

MAMIE SACKEY HARRIS MS, MPH

- Public Health Nutritionist with over 15 years' experience in Global Health, Food Security, Humanitarian Emergencies, Community and international Development, Program Management.
- Technical analytical support of programs generating over 22 million USD in research revenues.
- Experience working with multiple donors (USAID, WFP, UNICEF).
- Expert in strategic thinking, multi-sectoral engagement, health promotion and capacity building.
- Excellent interpersonal, networking and team building skills with cross-cultural sensitivity.

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Public Health Leadership Program. September 2019 - Present
Mecklenburg County Public Health, Office of Policy and Prevention.

Food Security Supervisor:

- Lead strategic planning, management and development of countywide food security programs.
- Develop and maintain collaborative relationships and partnerships with key internal and external partners, networks and organizations critical to food policy and food security goals.
- Provide technical oversight and support to food security teams and program implementation.
- Identify and pursue grant-funding opportunities for new and ongoing food security initiatives and projects.
- Define food security benchmarks for program monitoring and evaluation.
- Advise and brief executive management and elected officials on strategic direction and policy recommendations for food security.

Public Health Leadership Program. January 2011 - Present
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (UNC-CH),
Gillings School of Global Public Health.

Adjunct Assistant Professor:

- Lead strategic oversight, management and evaluation of multi-sectoral global course on 'human, animal, environmental health' (i.e. one health) and global health security.
- Direct global health inter-institutional teaching and course design with Duke University, North Carolina State University, UNC-Chapel Hill and the North Carolina One Health Collaborative.
- Develop global health coursework on biodiversity, zoonosis, emerging infectious diseases, surveillance, social determinants of health, systems thinking and global health security.
- Designed and co-led UNC-CH campus wide course 'Interdisciplinary perspectives in Global Health' focused on the social determinants of health.
- Support professional mentorship for student One Health/Global health research, training & service opportunities for Africa and other developing contexts, to foster global health systems thinking.

MEASURE Evaluation, Carolina Population Center. October 2014 - April 2017
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Program Manager, Nutrition Portfolio - Nutrition & HIV Monitoring, Evaluation and Assessment:

- Led technical guidance, strategic planning and project implementation for USAID funded nutrition portfolio with operational budget of \$1.8 million USD.
- Directed 16-country Nutrition Assessment, Counseling and Support (NACS) 'landscape analysis' survey.
- Developed NACS landscape survey critical analysis report, including the assessment of performance monitoring indicators.

- Identified cross learning opportunities for nutrition integration, formative research and multi-sectorial collaboration across programs.
- Created nutrition educational materials, infographics, reports and fliers.
- Supported grant proposal writing.

**Institute for Global Health and Infectious Diseases (IGHID),
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.**

June 2008 - December 2016

Africa Programs Director:

- Led technical guidance and implementation of performance metrics for IGHID global health interventions in Africa, Latin America and China that generated over \$22 million in research revenue.
- Ensured strategic support to leadership team in planning and development of global health projects.
- Directed global health research pilot grants project - awarding over \$300,000 in competitive grants and generating approximately \$10 million in new external dollars in 10 years.
- Implemented global health training & preparedness workshops.
- Represented IGHID in local and international forums to strengthen transdisciplinary collaboration, multi-sectorial engagement and sharing of best practices.
- Supported IGHID global health advocacy, networking and branding locally and globally.
- Provided technical report writing, grants and proposals support.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE / EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Action Against Hunger, Southern Sudan.

June 2002 - December 2005

Program Manager: Supplementary Feeding Programs (2002 - 2004), Livelihoods (2005), Food Security (2004), Community Based Nutrition and Health Education (2002-2005).

- Directed Supplementary Feeding Centers, Livelihood programs, Food Security, Community Based Nutrition, Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Education programs – serving population of over 25,000.
- *Achieved over 90% cure rates and less than 1% death rates for Supplementary feeding programs*
- Conducted Knowledge, Attitude and Practices (KAP) surveys, Rapid Nutritional surveys, Social Behavior Change Communication & other qualitative assessments for data-backed decision making
- Recruited, trained and supervised field staff - improving program performance & efficiency by 100%
- Led community based trainings on prevention and control of communicable & chronic diseases and developed local capacities for sustainable program management and evaluation.
- Defined best practices for knowledge sharing & communication practices across country programs.
- Developed nutrition education and training materials in coordination with partner organizations and the health sector of the Government of South Sudan (GoSS).

World Food Programme (WFP), Rome, Italy.

August 2001 - March 2002

Associate Consultant - Survey and Advocacy

- Conducted in-country global surveys/ assessments on School Feeding and Education in Kenya, Somalia, Trinidad, Tobago, St. Kitts, Nevis and Barbados.
- Defined country specific advocacy efforts on School Feeding and Education in collaboration with national governments, UN agencies, NGOs and created performance monitoring plans /indicators.
- Analyzed, evaluated and compiled national data on school feeding, education, population statistics and HIV/ AIDS orphan prevalence.
- Supported global database on country specific performance monitoring plans and indicators for nutrition and education.

National Teaching Hospital, Korle-bu, Ghana, West Africa.

April 1998 - June 1999

Assistant Clinical Biochemistry Research Supervisor (Department of Medicine - Diabetic Center)

- Conducted blood serum analysis for non-communicable disease surveys in the greater Accra region - data entry, analysis and data base management for projects.
- Supported investigative research genetic analysis of type 2 diabetes mellitus - screened & identified patient pairs, implemented survey questionnaires and conducted rigorous database management.

National Teaching Hospital, Korle Bu, Ghana, West Africa.

October 1997 - March 1998

Dietetic Assistant (Dietherapy Department)

- Implemented group and individual 'outpatient diabetes counseling' sessions with social and behavior change communication strategies and activities.
- Monitored, evaluated and analyzed outpatient dietary compliance at the Dietherapy Department.
- Led formative research and designed diabetes counseling tool kits and lesson plans.
- Supported follow-up counseling and management of inpatients in tertiary 2000-bed hospital.

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TRAINING (selected topics)

Professional

- HIPAA Trained
- Advanced Grant and Proposal writing - Anne Arundel Community College, Dec 2018
- Qualitative Research Methods to Improve Policy and Practice - UNC Odum Institute, Qualitative Research Summer Intensive training, June 2015.
- Fogarty International Center Administrators Training Meeting – New York, October 2010.
- Mainstreaming HIV/AIDS in Practice - facilitated by RedR-International Health Exchange (RedR-IHE) - Kenya, February 2005.
- Program /Project Cycle Management - Action Contre la Faim (ACF) – France, May 2004.

Community Development, Training and Resources creation

- Directed Quality Improvement and Qualitative Assessments in Health programs.
- Led Information, Education and Communication workshops on - HIV/AIDS, Maternal and Child Health Care, Nutrition, Health and Hygiene, Water and Sanitation.
- Conducted Community Based Organization workshops and Training-of-Trainers.
- Trained inter-agency health teams on Behavior Change Communication methods – Kenya, Southern Sudan.
- Directed and conducted Project Cycle Management training workshops.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Rachel Peletz, Thomas Mahin, Mark Elliott, Mamie Sackey Harris, Ka Seen Chan, Myron Cohen, Jamie Bartram and Thomas Clasen. Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Interventions to Improve Health among People Living with HIV/AIDS: A Systematic Review. *AIDS* May 2013

Sackey ME, Weigel MM and Armijos RX. Predictors and Nutritional Consequences of Intestinal Parasitic Infections in Rural Ecuadorian Children. *Journal of Tropical Pediatrics* 2003; 49:17-23.

Abstracts

Consortium for Universities of Global Health (CUGH 2017). *Poster presentation. A Novel Approach to One Health Education and Collaboration across Academic Institutions and the Public /Private Sector.* M. S. Harris, S. Kennedy-Stoskopf, J. Casani, C. Woods, P. Cowen, W. Pan.

International AIDS Conference 2012 - **Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Interventions to Prevent Diarrheal Disease, Enteric Infection and the Progression of HIV among People Living with HIV/AIDS: A systematic review.** Rachel Peletz, Christian Jasper, Thomas Mahin, Mark Elliott, Mamie Sackey Harris, Ka Seen Chan, Myron Cohen, Jamie Bartram and Thomas Clasen.

Water and Health Conference 2012 - **Reducing Persistent Diarrhea for People Living with HIV/AIDS by Use of Effective Household Water Treatment Approaches.** Thomas Mahin, Mark Elliot, Rachel Peletz, Thomas Clasen, Mamie Harris.

Consortium for Universities in Global Health (CUGH) 2009. *Poster presentation.* **Global Access to Health Information: The UNC Medical Library in Malawi.** Susan Swogger, Mamie Sackey Harris, Myron S. Cohen, Irving Hoffman, Bernard Chilombe, Innocent Mofolo, Francis Martinson.

OTHER RESEARCH AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

IntraHealth International Inc., Chapel Hill

May 2007 - August 2007

Monitoring and Evaluation Intern

- Monitored and evaluated global and country *USAID* Capacity Project indicators.
- Reviewed and edited *USAID* Capacity Project Performance Monitoring Plan (PMP) indicators.
- Compiled the Namibia baseline PMP indicators and draft report.
- Participated in the design and implementation of IntraHealth (IH) organizational assessment interviews to inform the IH leadership team strategic development planning.

UNC Chapel Hill Gillings School of Global Public Health

August 2006 - May 2008

Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant

- ***Infant Care Project*** – Conducted observational assessment, data analysis and compilation of responsive feeding practices in North Carolina (August 2006 - April 2007).
- Developed graduate/professional level global health online course.
- Designed, implemented and evaluated campus based graduate level global health lectures.
- Led graduate level course lectures, discussion sessions, course review and assignment grading.

SELECTED AWARDS AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Awards

- Academic Sponsorship, Public Health Leadership Program, UNC- Chapel Hill, Gillings School of Global Public Health (2006 - 2008)
- Academic Sponsorship, Dept. of Human Nutrition, Foods and Exercise, Virginia Tech (1999 - 2001)
- Hepler Summer Research Fellowship (2000)
- P. Howard Massey Food and Nutrition Scholar Award (2000)

Professional Activities

- Steering Committee Executive Member, North Carolina One Health Collaborative (2010 – present)
- Member, American Society for Nutrition (2011 – present)
- Member, Association of Women Faculty and Professionals (2010-present)
- Member, Lipid Based Nutrient Supplement (LNS) Research NetWork (2008 – present)
- Member, Food Security and Nutrition Network (2008 – present)
- Member, American Public Health Association (2007 – present)

LANGUAGE

English - Fluent / Expert language competence (native speaker).

French - Foundational language competence (with intermediate reading competency).

Spanish - Foundational language competence.

EDUCATION

2008 **MPH - Public Health Leadership**, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (UNC-CH), Gillings School of Global Public Health.

2001 **MS - Human Nutrition, Foods and Exercise**, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech), Blacksburg, VA.

1997 **BS - Biochemistry/Chemistry**, University of Ghana, Legon, Ghana, West Africa.