was co-investigator for one of the largest investments in health professions education in Sub-Saharan Africa, the Medical Education Partnership Initiative, and led efforts to build a community of practice around medical education research in the region.

She currently leads a study across 10 African countries examining the impact of bringing academic rigor to community health facilities. Dr. Talib's contributions to health professions education led to her appointment to the National Academy of Medicine's Global Forum for Innovations in Health Professional Education. She also co-leads a global Innovation Collaborative on Learning through Community Engagement created by the Global Forum. She has published and presented globally on various aspects of health professions education including community-engagement, eLearning, faculty development, graduate tracking, accreditation, financing and strategic partnerships between academic institutions in low-resource settings.

Dr Zohray Talib,
MD, FACP
Dr Talib is an Associate Professor of Medicine and of Health Policy at the George Washington University Medical School in Washington, D.C. Dr. Talib is a practicing physician, educator and leads research in the field of global health workforce. Dr Talib's focus is on

Dr Talib has a long-standing commitment to medical education and served as Associate Program Director for George Washington University's Internal Medicine Residency Program with 100+ residents for eight years. At GWU she has led efforts to design innovative curricula for both the medical school and residency program. She actively advises students, residents and junior faculty at GWU and at a number of academic institutions in Africa. Dr Talib received her Bachelor of Science in Physical Therapy from McGill University and her Doctor of Medicine from University of Alberta. She completed her residency in Internal Medicine at the George Washington University. She is board certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine, and a Fellow of the American College of Physicians.



Dr Tashmin Khamis

Dr Tashmin Khamis is currently the founding Director of both the AKU Network of Quality Assurance and Improvement (QAI_net) and the AKU Network of Teaching and Learning. (TL_net). The Networks partner with heads of entities and faculty to promote quality programmes and engaged teaching in order to enhance the student learning experience.

For the first time at AKU the Networks of Quality, Teaching and Learning have developed Academic Quality and Teaching & Learning frameworks to articulate a shared understanding of teaching excellence at AKU aligned with the stated AKU graduate attributes. Through communities of practice and enquiry, mentoring and scholarship of teaching and learning activities as well as capacity building workshops and seminars, the networks supports faculty education development both within and across disciplines in areas of teaching with technology, experiential learning, assessment and on signature pedagogies such as problem based learning and case based education. Tashmin is also Chairing a working group to set up a Teaching Academy at AKU.

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Director, AKU Network of Quality Assurance and Improvement and Director, AKU Network of Teaching and Learning Office of the Provost, Aga Khan University South-Central Asia, East Africa & UK. Associate Professor, Faculty of Health Sciences

Tashmin is the immediate Past President of EAQAN (The East African Higher Education Quality Assurance Network) a Network of Higher Education Quality Assurance Practitioners from 80 universities across the East African Community (EAC). She is currently a Board Director of INQAAHE (The International Network for Quality Assurance Agencies in Higher Education).

Tashmin holds a PhD in Nutritional Sciences and an MBA in Higher Education Management.

Prior to joining AKU Tashmin has worked for over 20 years in academia, management and development settings in the UK and Europe, South and Central Asia, Africa and the Middle East with organisations such as, the Child-to-Child Trust, UNICEF, the World Bank, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, University College London-Institute of Education and King's College London.



Dr Dorothy Kama

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BSc, MBBS, FRCA, MSc (Medical Education), Dorothy is currently the Director, Postgraduate Medical Education Directorate, Aga Khan University. She is an Assistant Professor and a practicing Consultant Anaesthetist at Aga Khan University Hospital, Nairobi.

She obtained her Master's

degree in Medical Education from Cardiff University in June 2011 for which she received a distinction for her research study and the dissertation prize for her work: "Mentoring of Residents at X hospital: Residents' views of the status quo".

Before her medical studies Dr Kama obtained a BSc degree in Physiology and Pharmacology from Kings College London in 1991. She completed a medical degree at University College and Middlesex Schools of Medicine, London in 1996 and became a fellow of the Royal College of Anaesthetists, FRCA (UK) in May 2003.

She is also a Fellow of the Higher Education Academy FHEA (UK) and during her fellowship training in anaesthesia at University College Hospital, London she was awarded the "Top Teacher" award from medical undergraduate students at University College Medical School, 2007/2008. She has been actively involved in the formulation and delivery of Training the Trainers courses both in London and Nairobi, specifically in

conjunction with the World Federation of Societies of Anaesthesia (WFSA). Her role and responsibilities include the oversight postgraduate specialist medical training at Aga Khan University Hospital Nairobi and faculty development initiatives (Nairobi & Dar es Salaam) as well as the conceptualisation, development and inception of new training programs and initiatives for postgraduate medical training in East Africa. She is also a full time clinical anaesthetist. Her specific areas of interest are educational research, especially related to novel methods of assessing clinical and non-technical skills of physicians, mentorship and academic leadership.



Francis Maina

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Francis works as a Statistician in the Quality department at The Aga Khan University Hospital, Nairobi. He has a BSc Applied Statistics with IT from Maseno University and currently pursuing a Master's Degree in Social Statistics at the University of Nairobi.

Francis is also a Certified

Environmental Auditor (Licence No. 6801) and a trained Internal Lead ISO 9001: 2008 auditor. He has previously worked with Alpex Consulting Africa Ltd and World Agro Forestry Centre (ICRAF). His experience spans over a period of more than six years.



Dr Khairunnisa Dhamani

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RN, RM, BScN, MScN, PhD Dr Dhamani, is the Assistant Professor, Aga Khan University School of Nursing & Midwifery (AKUSONAM). Currently on leave but has served as the Academic Head, AKUSONAM, Tanzania for more than 7 years and Associate Dean, SONAM, EA for one and half years. Her main role involved in providing

leadership to Tanzania campus.

She is an experienced nurse educator; has taught various courses over 15 years both in Pakistan and Tanzania. Her research interests include spiritual nursing care, managing chronic diseases through health promotion activities and quality assurance in higher education.



Esther Gimoi

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Esther Gimoi is a Quality Advisor at the Aga Khan University Hospital Nairobi. She holds a Master of Business Administration degree in Strategic Management from the University of Nairobi and a Bachelor of science degree in Nursing.

She has additional training in global leadership and health management from the University of Washington and Joint Commission accreditation training to include the use of quality measures and indicators of performance.

With clinical experience spanning more than 10 years Esther has been at the center of championing quality health care through clinical leadership as a Clinical Practice Educator in the department of Pediatrics where she also served as a core member of the departmental Quality Improvement and Patient safety committee.

She continues to address the challenges of health care quality in her current position where she works with several teams to ensure adherence to best practice standards with the aim of making quality health care a priority.



Dr Michaela Mantel

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MD, MPH, Senior Advisor and Senior Health Programme Officer, Aga Khan University of the Aga Khan Development Network

Dr Michaela Mantel joined the Faculty of Health Science, Aga Khan University (AKU) East Africa in 2010 as Senior Advisor Health Programmes

based in Nairobi, Kenya.

Her specific areas of focus are health system strengthening; reproductive, maternal, newborn, and child health; access to quality health care services at community and primary health care level and first level of referral hospital care; institutional development; public-private partnerships; human resources capacity building and context relevant research in health.

For the University in East Africa, Dr Mantel supports strategic and institutional development and engages with supporters and partners in the region and beyond.

Dr Mantel joined the Aga Khan Development Network (AKDN) in 2006 working as the Senior Health Programme Officer at the Aga Khan Foundation in Geneva.

Dr Mantel began her professional career in the early 1980's as a civil engineer in architecture and town planning. Simultaneously, she studied medicine and graduated as medical doctor in 1985 from the Ludwig Maximilian University in Munich. After clinical fellowships at German hospitals in gynaecology/obstetrics, anaesthesia, and paediatrics, Dr Mantel worked as a medical officer for five years in a 120 bedded church hospital in rural Tanzania/East Africa.

After her return from Tanzania, she completed the Master Degree in Public Health at the Harvard University in Boston. Before joining the Aga Khan Development Network, Dr Mantel worked as an adviser to national governments in Sub-Saharan Africa, India, South-East Asia and Eastern Europe in international and national health programmes and projects funded by key development partners such as the European Commission, the World Bank, Danida, the German Development Cooperation (KfW and GIZ), and the German Protestant Development Services (EZE).

Dr Mantel's commitment is to people most in need which is rooted in the experiences of earlier years when she worked as a medical doctor in Tanzania and Germany.



Vittorio Sereni

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Mr Sereni is the Country Manager of Kenya for Janssen, based in Nairobi. He has served at Johnson & Johnson for over 10 years. Prior to his current role with Janssen, Vittorio worked as Head Of Digital Marketing for Janssen EMEA, as Business Consultant for AKDN within the Johnson &

Johnson Citizenship Trust Secondment Program.

