

Professor Rosemary Nkemdilim OGU

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PROFILE



Rosemary Ogu as a Medical Woman

Professor Rosemary Nkemdilim Ogu joined the Medical Women's Association of Nigeria (MWAN) in 2000 as a house officer. Since then, she has served MWAN in various capacities as highlighted below:

Publicity Secretary, MWAN Rivers State Branch
2005 - 2007

Publicity Secretary, MWAN National 2007 – 2009

Face of MWAN during the Dar es Salam Tanzania MWIA NEAR Congress (made the presentation of the documentary for securing the secretariat for MWIA NEAR in Nigeria).

Chair; Medical Women International Association (MWIA) Youth Forum 2010 - 2013

President Elect; MWAN Rivers State 2013 - 2015

Member, Ethics and Resolutions Committee, Medical Women International Association 2013 - 2019

Speaker for MWAN & MWIA at the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women 2013 - 2019

President; MWAN Rivers State 2015 - 2017

Co-Chair, MWIA Public Relations and Media Committee 2016 – 2019

Welfare Chair, MWAN Rivers 2017 - 2019

Co-Chair; MWIA Special Interest Group to World Health Organisation (WHO) 2019 – 2022

MWIA NEAR congress planning committee:
Treasurer and Chair of Finance Subcommittee
2021





Grantsmanship Support To MWAN and Others

2014-2015

Principal Investigator, Ford Foundation MWAN Rivers Adolescent Youth Friendly Health Project. A pilot intervention to increase access to Youth Friendly Services in Andoni LGA, Rivers State, Nigeria - a strategy to address the reproductive health needs of vulnerable, out-of-school young women in oil-producing communities in Rivers State, Nigeria. Grant Number 0145-1297

2007

Principal Investigator- MWAN Rivers Ford Foundation Increasing Access to Youth Friendly Services in Tertiary Institutions in Rivers State. A project aimed at building the capacity of health facilities staff in tertiary institutions, advocacy to heads of tertiary institutions and creating demand amongst youths for youth friendly health services to reduce reproductive health challenges. Implemented in Rivers State. Ford Foundation Tertiary Institution grant 2017.

2015-2017

Co-investigator. MWAN NSRP British Council prevention of violence against women and girls. The Nigeria Stability and Reconciliation Programme (NSRP), with funding from the British Council, supported the establishment of virtual safe spaces in the form of observatories as a repository of information on Violence against Women and Girls in 8 states including Rivers State.

2016-2020

Principal Investigator, World Diabetes Foundation MWAN Rivers Gestational Diabetes Mellitus (GDM) Project in the Niger Delta. A 3-year program funded by the World Diabetes Foundation to implement access and advocacy interventions in 42 communities in Rivers State to promote diabetes prevention and improve GDM outcomes among rural and urban poor women. WDF16-1347.

2017-2019

Principal Investigator, Pfizer MWAN Safe Childbirth Checklist Initiative to promote the use of the safe childbirth checklist in sub-Saharan Africa; Nigeria, Ghana, Zambia and Cameroon. Pfizer Independent Grants for Learning and Change ID 33584051.

2017-2021

Initiator of the World Federation of Societies of Anaesthesiologists WFSA Safer Anaesthesia from Education SAFE courses in Nigeria (Port Harcourt, Abuja, Kaduna, Cotonou)

Attendance at MWAN & MWIA Conferences

She has attended and presented at the following MWAN and MWIA conferences

- 14th Biennial Conference of MWAN, Enugu, Enugu State. Nigeria. May 2005
- 15th Biennial Conference of MWAN, Port Harcourt Rivers State. September 2007.
- 16th Biennial Conference of MWAN, Abuja, Federal Capital Territory (FCT). September 2009.
- 17th Biennial Conference of MWAN, Lagos, Lagos State. September 2011.
- 18th Biennial Conference of MWAN Uyo, Akwa Ibom State. September 2013.
- 19th Biennial Conference of MWAN Awka, Anambra State. November 2015.
- 20th Biennial Conference of MWAN, FCT Abuja. Nigeria. September 2017.
- 21st Biennial Conference of MWAN, Asaba. Delta state, September 2019
- 27th International Congress of MWIA Accra, Ghana. August 2007
- 28th International Congress of the MWIA Munster, Germany. July 2010.
- 29th International Congress of the MWIA Seoul, South Korea. July, 2013.
- 30th International Congress of the MWIA Vienna, Austria. July 2016.
- 31st International Congress of the MWIA New York, USA. July 2019
- The MWIA Near East & African Region Congresses – Lusaka, Zambia (2006). Dar es Salam Tanzania (2009). Cairo, Egypt (2012). Accra, Ghana (2015). Nairobi, Kenya (2018). Abuja, Nigeria. (2021)





Education and Professional Achievements

Rosemary Ogu is a Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology and Consultant Obstetrician/Gynaecologist, University of Port Harcourt Teaching Hospital (UPTH), Port Harcourt. She graduated (MB.BS) with distinction from the University of Benin, Benin City, Nigeria, in 1999. Born March 25, 1973, in Delta State, Nigeria; Rosemary obtained a Master (MSc) in Reproductive Health from the World Bank supported Centre of Excellence in Reproductive Health Innovation, (CERHI), University of Benin, Nigeria. She has received numerous scholarship and honorary awards including the 1990 National Association of Women in Science & Technology Prize for Best Science Girls in Nigeria; the 2009 Nigerian Medical Association (NMA) Commendation for Service to Rivers State; the 2014 Port Harcourt University Medical Students' Association (PUMSA) Merit Award as Clinical lecturer of the year, the 2015 Nigeria Medical Students Association (NiMSA) award for Active Involvement & Promotion of Reproductive Health in Women & Youths ; the 2017 Medical Women's Association of Nigeria (MWAN) National Award as MWAN Jewel; for outstanding Contribution to MWAN for achieving the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) Status, and the 2019 MWAN Rivers Founder's award for initiating programs that bring value.

Professional Service

Prof Ogu has served as: Staff Adviser, Port Harcourt University Medical Student's Association (PUMSA) 2011 to date, External Examiner, National Postgraduate Medical College of Nigeria 2015 to date. Accreditation Official, Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria 2018 to date, National Postgraduate Medical College of Nigeria 2015 to date, and the West African College of Surgeons 2015 to date. She was a two tenure Director, Youth Friendly Centre, University of Port Harcourt, Nigeria 2017 to 2020. She is the Secretary of the World Health Organisation/Federal Ministry of Health Maternal - Newborn - Child - Health Implementation Research Team for the reduction of Maternal & Perinatal Mortality in Nigeria 2013 to date. She is the principal investigator of the UPTH World Health Organisation Safe Childbirth Checklist Collaboration 2015 to date. She has numerous book chapters and over 60 published articles in peer reviewed journals.

Prof Ogu is a passionate Medical Woman. She loves giving health talks, reading, and travelling. She is married to Chief Hillary Ogu and they are blessed with children.

