

# **KHF 2021**

# **GENERAL ELECTIONS**

9th April 2021

TO: ALL KHF MEMBERS

#### **RE: PROPOSED CANDIDATES FOR KHF 2021 GENERAL ELECTIONS**

In accordance with Article 33 of the Memorandum and Articles of Kenya Healthcare Federation, please find here below a list of the KHF nominees for the 2021 - 2024 KHF Board Positions;

#### **SUMMARY OF THE ELECTION TIMELINE**

- 9<sup>th</sup> April 2021 Unveiling of Nominated Candidates and beginning of Campaign Period.
- 24<sup>th</sup> May 2021 Beginning of Online Voting.
- 26<sup>th</sup> May 2021, 11:59pm Closure of Online Voting.
- 27<sup>th</sup> May 2021 AGM Announcement Results of the KHF 2021 General Elections by Returning Officer. (KHF Company Secretary)







#### **KHF BOARD POSITION - CHAIRMAN (UNOPPOSED)**



Dr. Kanyenje Gakombe Kenya Association of Hospitals KHF Membership Number: B005

Proposed by; Toseef Din, M.P. Shah Hospital (Mem No. A062)

Seconded by; Vinod Guptan, Medsource Group Limited (Mem No. A068)



#### **Background**

Dr. Kanyenje Karangaita Gakombe is the Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director, Metropolitan Hospital Holdings Limited. He is also a Director at MedSource Group Ltd, a founding member and past Vice Chair of KHF, the first healthcare governor in KEPSA, a past Member of the National Economic & Social Council (NESC) and Chairman of Kenya Association of Hospitals (KAH).

Besides being involved in advocating for health to be prioritized as part of the Big 4 Agenda, he was also instrumental in the initiation and development of the Standard Service Agreement and Claim Form between Association of Kenya Insurers, and Kenya Association of Hospitals which was adopted in October 2006. He is passionate about the enabling role of ICT in health and has been instrumental in the design and development of Hospital Information Management Software (AMS 2000) currently in use in several hospitals and E-care, the first digital catering platform in a hospital.

He is also an entrepreneur and impact investor; Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Metropolitan Health Services Limited, Metropolitan hospital, Metro Villas Company Limited (Real estate), Alliance Health Care Limited & Creswave Limited (ICT). He holds a Master of Business Administration (MBA) in Strategic Management and a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBChB) from the University of Nairobi.

## Contribution I will bring into Kenya Healthcare Federation

As the Chairman of Kenya Healthcare Federation, Dr. Gakombe will bring on board strong corporate governance and compliance, innovation, high level networks, leadership, entrepreneurial and transformational skills, necessary to transform KHF into a strong and more responsive body.

Throughout his academic and career journey, Dr. Gakombe has dedicated energy, efforts and resources in public service and advocacy, guided by the desire to secure and build long term partnerships between businesses and other stakeholders, exactly what KHF requires at this point in time.

Dr. Gakombe knows how to mobilize and lobby publicly when there is need as well as when to work with the government in quiet boardrooms. In 2004, he spent most of the year persuading the Government, through multiple channels that NSHIF as envisaged was a bad idea which eventually carried the day.

## **Vision**

The past is of no value unless it informs and acts as a foundation for the future. Dr. Gakombe intends to expend his energy on efforts to:

- Create a level playing field for participants in the healthcare value chain.
- Ensure that UHC works for the people of Kenya by leveraging private, faith based, non government and government resources, in unison and harmony with room for growth for all.
- Leverage technology to empower patients and improve the quality of healthcare by fighting counterfeits, limiting insurance fraud and providing healthcare providers with a platform to power growth.
- Enhance productivity within the healthcare value chain by significantly eliminating wasteful and redundant processes, starting with improved connectivity between payers, providers and suppliers.



## KHF BOARD POSITION - DIRECTOR, PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATION (UNOPPOSED)



**Dr. Linus Ndegwa Kenya Dental Association KDA** KHF Membership Number: C016

Proposed by; Dr. Catherine Kanari, Amref Healthcare (Mem No. A014) Seconded by; Dr. Joseph Lelo, Amref Flying Doctors (Mem No. A013)



#### **Background**

Dr. Linus Ndegwa is currently the Chairman of the Kenya Dental Association, the leading society for dentists, having served in various positions within the Association since 2007. It is indeed a privilege to share with you my thoughts and ideas with the Kenya Healthcare Federation membership. I am also a registered and licensed Aesthetic Dentist with a private practice in Nairobi with over 15 years of clinical practice experience. I conduct research projects mainly in oral health research as a Research Scientist at KEMRI. Finally, I serve at the Kenya Medical Practitioners and Dentists Council as a board member representing KDA.

#### Contribution I will bring into Kenya Healthcare Federation

Through my presence in these significant sectors in the healthcare industry, I intend to further the mission and vision of KHF through:

- 1. Linking the needs of the private health sector with the current health regulatory standards.
  - Many times, KHF faces unique challenges in registration, licensure and accreditation of health facilities. Being in close contact with the KMPDC leadership will ensure the smooth resolution of such issues.
- 2. Providing opportunities for partnerships between health association members to create a conducive business environment.
  - Health associations advocate for their members' general welfare and interests and ensure that the practicing environment is protected. I intend to be the voice of those members through working with players in the insurance industry, county governments and pharmaceutic manufacturers.
- 3. Engaging partners for projects aimed at improving quality of patient care.
  - My involvement in KDA and KEMRI has enabled projects centered on integrating oral health with maternal and child health, non-communicable disease and infectious diseases as envisioned in the UHC agenda. Such initiatives can be valuable in KHF as part of discharging its mandate.

KDA has been an active member of KHF through the working committees. There has been participation in the trade shows and workshops both as delegates and plenary speakers.



# KHF BOARD POSITION - DIRECTOR, CORPORATE REPRESENTATION



**Proposed by;** Dr. Daniella Munene, Pharmaceutical Society of Kenya (Mem No. C015)

Seconded by; Anthony Jaccodul, Keton Consulting Limited (Mem No. A108)



#### **Background**

A Science graduate with Business Stimulation from Apple Institute-USA together with various crash courses of MBA for Executives from IIM-Ahmedabad and certification in Advance Management Program, Strategic Management & Quantitative Techniques. Also has accreditations of certifications from Air-Wing of National Cadet Corps having successfully completed courses of Para dropping, Parasailing, Shooting & Mountaineering and Protection of life and property certification from College of Civil Defense Academy, Mumbai.

My total professional experience in the Healthcare & Pharmaceutical Products Manufacturing, Supply Chain and Sales & Marketing spans 28 years with 3 years in India in various management position in the pharmaceutical industry and 25years of overseas in the senior & top management positions in the pharmaceutical and healthcare products industry.

These years in the Pharma-Medical industry brings with me a wealth of exposure and experience of high level Contacts & PR, with Rich, hands on experience in handling Pharma, Surgical Consumable & Disposable, Medical Equipment, OTC Range, Hospital Furniture range of product's.

#### The following are my key strengths;

- Creation & implementation of various strategic plans, amendment & implementation of new constitutions for the betterment & growth of the association's, fund generation activities for projects, activity based team formation and disseminations etc. while creating rapport, PR and direct contacts in the industry in Private, NGO's and Government circles within the various departments.
- Ethics, integrity and mentoring relationship's and am very passionate about the betterment of the industry & regulations to aid in provision of Access of good quality, affordable healthcare and healthcare related products to the patients. I am a go getter with a make it happen attitude.

## Contribution I will bring into Kenya Healthcare Federation

- Board & Corporate Governance, Compliance, regulations & best practice, finance, enough skill sets to handle strategy and experience in working with various boards.
- High level Contacts & PR with both Private & Public Sector within Kenya and beyond borders and NGO's as well which can be used to strengthen and enhance the KHF position and standing in the industry.
- Knowledge & experience of working with donors/development partners in health and a good understanding of the health systems, regulations and service delivery especially in Kenya & hence related technical advisory expertise in the healthcare sphere.
- Strategic thinking, commercial business acumen, opportunity identification skills, negotiation skills and tactics.
- Ability to build relationships, network, communicate, present, negotiate and resolve conflicting agenda & interest of diverse stakeholders.



#### KHF BOARD POSITION - DIRECTOR, CORPORATE **REPRESENTATION**



**Sophie Hodder** MARIE STOPES Marie Stopes Kenya KHF Membership Number: A064

Proposed by; Dr. Daniella Munene, Pharmaceutical Society of Kenya

(Mem No. C015)

**Seconded by;** Lauren Archer, DKT International (Mem No. A151)



## Background

Sophie Hodder is currently the Country Director of Marie Stopes Kenya. She has strong background in sustainable health financing and vast experience in the health sector ranging from private sector, humanitarian, emergency and international development.

She is an experienced Country Director in the field of public health globally. Her specialism is in sustainable models of healthcare, particularly for women and vulnerable groups. Her academic background is in engineering, management, and public health. She has spent the past 15 years in the private and third sectors, including the British National Health System and the private health sector in numerous countries across the world. She strives professionally to work collaboratively with governments, private sector, and civil society to better identify and implement large scale systemic solutions to pressing health challenges globally. Sophie is a champion for women and a passionate leader of MSK, a Women's Health focused organization present in Kenya.

#### The following are her achievements;

- Successfully advocated for policy change in the health sector in Kenya.
- Advisor on Private Sector Engagement Reform and PPP's to Rwanda's Health Ministry (Rwandan Biomedical Centre).
- Participated in the development of strategic plans for numerous Ministry of Health's across Africa.
- Managed the Royal London Hospital in the UK within the British National Health system.
- Worked within the private health system in Europe, Asia and Africa.
- Mph in Health systems management, expertise in UHC, public health insurance reform and health access for all.

## Contribution I will bring into Kenya Healthcare Federation

- GOVERNANCE: Increase the Federation's effectiveness by investing in strategic priorities, making datainformed decisions and creating capacity for new initiatives.
- PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS: Actively engage the government and public health bodies in order to nurture working relationships and influence policy decisions.
- STRATEGIC RELATIONSHIPS: Develop partnerships locally, nationally and internationally, by engaging various stakeholders and building networking opportunities for members.
- FINANCIAL RESOURCES: Establish new strategic channels to ensure robust finances through diversification of KHF's revenues and sourcing increased funding opportunities.
- ADVOCACY: Enhance our public policy impact by strengthening KHF's standing as an authoritative body that serves as a leading resource for standards and evidence-based guidelines for the health sector.
- MEMBERS SIGNIFICANCE: Ensure that all member organizations of KHF are recognized and valued by relevant stakeholders as key contributors in all aspects of healthcare.
- UNIFORMITY: Commence sector-wide consultations in order to stimulate exchange of information, ideas and practices across member organizations, and provide benchmarking information to influence decision making.



# KHF BOARD POSITION - DIRECTOR, CORPORATE REPRESENTATION



Cynthia Kahumbura Jacaranda Health Solutions KHF Membership Number: A158

**Proposed by;** Marloes Kibacha, Africa Health Business Ltd (Mem No. A006)

Seconded by; Dr. Anne Musuva, Thinkwell Global (Mem No. A172)



#### **Background**

Cynthia Kahumbura is Currently the Director of Operations of Jacaranda Health. She is also a member of KHF Public Private Partnership Committee and ICT & Mobile Health Committee. Her previous associations included, Head of Marketing for Kenya BPO and Contact Centre Society during 2010 - 2011, Kenya Association of Manufacturers - Sector Services Committee Member 2017, Marketing Society of Kenya and Member and MSK Awards Judge in 2018.

My focus is to initiate and promote disruptive digital solutions in the health sector in order to achieve the overall objective of improving Kenyans lives through Universal Health Care. Being in the Healthcare sector for only three years with my teams, I have collectively impacted over 450,000 women and children in two growth organisations.

Currently at Jacaranda Health - increased maternal health care reach from 100k - 350k women, AskNivi grew from 50k to 200k young women on family planning awareness both through the use of digital innovations. I have also worked in growth areas in ICT and for the Kenya ICT Authority in leading and implementing sectoral capacity building and policy engagements activities.

## Contribution I will bring into Kenya Healthcare Federation

- Driving the agenda on quality healthcare service delivery at all levels of the healthcare ecosystem. This includes; digital service delivery and capacity building for both clients and healthcare providers with the goal of achieving Universal Health Care.
- Effectively influence policy frameworks to match global healthcare trends and improve service delivery in communities we operate in
- Ensuring effective results-based communication and advocacy of the pressing needs of KHF members.

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# KHF BOARD POSITION - DIRECTOR, CORPORATE REPRESENTATION

Pharm Access

Isaiah Okoth
PharmAccess Foundation
KHF Membership Number: A082

Proposed by; Kennedy Okong'o, Medical Credit Fund (Mem No. A166)

Seconded by; Moses Kuria, CarePay Limited (Mem No. A023)



#### **Background**

I am a transformational business leader and visionary entrepreneur with over 30 years working experience across a variety of sectors including information technology, broadcasting, telecommunications, healthcare, mobile applications and logistics in Europe, Middle East and Africa.

Currently, I am the Country Director at PharmAccess, Kenya where I am responsible for leading the strategy development and driving the adoption of financially sustainable UHC models in Kenya with digital transformation at its center stage. Previously I worked as the General Manager of GE Healthcare East Africa where I pioneered the successful implementation of Africa's first large scale medical equipment leasing project covering 98 public hospitals across 47 counties in Kenya.

Additionally, I was a founder member of Kenya Healthcare Federation (KHF) and CEO of Connected Health, the organization that pioneered development of digital healthcare solutions based on smart card and biometric solutions in Kenya.

## The following are my key strengths;

- Leadership and vision: As a founder member of KHF I carry with me the original vision while appreciating the dynamic healthcare landscape and finding opportunities to remain relevant for the membership and society.
- Entrepreneurship approach: I have been a pioneer of new commercial developments in Kenya's health space and I commit to bring the same to KHF. I'm particularly keen on putting KHF at the forefront of attracting and driving productive healthcare investments such as local manufacturing of both drugs and vaccines.
- Corporate networks with county, national and regional government as well as private sector locally and internationally.
- Integrity and transparency: This is one of my key principles and I will work with KHF members and stakeholders in the healthcare sector to ensure that will lead the way in transforming the prevailing mindset.

# Contribution I will bring into Kenya Healthcare Federation

- Work with KHF members and key stakeholders to have the private sector more involved in the strategy development and implementation of the national roll out of thereby ensuring an inclusive, financially sustainable and transparent model that is focused on building a healthier society.
- Reach to my various networks locally and international to establish dedicated health innovation fund within KHF to accelerate digital transformation of healthcare and thereby ensure quality, efficiency, transparency and sustainable financing of healthcare.
- Work with both local and international stakeholders/funders in driving the growth of healthcare sector SMEs with special focus on women-led/ owned enterprises by identifying, attracting and negotiating favorable terms for grants, equity and debt financing.