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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Operating Manager, DMG Global Health LLC, Albany, NY, 11/2018 to present.

Provide short-term consultation on global public health program development, implementation and evaluation to multi-lateral and domestic US agencies and institutions. Particular expertise with malaria prevention and control and child immunization programs. Recent projects:

- *WHO Global Malaria Program and CDC Malaria Branch*: developed a detailed proposal for a Stop Transmission of Parasites of Malaria (STOP-Malaria) Program to provide surge capacity and training in countries with malaria elimination goals.
- *Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria*: wrote a strategic document on re-visiting integration of mass insecticide-treated net (ITN) distribution campaigns with other public health interventions.
- *International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies*: chaired and presented on ITN distribution to annual and operational meetings of the Alliance for Malaria Prevention partnership; developed resource mobilization and capacity building strategies for improving technical assistance on mass ITN distribution campaigns; coordinated development of a proposal to improve ITN campaign effectiveness especially in the COVID-19 pandemic context.
- *Task Force for Global Health*: serve as technical advisor to the Health Campaign Effectiveness Coalition, focusing on integrated campaign approaches.

Clinical Associate Professor, School of Public Health and Center for Global Health, University at Albany, Albany, NY, 04/2020 to present. As adjunct faculty, mentor global health students, provide career and internship guidance, review research posters, interview COVID-19 contact tracer program applicants for New York State; scheduled to serve as career panel member and guest lecturer, and to advise on Center for Global Health's strategic plan.

Deputy Unit Chief and CDC Deputy Team Leader for the President's Malaria Initiative (PMI), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Center for Global Health, Division of Parasitic Diseases and Malaria, Malaria Branch, Program Implementation Unit, Atlanta, GA, 05/2006 to 07/2018. Supervisor: Dr. Peter McElroy (PGM9@cdc.gov, tel. 404-718-4724).

Oversaw the planning, operations and evaluation of CDC technical assistance for malaria prevention and control in 26 countries in Africa and the Greater Mekong Region. Monitored and facilitated technical and programmatic guidance for 30 Atlanta-based and 24 field-based staff on surveillance, monitoring and evaluation, vector control and case management. Collaborated with

USAID, WHO, the Global Fund for HIV-AIDS, TB and Malaria and other global partners to establish technical and operational policies and strategies. Conducted annual national program reviews, wrote operational plans, represented CDC in high-level US Government briefings and global conferences, conducted support visits for field advisors to address technical and management issues, supervised malaria technical advisors. Represented CDC on the core leadership group of the Alliance for Malaria Prevention (under the Roll Back Malaria Partnership) in designing advocacy, training and monitoring and evaluation strategies to conduct mass ITN distribution campaigns in Africa.

Highlights:

- Designed and established with senior leadership the management and supervisory structures for CDC's technical and programmatic contributions to PMI.
- Managed recruitment and relocation for all Unit staff based in the US and abroad.
- Managed Unit staff development of headquarters and country-specific scopes of work and budgets for CDC support of PMI under an Interagency Agreement with USAID.
- Reviewed, edited, wrote and/or revised multiple technical and strategic documents, publications and professional presentations related to global and country-specific PMI initiatives.
- Developed successful advocacy strategies and documents to promote routine monitoring of insecticide-treated bednets (ITNs) for physical durability and insecticidal effectiveness.
- Researched and wrote monitoring and evaluation portions of the Alliance for Malaria Prevention's Toolkit for implementing mass ITN distribution campaigns; advised multiple partners and countries on effective campaign evaluation approaches.
- Represented CDC on joint country assessments with USAID to establish new PMI programs in Guinea, Niger, Rwanda and Senegal; conducted field visits and wrote annual operational plan chapters for 10 African countries on ITNs, surveillance monitoring and evaluation, health systems strengthening and program management.
- Initiated the development of letters of understanding for each CDC-PMI Resident Advisor to structure their in-country supervision and administrative support.
- Planned and monitored the first national-level ITN mass distribution campaigns in Togo and Mali.
- Conducted extensive public speaking in numerous global, interagency USAID-CDC and internal HHS/CDC settings on PMI, CDC's malaria control programs, ITN distribution, strategic planning and evaluation.
- Served as interim CDC-PMI Resident Advisor in Guinea, Nigeria and Senegal. During Guinea Ebola epidemic, advocated with CDC Director, global partners and Ministry of Health for continued malaria prevention and control programs, facilitated revision of clinical malaria diagnosis and treatment in the Ebola context, arranged procurement of protective equipment, successfully promoted the initiation of routine ITN distribution to stimulate clinic attendance for malaria services.

Public Health Advisor/ Team Leader, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Global Immunization Division, Atlanta, GA, September 1998 to April 2006. Supervisors: Dr. Vance Dietz and Dr. Peter Strebel.

Provided technical and operational guidance to WHO, UNICEF, Ministries of Health and other partner agencies to plan, implement and evaluate activities for vaccine-preventable disease surveillance, control and eradication initiatives. Focused on poliomyelitis eradication and measles control and elimination. Served as Team Leader for CDC-supported measles control programs in Africa and Southeast Asia. Oversaw and supported overseas assignees technically and administratively, and assisted in day-to-day program management. Highlights:

- Planned, observed and/or evaluated mass measles or polio campaigns in Albania, Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Chuuk State (Micronesia), Ethiopia, India, Lesotho, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Mali, Madagascar, Moldova, Namibia, Nepal, Senegal, Sri Lanka, Tanzania, Togo and Uganda.
- Developed measles vaccination campaign evaluation guidelines for WHO's Regional Office for Africa.
- Assessed national and district immunization programs in Guyana and Zimbabwe.
- Organized and monitored the first CDC/WHO Stop Transmission of Polio (STOP) teams to support national immunization days and surveillance in Bangladesh, India and Tanzania.
- Trained 10 WHO-UNICEF-CDC STOP Teams and over 50 individual CDC staff over 3 years on monitoring and evaluating mass measles and polio campaigns, and on improving routine immunization services.
- Coordinated development of the American Red Cross's initial engagement in global measles control, including preparation of position papers, inter-agency agreements, plans of action, position descriptions for CDC technical advisors in Washington, DC and Geneva, Switzerland.
- Revised the 5-year plan for the WHO/India National Polio Surveillance Project, and evaluated India's surveillance system for reporting of acute flaccid paralysis.
- Revised measles control strategies for WHO's Southeast Asian Regional Office.
- Strengthened national measles control strategies and secured funding for mass measles immunization campaigns in Bangladesh, Nepal and Sri Lanka.
- Developed and conducted case studies on measles and polio campaign planning and monitoring for Southeast Asian immunization program managers and for STOP Teams.
- Negotiated management and technical support for CDC measles control advisors to the Pan American Health Organization in Mexico and Brazil and to WHO in Cameroon and Zimbabwe.
- Developed strategic planning agendas, job descriptions, vision and mission statements, and facilitated retreat discussions for the Global Measles Branch and the Africa-Southeast Asia Team.

Public Health Advisor, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Division of Reproductive Health, Atlanta, GA, September 1996 to August 1998. Supervisor: Dr. Tim Johnson

Planned and evaluated reproductive health programs in developing countries. Initiated and coordinated the Division's new efforts to strengthen reproductive health services in refugee settings. Developed funding proposals and program plans focusing on surveillance and monitoring of refugee reproductive health activities. Created and field tested core program indicators for the Inter-Agency Working Group on Reproductive Health in Refugee Situations in Geneva. Recommended ways to improve reproductive health reporting and logistics systems in camps for Burundian and Congolese refugees in Kigoma Region, Tanzania. Collaborated with the Red Cross, UNHCR and the Tanzanian Ministry of Health to assess the referral system for refugees with obstetric complications. Represented CDC at international meetings on reproductive health for refugees convened by UNHCR in Geneva and by USAID and the Department of State in Washington, DC. Also assessed family planning logistics management in Madagascar and Egypt.

Public Health Advisor/Project Officer, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, International Health Program Office, Atlanta, GA, October 1995 to August 1996. Supervisor: Dr. Melinda Moore.

Coordinated CDC technical assistance to the New Independent States (NIS) funded through USAID. Developed project work plans and budgets, in close collaboration with Ministries of Health and CDC epidemiologists, behavioral scientists and program managers. Developed scopes of work for and facilitated CDC short-term technical assistance in such areas as diphtheria and poliomyelitis prevention and control, applied epidemiology training, public health bulletin production, environmental health research, and cardiovascular disease prevention. Oversaw technical and managerial support for CDC advisors to the Russian Federation, Kazakhstan, Armenia and the Republic of Georgia. Coordinated extensively with staff of USAID, BASICS, the World Health Organization, and other international organizations. Also served as Project Officer for CDC technical assistance to South Africa.

Public Health Advisor, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, International Health Program Office, Atlanta, GA, June 1991 - September 1995. Supervisors: Jean Roy and Carl Campbell.

Served as Project Officer for CDC technical assistance to South Africa and Central African Republic (CAR), and until 1994, to Rwanda, Malawi and Haiti, overseeing CDC assistance in HIV/AIDS and sexually transmitted disease prevention, child survival and reproductive health. Negotiated technical assistance agreements with Ministries of Health and USAID Missions; designed and conducted program needs assessments and evaluations; developed project work plans and budgets; developed scopes of work and organized short-term technical assistance; coordinated CDC technical and management support with USAID, international and non-governmental organizations; conducted supervisory field visits; monitored operational research; evaluated CDC resident advisor performance.

Technical Officer, African Child Survival Initiative-Combating Childhood Communicable Diseases (ACSI-CCCD) Project, Centers for Disease Control for Prevention, Atlanta, Georgia and Ministry of Health, Lesotho, October 1986-May 1991. Supervisor: Mark LaPointe

Strengthened the Lesotho Ministry of Health's capacity to implement childhood immunization, diarrheal disease control and acute respiratory infections (ARI) control programs. Administered a \$1 million bilateral budget through USAID; developed national work plans; procured commodities; advised on development of national health information systems, health education, training, operational research and supervisory systems. Established Lesotho's first national network of hospital oral rehydration units, devised innovative programs to distribute oral rehydration solution packets, implemented new measles control strategies, and launched a new national ARI control program.

Intern/Project Supervisor, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, International Health Program Office, Atlanta, GA. and Togo, Summer 1985. Supervisor: Andrew Agle.

Supervised the Mortality and Use of Health Services Reliability Survey, Togo. Organized survey materials and logistics; trained and monitored interviewers; analyzed survey data and presented preliminary findings.

Regional Supervisor, Combatting Childhood Communicable Diseases Project, Zaire/Democratic Republic of Congo, July 1982-June 1984. Supervisor: Jean Roy and Dr. Helene Mambu wa-Disu.

As a Peace Corps Volunteer, expanded childhood immunization, diarrheal disease and malaria control activities in East Kasai Region, Zaire (pop. 2.5 million). Supervised a mobile immunization unit for Mbuji-Mayi city (pop. 400,000); trained clinicians; collected and analyzed epidemiological data; evaluated health zone immunization programs; conducted operational research on malaria, poliomyelitis and neonatal tetanus. Facilitated early research into chloroquine resistance for malaria chemoprophylaxis and treatment.

Operations Assistant, International Organization for Migration, Hong Kong and Macau, June-December 1981. Supervisor: Hans-Petter Boe.

Internship through Georgetown University's Center for Immigration Policy and Refugee Assistance. Prepared Vietnamese refugees for resettlement: arranged medical examinations and tests; assisted refugees in completing resettlement documents; composed a briefing paper on IOM/East Asia regional administrative operations.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS:

- Gittelman, D. Multiple overviews of President Malaria Initiative interventions and progress to external and internal partners, Department of State and African delegations to CDC, US Ambassador-designates, faith-based organizations, Emory University Rollins School of Public Health. 2006-2017.
- Gittelman, D and Belemvire, A. "Peace Corps Malaria Volunteers and PMI in-country team: working together on the ground." Peace Corps Malaria Boot Camps, biannual presentations 2013-2017.

- Gittelman, D, Zigirumugabe, S, Ankobea, K, Greer, G, “One billion nets: building on 10 years of experience to enhance future ITN distribution efforts.” PMI Interagency Technical Training, Lusaka, Zambia, February 2016.
- Gittelman, D. “LLIN distribution in Ebola-affected countries: overview and country experiences.” Presentation to the Alliance for Malaria Prevention annual meeting, January 27, 2015.
- McElroy, P and Gittelman, D. “Malaria intervention scale-up: contributions to declining child mortality and integration opportunities with EPI.” CDC Global Immunization Division seminar, March 7, 2014.
- Fotheringham, M., Greer, G., Gittelman, D., Gimnig, J. “ITN Plenary Session: What’s new, what works, what’s next?” All-PMI Staff Retreat, Arusha, Tanzania, February 5, 2013.
- Gittelman, D., “Opportunities for collaboration, PMI-Malaria Branch and PEPFAR-GAP.” Global AIDS Program Management Meeting, Kampala, Uganda, March 31, 2009.
- Gittelman, D., Greer, G., Korde, S., Gimnig, J. “Scaling up LLIN distribution and use in the context of universal coverage.” PMI Retreat, Bethesda, MD, November 16, 2009.
- Gittelman, D. “Increasing the use of insecticide-treated bednets for malaria prevention.” President’s Malaria Initiative (PMI) Interagency General Meeting, May 5, 2008.
- Gittelman, D. “Monitoring quality and improving coverage in measles supplementary immunization activities.” Multiple presentations to Stop Transmission of Polio (STOP) teams 2002-2006, and Southern Africa EPI Managers Meeting April 30, 2003.
- Gittelman, D. “National debriefing on measles vaccination campaign progress and outcomes.” Multiple presentations to national governments and global partners in Albania, Bhutan, Bangladesh, Kyrgyzstan, Madagascar, Mali, Moldova, Nigeria, Tanzania, Uganda, among others, 1998-2006.

OTHER EXPERIENCE

- Extensive recruitment and mentoring experience for students and current employees interested in global health professions. Supervised multiple interns from Emory University’s Rollins School of Public Health. Panelist on Peace Corps and global careers for students at UAlbany and other New York Capital Region academic institutions.
- Councilor, American Society for Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, Committee on Global Health, elected for 2019-2021 term.
- Vice President, Returned Peace Corps Volunteers of Northeast New York, 2019
- CDC Global Leadership Training Conference Committee member 2010
- CDC objective cooperative agreement review committee member, multiple since 1991.
- Congregation Bet Haverim Membership Chairman 2001-2002, Social Action Committee member 2007-2018.
- AID Atlanta, Group Facilitator and Telelink Volunteer, 1993-1999.
- Atlanta Area Returned Peace Corps Volunteers, Inc. President, 1997; Vice-President, 1996;

Polio Eradication Project organizer, 1996-1999; World Map Project training organizer, 1991-1994; National Peace Corps Association Conference organizing committee member, 1992-1994; Summit on Africa discussion group facilitator, April 1998.

EDUCATION:

MPH, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES, School of Public Health, Division of Population and Family Health, International Health, 1986.

BSFS, GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY, Washington, DC, 1981. School of Foreign Service, Comparative and Regional Studies. Studied abroad at University of Dakar, African Studies, Faculty of Letters and Humanities, Senegal 1979-80.

LANGUAGES:

Native English language speaker; fluent French.

HONORS:

- Alliance for Malaria Prevention Annual Award for contributions to improving the delivery and use of long-lasting insecticide-treated nets, February 2019
- CDC Center for Global Health Director's Partnership Award, to the Insecticide Treated Net Technical Team, for developing guidelines to monitor durability of nets for malaria prevention, March 2015.
- Group Eagle Award, U.S. Embassy, Guinea, Conakry, for service during the Ebola epidemic, April 2015.
- Rotary International Paul Harris Award for contributions to malaria prevention efforts in Africa, 2010.
- CDC Group Performance Award, President's Malaria Initiative, 2010.
- Public Health Service Special Recognition Awards, 1994, 1998, 2000 and 2005.
- UCLA Public Health Alumni Award for Outstanding Service, 1986.
- Jean Labat Medal for French, Georgetown University, 1981.