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CITIZENISHIP:	Malawian	
EDUCATION:	Master's Degree in Integrated Water Resources Management, University of	
	Zimbabwe	
	Bachelor of Science Degree in Environmental Health, University of Malawi-The	
	Polytechnic (now known as Malawi University of Business and Applied Sciences)	
LANGUAGE:	English – Fluent, Chichewa – Fluent	
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WORK EXPERIENCE:	Malawi	

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EXPERIENCE SUMMARY

Susan Wallani is a motivated public health practitioner with 14 years' experience in social development, with focus on Health integration, Non communicable and communicable disease, sexual reproductive health and rights, nutrition, water and sanitation hygiene and water resources management. Ms Wallani possesses skills in strategic management, program development and management, partnerships managements, resource mobilization, organizational development, donor and government relation, community mobilization, influencing and managing people

She has held senior advisory positions in different capacities since kick-starting her career. She has served as National Technical advisor under GIZ BACKUP Health program to provide strategic support for better implementation of programs financed by the Global Fund in Malawi. She has also served as Diarrhoea and Infection Prevention Control Unit Director under Management Sciences for Health – USAID ONSE Health Activity where she provided direction and leadership in developing and leading ONSE-wide strategies that link improved access to WASH services with the broader health improvement objective. She also served as Nutrition Program Manager for Dedza and Balaka districts under United Purpose (known as now United Purpose-Self Help Africa), where she was responsible for providing nutrition direction and leadership to the organization on other nutrition related programmes that the organization was implementing in Mulanje and Chiradzulo. She also served as a National Coordinator for Sexual Reproductive health and Rights Alliance, a consortia that was dealing with issues of marginalised population, gender based violence, youth empowerment and education.

Susan has experience in project management, health systems strengthening, strategic leadership and guidance in transformative, innovative approaches in the implementation of programmes and technical expertise in preventive medicine. Susan has managed to spearhead the local government in community led interventions delivery of health programmes and strengthen the district and national capacity in monitoring and delivering of health interventions, financial management, establish monitoring benchmarks, performance indicators for performance accountability, coherence and delivery of positive desired results for programmes using multi stakeholder/sectoral approach.

Ms Wallani has cultivated a range of high and district level relationships with different stakeholders in government, non-governmental organizations, donors, private sector and media across many developmental sectors in Malawi. She has experience in managing projects with Irish Aid, GIZ, Global Fund, Dutch government, USAID and US-Texas Children's Hospital among other donors.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Program Manager, Baylor Foundation Malawi – Global HOPE program April 2020 to date. Provide strategic leadership to the implementation of site program in paediatric cancer delivery at Kamuzu Central Hospital. Key responsibilities and accountability are financial health and prudence, operation excellence, successful implementation

of goals and scalable infrastructure, staff education, partnerships and strategic communication internal and external, and budget development and reporting, report writing

National technical Advisor, GIZ BACKUP HEALTH Program November 2018-March 2020. Provide technical support to principal recipients, Country Coordination Mechanism of Global Fund in Malawi to deliver effective partnerships management, program effectiveness & efficiencies in HIV and AIDS, TB and Malaria, donor reporting, quality assurance, needs assessments on Technical assistance for country coordinating mechanisms in grants management, resilient and sustainable systems for health, donor and civil society organizations engagement and budgets development, report writing, donor relations i.e. negotiations, proposal development, donor reporting coordination of donor visits

Diarrhoea and Infection Prevention Control Unit Director, MSH –USAID ONSE Health Activity April- Oct 2018. Provide leadership direction in the implementation of WASH activities in line with Malawi Government policies and practices, quality assurance, donor reporting, monitoring and evaluations, partnerships with Ministry of Water and Ministry of Health and relation building, stakeholder engagements with local governments, relevant private stakeholders and communities and local artisans, community mobilization, capacity building of staff and community for sustainable impacts and budgets development, report writing, program learning and sharing

Nutrition programmes manager, United Purpose December '2015 – March 2018. Overall management and budget holder for Nutrition program supporting Dedza and Balaka in the implementation of Scaling up Nutrition and Food nutrition security program. Liaised with team at Irish Aid and GIZ, Department of Nutrition in transformative and innovative program implementation with the inclusiveness of adolescent girls and young women nutrition needs. Established local led partnerships with community groups to monitor uptake and scalability of nutrition activities to ensure sustainability, stakeholder engagement for both nutrition specific and sensitive interventions, community mobilization, local governance structures strengthening, financial prudence and reporting, and donor reporting, Monitoring and evaluation, capacity building at all levels, annual planning and budgets development, technical guidance to districts on CMAM(community based management of acute malnutrition), IYCF (infant and young child feeding) and linkages to food and security interventions, report writing, program learning and sharing, coordination of donor visits,

National Programmes Coordinator, Malawi Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights Alliance January 2013 – January 2014. Responsible for high standards of program design and delivery of the Malawi sexual reproductive health and rights in Malawi through development of multi country work planning and budgets, M&E framework to guide staff of partner organizations, supported the board in monitoring progress of consortia relationships, reporting, organization capacity assessments and performance of partners, monitoring and evaluation of program and reporting by the consortia partners, partnerships fostering and identification, program learning and sharing, stakeholder engagement, advocacy and resource mobilization, financial reporting and monitoring, donor relations i.e. negotiations, proposal development , grant management , donor reporting coordination of donor visits. Manage five mid-level professional staff (program managers for the five consortia organizations)

Environmental Health Officer – Ministry of Health (Chiradzulo and Phalombe District) Jan 2008 – December 2012. Responsible for implementation on community health activities in Chiradzulu and later Phalombe district. Managed relationship between community and district health office. Capacity building of communities in diseases (malaria. HIV, AIDS, TB, Helminths, Sexual and reproductive health, WASH, Nutrition, annual planning and budgets, partnerships, institution inspections in the district , supervision, monitoring of disease patterns and trends and devising cost effective solutions to deal with them, community mobilization and awareness activities, stakeholder engagement, learning and sharing of health related challenges , annual and quarterly reporting of activities.

OTHER RELEVANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Successfully delivered the SUN program in Dedza and Balaka districts. Through the transformative and innovative approaches used, malnutrition reduced by 5% respectively over a 5 year period
- Successfully integrated adolescent young girls and women nutrition needs and livelihood intervention (goat pass-on program) which is successfully implemented and followed up by local community groups in nutrition
- Through the integration and theory of change approach implemented under SUN and FNSP program, United purpose adopted the theory of change in their strategic plan of 2017- 2021 for all programs

- Through advocacy, life skills education on sex and sexuality was integrated in the ministry of education primary and secondary curriculum in partnership with Teacher Union Malawi in 2014
- Successfully established solid partnership with local partners (LIONS CLUB) to support annual nutrition needs for pediatric cancer ward at KCH since 2020
- Established a good networking platform with Blantyre pediatric cancer ward and has resulted in improved drug access
- Through advocacy, have established relevance of pediatric cancer at national level strategic plans and policies. In district where PEN plus is being rolled out, issues of early cancer warning signs and diagnosis are being incorporated and implemented, training of Health workers from various districts in management of sickle cell in children is being spearheaded by the ministry
- Successfully implemented malaria mass net distribution campaign in Phalombe district, where Phalombe was used as a learning site for Mass distribution, lessons learnt during the distribution contributed to the reprogramming of national wide mass net distribution in Malawi
- Successfully resource mobilized for civil societies in Malawi to engage on Global fund processes and they made a very strong contribution towards the new Global fund phase implementation (2021-2026 phase)

LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS UNDERTAKEN

Sept 2022	Project Management in Global Health – University of Washington	
Dec-2020	Leadership and Management in Health – University of Washington	
Oct-2018	African change Makers fellowship Program- certificate in Entrepreneurship, leadership and social	
	Innovation	
Sept-2011	Certificate in Good Clinical Practice (GCP) With Distinction- College Of Medicine-Malawi	
Aug 2010	Medical Entomologist Technician- Lome, Togo.	
Mar-2010	Behavior Change Communication: Principles and Practice in HIV and AID Course - Malawi	
	Institute of Management	

PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES

Ms. Wallani has a drive to achieve results, analytical, takes initiative, good communicator and team player

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