

Auxilia Chideme-Munodawafa

Qualifications: PhD, MSN, ANP, RN

Immediate past position: Director Palliative Care, Huron Hospital, A Cleveland Clinic Hospital, Cleveland Ohio, USA

As Coordinator responsible for continuing education in palliative care for all healthcare providers within Huron Hospitals well as neighboring community served by Huron Hospital through conferences, seminars, and noon conferences as well as several research activities that have been carried out by medical residents in end-of-life care issues with Auxilia as principal the investigator.

Current Position; Auxilia is in the process of relocating back to her home country in Zimbabwe July 2010 after successfully completing the PhD program at Case western Reserve University, Cleveland Ohio, USA, in 2007. She takes up a professor's position at Africa University, School of Health Sciences, Department of Nursing Science in Mutare, Zimbabwe from August 2010.

Other faculty positions

Adjunct professor, Notre Dame College, Cleveland Ohio teaching an on-line course on International Nursing 2009- current

Graduate student teaching assistant, 2004-2005

Tenured lecturer, University of Zimbabwe 1995-2003

Key teaching areas; Pathophysiology, Nursing Research, Health Policy and International Nursing in Developing Countries

30 years experience of working in the clinical area mostly with chronically terminally ill patients both in Zimbabwe and in USA

Research: Chronic illnesses, End-of-life care issues, Health Care policy issues

Program Development

Spearheaded development of a consult palliative care service at a 210-bedded community hospital in Cleveland Ohio, USA from scratch since August 2005. Program has developed to include medical residency education and monthly rotation to palliative care since 2007.

2010. Participated in grant writing & was awarded \$25,000 for palliative care education in 2006 by Aetna Foundation.

Auxilia was founder member of the Zimbabwe Oncology Society as president in 1999 under the ISNCC Adopt-A Society program sponsored by Duke University Oncology Society under Kevin Sowers, a board member. She is the current president of the Zimbabwe Oncology Society.

Boards

Auxilia was first elected to the board of directors of the ISNCC in 1996-2004, becoming one of the long serving board members representing Africa and the Middle East. During that time she served in various committees, mostly the education committee and scientific committees. Dr Munodawafa has attended every ISNCC biannual conference that has been held in various countries since 1996. - 2010 Auxilia was recently re-elected to the ISNCC board of directors for another 4 years and will be serving on the education and practice committee.

Board member, Zimbabwe Cancer Registry, 2009 – current

Board member Notre Dame College, 2009- current

Per Reviewer of the National league for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NILNAC)

Manuscript reviewer for the Journal of Palliative Medicine

Publications

A book based on the PhD thesis on Family Functioning among Zimbabwean Families of children with Cancer, VDM Publishers, 2009

A book Chapter on Palliative care in Zimbabwe in Betty Ferrell Textbook of Palliative Care, 2001, University press

A book Chapter on Home Based Care for HIV patients in Zimbabwe in “Home Care Nursing Services, International lesions by Modly, Zanotti, Poletti, & FitzPatrick. (1997). Springer Publishing Company.

A Palliative Care module written for Zimbabwe Open University, (2001).

Published several referenced articles mostly on End-of-Life issues

Several presentations on end-of life issues both at national and International arenas

Awarded \$5,000 by the ICNCC small research grants for data collection during PhD program in 2006.