

## Training Course in Sexual and Reproductive Health Research 2011 - Interviews with the course participants - Fatima Kozacoka

Interview with

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### **Tell about yourself**

I am Mr. Confucius Aligo Allison, I attend clinical officer's course from January/2004 to November/2006 where I qualified as a Clinical Officer. I am currently employed with the Martha Health Centre, a Church clinic in which I am responsible for the day-to-day clinical and some administrative aspect.

Since high school, I have longed to attend a course that would make me more valuable to my community. However, because of the 21 years civil war in Southern Sudan, I was not able to pursue my ambitions.

### **Why you have chosen to study this course?**

I chose to undertake this course to study issues of Sexual and Reproductive Health in great detail as well as to challenge and stretch myself intellectually. As The Republic of South Sudan has just emerged as one of the newest nation after the civil war, there are a few qualified medical personnel in this area with no qualified medical personnel in Yei County.

Sexual and Reproductive health issues are not properly addressed in my county and program related to sexual & reproductive are not properly implemented due to lack of personnel with the required technical knowledge and skills.

I would like to be in great link with many health professional who are directly linked to WHO and other international professional fellowship for information sharing and continuous research and professional development.

After completing this course I will able to carry out research in sexual and reproductive health issues write scientetific thesis and contribute to the improvement of sexual and reproductive health in the Republic of South Sudan.

### **How do you manage to combine your work commitments with course commitments?**

I am a hard working individual who is very competent. At the moment in addition to my full-time employment, I work in a private clinic during the evenings and weekends. I always seek the website to see if there are new training materials been posted. Usually before I go to work I have to work on my course materials, revise and seek other information's from the internet, after work at night hours I have continue with my course for at least one hour to enable me to concentrate on this course.

### **How does a typical day at your work look like?**

A typical day at my work is manageable. I started from 09:00 to 14:00 in the health centre and from 17:00 to 20:00 in the private clinic. However, daily I have to supervise the entire department and

find out staffs who have not reported for work and those who may report to work late, and take my clinical work of attending to patients with different medical conditions. In the private clinic as a technical person I have to ensure patients or customers demand and complains are properly addressed in a professional manner.

### **What was your biggest work challenge you have dealt with? (Share the outcome or the results)**

In my working experience after my medical training when I was doing my internship during night duty a patient was brought who had been involved in road traffic accident with multiple injuries and semi conscious as been alone I had to undertake active management steps to ensure the patient is relief from his current situation, indeed after twenty minutes the patient was stable and we have looked for donor and I too have to donate for the first time in my life time.

### **Tell us about the most fun you have had on the job? (talk about fun by accomplishing something at work)**

When I started the medical work the most fun is to deal with people who have sexual and reproductive health issues, many times people are given irrelevant information more especially young ladies, this motivated me to study in-depth sexual and reproductive health issues, daily I can see at least one person with sexual and reproductive issues which needs management and counseling.

### **What would you like to achieve in five years?**

It is my ambition to progress to undertake postgraduate studies in sexual and reproductive health. In addition, I would like to explore the possibilities of become a research practitioner. I would like to gain more knowledge and skills on sexual and reproductive health issues, since they are very important to achieve better health and for the reduction of maternal and children mortality in new country like the Republic of South Sudan.