

*Candidate Statement***Section A. Contact Information**

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Section B. Statement of intent (max. 300 words)

In no more than 300 words, please describe how your professional background makes you a suitable candidate for this post and also describe what you would like to achieve if you were elected to this post.

My professional background as a Rehabilitation Occupational Therapist had enabled me to actively work with individuals living TB/HIV. As an Occupational Therapist my task involves teaching my patients COPING SKILLS, VOCATIONAL TRAINING, COMMUNITY RE-INTEGRATION, ETC. I have done this for twelve years and I am still doing. My profession allows me to see persons from three angles that enables them to be whole. The three angles are ADL, WORK, and LEISURE. ADL is ones ability to dress, feed, and fulfil life roles (mother, father ,son, student, etc). WORK is ones ability to be gainfully employ/self-employ. LEISURE is ones ability to engage in activities outside work that are able to relax the individual (Reading, listening to music, etc).

If elected to this post I will like to be in the committee that spearheads REHABILITATION centres for all individuals living with TB/HIV so as to help them with coping skills and reduce stigmatilization among friends and family. This will be the permanent support group for them. Based on my background I will be able to orchestrate for hugh resources for community re-integration. In my years of practice working as a team has always helped our clients in the achieving function.

Section C. Short biography (max. 300 words)

In this section, please provide a short biography outlining your academic background, professional experience, and any major project/initiative that highlight your knowledge of advocacy, communication and social mobilization at country level.

* Graduate of Occupational Therapy from York College, City University of New York, New York, USA.(B.Sc)

*I lived in USA for Twenty years before coming back to Nigeria last year.

* I have twelve years experience in the field of Occupational Therapy

*M.Sc in Community Health Education from Long Island University, Brooklyn Campus.

*Spearheaded HARLEM COMMUNITY GROUP INITIATIVE for youths and teenagers in DRUGS.

*Responsible for the mobilization of HIGH SCHOOL students AFTERSCHOOL vocational work training to keep them away from crime.