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## PERSONAL PROFILE

- I have experience in project management and monitoring. I worked in this capacity in both government and NGOs; leading teams in research, M&E, data management, reporting and capacity building.
- Experience in public health programs funded by the World Bank, USAID, UNICEF, CDC and the Global Fund.
- Experience in USAID SIMS assessments.
- A good team player who is passionate about delivering business goals with excellence.

## COMPETENCIES AND ATTRIBUTES

- Project management and leadership skills.
- Excellent report writing skills.
- Able to carry out in-depth baseline surveys prior to project implementation.
- Research, data collection and analysis.
- Passionate about humanitarian work.
- Positive attitude and energy.
- Solid interpersonal skills.

## ACHIEVEMENTS

- I was awarded (You Have Been Spotted Prize) for being one of the top performers at Africa Health Placements in April 2016.
- I was voted and awarded the Health Field Officer of the month in 2012 for the Midlands province for CORDAID, an NGO implementing maternal and child health program funded by the World Bank.
- I was the “Best GCE Advanced Level Student of the Year 2006” at Dadaya High School.
- I was the “Best GCE O` Level Science Student of the Year 2004” at Oriel Boys High School.

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

**Company: Medical Research Council of South Africa (SAMRC),  
December 2017-Current**

**Job title:** Supervisor

Responsibilities

Planning, Coordinating and Supervising daily activities within the team to ensure smooth data collection of the Enhancing Linkage to and Retention in HIV Care in Uthukela district, Kwazulu Natal. Collect data from study participants and interview health facility informants at selected facilities and outreach centres. Implement and document daily-weekly data collection activities in all study sites, arrange logistics and transport for data collection and filing of study documents. Ensure accurate and complete collection of data by the fieldwork team through appropriate work allocation and ongoing coordination with facility and district Department of Health personnel. Ensure that study data is successfully uploaded to the project database (REDCAP). Provide orientation on the study protocol and support the research team with trouble shooting in data collection to ensure data quality. Complete and submit weekly reports on activities of the fieldwork. Establish and maintain a network of relationships with project stakeholders. Management of Vouchers and monthly budget allocated.

**Company: Right to Care, November 2016-December 2017**

**Job title:** Monitoring and Evaluation Coordinator

Responsibilities

Leading a team of HAST Counselors and Data Collectors to strengthen the public health information system and support the implementation of user friendly electronic and paper based data management systems in the Department of Correctional Services (DCS) health facilities supported by Right to Care, through oversight of Right to Care DCS data staff and through the provision of technical assistance as well as monitoring and evaluation resources, to enable routine tracking on project implementation and reporting, dissemination of priority information relating to HIV/AIDS, STI AND TB (HAST) services funded by USAID and Global Fund, according to data quality principles.

**Company: HPCA, October 2016-November 2016**

**Job title:** USAID(CASIPO) SIMS Consultant

Site Improvement Monitoring System (SIMS) is a USAID tool which is used to assess Community Based Organization's (CBOs) capacity in delivering effective care and support for improved patient outcomes (CASIPO). My role as SIMS Consultant was to assess and capture the CBO's strengths and challenges through group interviews and focus group discussions; using the USAID SIMS tool. The results of the exercise were used to capacitate the CBOs through training so that they can improve in providing quality HIV/AIDS services in their communities. My main focus was on assessing an organisation's operational activities/services they provide to the target population and to check their data management system through reviewing patient registers, referral forms for patient linkage to health services and log books. I was also responsible for compiling a report at the end of each assessment; the report will be the foundation of the technical assistance to be provided to the CBOs. I conducted these assessments in Limpopo (Mopani and Capricorn) for 14 CBOs.

**Company: Africa Health Placements, April 2015-September 2016**

**Job title:** Strategic Information Analyst

**Responsibilities**

- Data management and to produce reports for internal project monitoring and to meet reporting requirements.
- Gathering, cleaning and analyzing data on programme indicators
- Correcting errors in order to ensure data quality by checking source data and compare with the database.
- Selects and design appropriate formats which summarise and presents data.
- Engage with internal and external stakeholders on project implementation and progress.
- Monitoring progress against targets at Health Care facilities and control of delivery on contractual and budget requirements.
- Carrying out workforce planning baseline survey assessments at Health Care facilities.
- Responsible for maintaining the Survey Monkey, running internal and external surveys and analysis.

**Company: Mothers2Mothers, South Africa, May 2014-March 2015**

**Job title:** Data Quality Officer

**Responsibilities**

- SWAT project implementation at m2m sites in Gauteng, KZN and Mpumalanga.
- Liaising with M&E Coordinators and Site Coordinators on data quality challenges.
- Doing data quality audits to check errors at health facilities and correct mistakes
- Monitoring and verifying program data completeness to ensure accuracy.
- Mentoring Mentor Mothers on how to capture program data correctly in the log books.
- Ensure quality assurance.
- Data capturing and Report writing.

**Company: CORDAID (Results based financing program for health, December 2011-April 2013)**

**Job title:** Health Field Officer

**Responsibilities**

- Collecting quarterly declared health data from District Health Executives.
- Conducting quarterly verification visits to each health facilities contracted by the Local Purchasing Unit (LPU) and verifying the declared quarterly data from the facility registers
- Capturing quarterly health verification scores, including Community Based Organization (CBO) verifications and preparation of invoices for timely payment based on performance.
- Collecting random samples from the health facility registers and providing clients with relevant information, including supporting client satisfaction surveys.
- Monitoring and verifying the client satisfaction surveys for completeness and accuracy of data.
- Providing feedback to Rural Health Centers (RHC) and LPU coordinator on observations and gaps noted during verification of statistics.
- Assisting RHC in the development of operational plans, and facilitating the timely signing of Health Facility contracts.
- Identifying training needs and attending to capacity building needs of RHCs, HCCs and CBOs.
- Meeting and effectively collaborating with relevant stakeholders for learning and technical experience and information sharing.

## Child Welfare South Africa (March 2010-February 2011)

**Job title:** Monitoring and Evaluation Assistant

### Responsibilities:

- Providing monitoring and evaluation technical assistance to Child Welfare South Africa member organizations to ensure that each program has developed core indicators for measuring the impact of HIV and AIDS on quality of life of orphans and vulnerable children (OVC),
- Project planning, implementation and dissemination of findings of all surveys and surveillance.
- Assisting the Monitoring and Evaluation Manager in developing and maintaining the Monitoring, Evaluation and Reporting plan.
- Developing reports for South African Department of Social Development, PACT South Africa, the Global Fund, the Department of Health and PEPFAR/USAID and UNICEF
- Data management, maintaining data bases, data capturing and data flow mapping.
- Assisting the Monitoring and Evaluation Manager in data quality issues, data verifications and error logging and taking corrective action.

## EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- Bachelor of Arts History and Development Studies Honors Degree offered by the Midlands State University - Degree Class 2.1 (completed November 2011)
- Good Clinical Practice Training Certificate (GCP) for Social and Behavioral Research – January 2018
- Completed Fieldwork Training for Enhancing Linkage To Care For HIV in South Africa – March 2018

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