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The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 504
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

In accordance with section 2 of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C. Official Code § 1-523.01, and pursuant to section 4 of the Health Services Planning Program Reestablishment Act of 1996, effective April 9, 1997 (D.C. 11-191; D.C. Official Code § 44-403), I am pleased to nominate the following person:

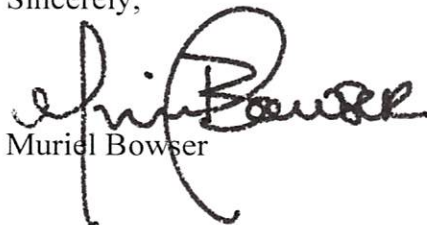
Ms. Goulda Downer
804 Rittenhouse Street NW
Washington, DC 20011
(Ward 4)

for reappointment as a public member of the Statewide Health Coordinating Council, for a term to end February 11, 2020.

Enclosed, you will find biographical information detailing the experience of the above-mentioned nominee, together with a proposed resolution to assist the Council during the confirmation process.

I would appreciate the Council's earliest consideration of this nomination for confirmation. Please do not hesitate to contact me, or Steven Walker, Director, Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments, should the Council require additional information.

Sincerely,


Muriel Bowser



Chairman Phil Mendelson
at the request of the Mayor

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Chairman Phil Mendelson, at the request of the Mayor, introduced the following resolution,
which was referred to the Committee on _____.

To confirm the reappointment of Ms. Goulda Downer to the Statewide Health Coordinating
Council.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
resolution may be cited as the "Statewide Health Coordinating Council Goulda Downer
Confirmation Resolution of 2017".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia confirms the reappointment of:

Ms. Goulda Downer
804 Rittenhouse Street NW
Washington, DC 20011
(Ward 4)

as a public member of the Statewide Health Coordinating Council in the District, pursuant to
section 4 of the Health Services Planning Program reestablishment Act of 1996, effective April
9, 1997 (D.C. Law 11-191; D.C. Official Code section § 44-403), to serve for a term to end
February 11, 2020.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution,
upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Goulda A. Downer, PhD, RD, LN, CNS

Senior Health Scientist with over 30 years of experience in clinical, public health, academic, research and management skilled locally, regionally and globally.

SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Skills and Employment Responsibilities

- Health Care Administration: Health Planning, Health Policy, Provider Training, Provider Recruitment
- Strategic Planning and skills in working with local, national, and international project teams
- Grants Administration, Project Management, Program Design, Implementation, Evaluation
- Technical Assistance and Leadership, Health Audit and Monitoring, Staff Oversight, and Supervision
- Protocol Design, Educational Tool Development, and Technical Reviews
- Health Awareness Promotion and Disease and Disability Prevention and Management
- Health and Nutrition Consultation; Behavior Modification Technical Assistance; Manual Development; Curriculum Design Development and Development
- Curriculum Development
- Research Methodology; Disease Surveillance and Monitoring
- Community Mobilization, Coalition Building
- Fiscal Management and Oversight

WORK EXPERIENCE

2012-Present **AIDS Education Training Center-Capitol Region Telehealth Project (AETC-CRTP) Howard University School of Medicine , Washington DC**

Position: Principal Investigator /Project Director & Assistant Professor

Design, establish and direct the AIDS Education and Training Center - Capitol Region Telehealth Project (AETC- CRTP). The program is aimed at using distance-based technology to provide clinical consultation, education and mentoring for healthcare professionals, organizations and networks who provide treatment, care and support including addressing substance abuse, mental health, medical nutrition and food security needs of people with HIV/AIDS.

2010 -2014 **AIDS Education Training Center-National Multicultural Center (AETC-NMC) Howard University School of Medicine, Washington, DC.**

Position: Principal Investigator /Project Director & Assistant Professor

Design, establish and direct the AIDS Education and Training Center National Multicultural Center (AETC-NMC). This Center is aimed at reduction of HIV/AIDS disparity through 1) Increasing cross-cultural awareness and competency in health care professionals, while facilitating the needs of people, including individuals with a history of substance abuse, mental illness; adolescent and teens living with HIV/AIDS; and 2) Improving communication between health care providers and their patients living with HIV/AIDS. Develop high quality, state-of- the-art national HIV/AIDS training curricula aimed at strengthening clinicians and other healthcare professionals' capacity to offer culturally appropriate, quality HIV care. Implement and track program impact aimed at effectively addressing the National HIV strategy to reduce new HIV infections and increase access to care while improving HIV health outcomes and reducing health inequities and HIV-related disparities. Oversee fiscal, budgetary and reporting matters and related human resources responsibilities.

- 2011 -2013** **Project Resilience**
Howard University School of Medicine , Washington, DC.
Position: Principal Investigator /Project Director & Assistant Professor
HIV prevention program targeting DC youth between 13 -22 working to identify the factors that enable some persons living in HIV high risk settings to remain HIV negative while others living in the same environments become HIV positive and then use this information to assist persons at risk for HIV to remain HIV negative
- 2008-Present** **Caribbean Clinician Preceptorship Program**
Howard University School of Medicine Washington, DC.
Position: Principal Investigator/Project Director & Assistant Professor
Provide leadership and oversight including the development of a comprehensive culturally appropriate curriculum for an international hands-on clinical and infrastructure management training program focusing on building the HIV clinical skills including nutrition and food security as well as infrastructure management of Caribbean HIV care providers throughout that region. Conduct teach-bask sessions in the eight Caribbean countries from which the preceptees originate.
- 2006-2011** **National Minority AIDS Education and Training Center (NMAETC) Howard**
University School of Medicine , Washington, DC.
Position: Principal Investigator/Project Director & Assistant Professor
Provide leadership for a multi-million dollar National HIV/AIDS Training program aimed at reducing health disparities among ethnic and racial minorities nationwide. Direct development of curricula and training materials on cultural competency, HIV/AIDS quality of care including mental health, substance abuse; nutrition/food security, substance abuse, pharmacotherapy and infrastructure management models as well as related research and publication of training tools and manuals for this nationwide multi-site project. Direct the education and training of clinicians and other faculty at Minority Serving Institutions nationwide. Direct multi-site activities related to work plan agreements. Oversees the day to day operations of the project's technical and training activities; assurance of program quality and the management of the contract with the Federal Government and Howard University; establish systems and methods for reviewing the quality and appropriateness of clinical care and other health-related services and provide appropriate feedback; participate in the facility's quality improvement process; advise on HIV/AIDS issues and approve HIV/AIDS policies to be incorporated into center policies and strategies; represent the NMAETC to the professional and lay community on medical and patient care issues; maintain knowledge of the changing social, regulatory, political, and economic factors that affect medical and health services of minority patients with HIV/AIDS; help establish appropriate relationships with health care organizations serving minority communities. Budgetary and fiscal management as well as related human resources responsibilities.
- 2004-2006** **National Minority AIDS Education and Training Center**
(NMAETC) Howard University School of Medicine,
Washington, DC.
Position: Co- Principal Investigator & Project Director/Assistant Professor
Responsible for assisting the Principal Investigator in the execution and planning of NMAETC clinical program goals and objectives; supervised and oversaw the day to day operations of the NMAETC and collaborates with outside agencies; supervised clinical and non-clinical personnel with the appropriate education/training to support capacity building activities.
- 1996-2006** **National Organization on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, Washington, DC.**
Position: Director of Medical Education
Develop, direct, oversee, and arrange all aspects of curriculum development for the teaching of Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS), to medical schools, physician assistants, and graduate nursing programs at the local and national level; Gather data and coordinate implementation for academic requirements; Coordinate teaching the course at Georgetown University Medical school.

- 2000-2010** **School of Public Health and Health Services, Exercise Science Program
George Washington, University, Washington, DC Position: Adjunct.
Nutrition Faculty**
Curriculum development; lecture and academic advisement to graduate and undergraduate students; related research, and faculty activities as required on the science and theory of food and nutrition
- 1990-1996** **Department of Pediatrics, Child Development Center
Georgetown University Medical School, Washington, DC
Position: Assistant Clinical Professor/Director, Public Health Nutrition Services**
Provided leadership and direction to strengthen food and nutrition-related activities, program development, and policy advocacy for multi-ethnic communities including mental retardation, physical and developmental disability; immigrant groups and migrant farm workers; Coordinated scientific analysis as well as nutrition policy and nutrition promoting activities; Designed and developed health evaluation criteria; Coordinated and strengthened departmental health system policy, programs, and reforms; Initiated new ideas for the development of systems for strategic planning, resource allocation and accountability; Assisted in selection of new faculty and medical students; Research and publications; Academic advisement and teaching; Outreached and built linkages with communities and licensing as well as accrediting agencies.
- 1988 – 1990** **Department of Pediatrics, Child Development Center Georgetown University Medical
School, Washington, DC
Position: Instructor/Nutritionist**
Responsibilities included nutritional assessment of low birth weight infants in an inter-disciplinary team setting, Monitored elderly, adults, and adolescent individuals diagnosed with mild, moderate, severe, and profound mental retardation, developmental disabilities and physically challenged conditions. Designed, implemented, coordinated, evaluated and monitored treatment protocols including diet therapy and feeding skills programs. Provided academic advisement, technical assistance, and training to medical students and staff members; conduct assigned research; teaching and academic counseling. Public health activities to include migrant health needs
- 1987 - 1988** **Department of Pediatrics, Child Development Center Georgetown University Medical
School, Washington, DC
Position: Post Doctoral Fellow**
Provided weekly diagnostic assessment to infants at high risk due to pre or postnatal complications, including substance abuse, genetic anomalies, and infectious diseases, including HIV/AIDS; participate in clinical consultations and make core presentations; Developed clinical expertise in pediatric, adolescent, and adult nutritional assessment techniques.

SELECTED RESEARCH EXPERIENCE AND SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

- 2012 NIH Advisory Committee Reviewer the Women Interagency HIV Study (WIHS: ZAI1-RB-A-S1), Bethesda, MD
- 2012 Cultural Competency: Clinicians Role in HIV/AIDS Care the XIX International AIDS Conference, Washington D.C.
- 1012 Cultural Competence: Strengthening the Clinicians Role in Delivering Quality HIV Care within API Transgender Communities, Training Module, Howard University
- 2012 Cultural Competence: Strengthening the Clinicians Role in Delivering Quality HIV Care within Native American Transgender Communities, Training Module, Howard University College of Medicine.
- 2012 Cultural Competence: Strengthening the Clinicians Role in Delivering Quality HIV Care within African American Adolescent Communities, Training Module, Howard University College of Medicine.
- 2012 Cultural Competence: Strengthening the Clinicians Role in Delivering Quality HIV Care within Hispanic Adolescent MSM Communities, Training Module, Howard University College of Medicine.

- 2012 Cultural Competence - Patient-Provider Communication and the Impact on Medical Outcomes for Patients with HIV, Training Module, Howard University College of Medicine.
- 2011 Keeping it real Annual Conference: The Role of Nutrition in Promoting Wellness in the Presence of HIV/AIDS and Other Infectious Diseases, 2011, Silver Springs, MD
- 2011 HIV and Cultural Competency: *What Dentists Need to Know* National Dental Association 2011 Annual Conference - Baltimore, MD,
- 2011 National Medical Association Annual Convention & Scientific Assembly HIV and Nutrition Washington, DC
- 2011 Implementing the CLAS Standards to Reduce HIV Disparity, Training Module, Howard University College of Medicine.
- 2011 Issues of Ethnopharmacology in HIV Management, Training Module, Howard University
- 2011 Promoting HIV Testing Among Diverse Populations, Training Module, Howard University College of Medicine.
- 2011 Triple Whammy for African-Americans: HIV and Psychiatric Illness, Training Module, Howard University College of Medicine.
- 2010 National Medical Association Annual Convention & Scientific Assembly: The Incarcerated Population: Co- Morbidities and HIV Kissimmee, FL, July 2010
- 2010 National Black Nurses Association 39th Annual Conference: The Doris Mosley Workshop: Cultural Competency and Quality of Care. Foreign Trained Nurses and Immigrant Patients- Providing Cultural Competent HIV Care: What Nurses Need to Know San Diego, CA July 2010
- 2010 National Medical Association Annual Convention & Scientific Assembly: The Incarcerated Population: Co-Morbidities and HIV Kissimmee, FL 34746, July 2010
- 2010 Keeping it real Annual Conference: The Role of Nutrition in Promoting Wellness in the presence of HIV/AIDS and other Infectious Diseases, Baltimore MD., 2010
- 2009 NBNA_ HIV Counseling and Testing: CDC New Recommendations: "What Nurses Need to Know", and "Cultural Competency in Health Care, Bridging the Gap What Nurses Need to Know" Toronto, Ontario, Canada, 2009
- 2009 National Black Nurses Association 39th Annual Conference The Doris Mosley Workshop: Cultural Competency and Quality of Care. Foreign Trained Nurses and Immigrant Patients- Providing Cultural Competent HIV Care: What Nurses Need to Know August 2009. Toronto, Canada.
- 2009 Howard University Faculty Historically Black Colleges and Universities Conference on Entrepreneurship "Minority Health & Wellness Entrepreneurship: Present realities and opportunities, 2009
- 2009 American Correctional Association Annual Conference, "Cultural Competency and Managing HIV Co-morbidities" annual conference August 2009, Nashville, TN;
- 2009 Downer, G.A., Watson K, McKinney S. Influence of Stigma on Provider Behavior and Quality of Care for Patients with HIV. Poster presentation, International AIDS Society, New Orleans, LA
- 2009 Downer, G.A., Watson K, McKinney S. Use of Community Participatory Methods to Enhance Quality of HIV Care poster presentation International AIDS Society, New Orleans, LA
- 2009 HIV/AIDS Prevention and Support Services for Women Partners for Incarcerated/Recently Released Men Program, Office of Women's Health. Reviewer.
- 2008 Special Emphasis Panel, National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities, National Institutes of Health. MHIRT Program Application -Reviewer.
- 2007 National Institutes of Health and National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel ZAI1-LW-A-S1. Women's Interagency HIV Study IV (WIHS IV) Limited Competition (U01) - Reviewer.
- 2002 How to Stop Chewing the Fat in Health Issues and Concerns of Women of color. A Call to Action III: A Focus on Cardiovascular Disease: Centering Mind and Body through Prevention and Intervention. Howard University.

2000-2009	<i>Review Panel Member</i> , DC Office of Grants Management and Development, Department of Health, Administration for HIV/AIDS.
2000	Special Emphasis Panel, "Protease Inhibitor Related Atherosclerosis in HIV Infection" Department of Health and Human Services, National Heart, Lung & Blood Institute. Bethesda, MD
1999-Present	Review Panelist, District of Columbia's Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for HIV/AIDS, Proposals for Ryan White Title I Proposals.
1999	Objective Scientific Reviewer, Bureau of Primary Health Care, Department of Health and Human Services, Bethesda, MD.
1997	Peer reviewer, National Institute of Health, National Heart, Lung, Blood Institute, Rockville Md.
1995	The Eating Habits of the Washington D.C. Metropolitan Area Law Enforcement and Fire Fighters in collaboration with the District of Columbia American Dietetic Association.

SELECTED PUBLICATION

- Downer GA, Callwood GB. "Developing an Effective HIV/AIDS Response for Women and Girls in the U.S. Virgin Islands" *Women's Health Issues* [Volume 21, Issue 6, Supplement](#), Pages S283-S286, November/December, 2011
- Downer, GA (Editor) HIV IN COMMUNITIES OF COLOR: The Compendium of Culturally Competent Promising Practices: "The Role of Traditional Healing in HIV Clinical Management" NMAETC, Howard University Press, July, 2011
- Downer, GA. Jamaican Culture (chapter) in the book "Food and Cultural Issues for the Culinary, Hospitality and Nutrition Professions" Jones and Bartlett Publishers. 2011
- Downer, G.A. (Editor) HIV in Communities of Color: A Compendium of Culturally Competent Promising Practices. Howard University Press. (2009)
- Downer, G.A. (Editor) BESAFE Cultural Competency Manual for Asians and Pacific Islanders. Howard University Press. (2009)
- Downer, GA, John-Gilles, C, Farhat F. BESAFE Cultural Competency Manual for Testing in the Emergency room (2009)
- Downer, G.A. (Editor) BSAFE Cultural Competency Manual for Native Americans. (2007) Howard Univ. Press.
- What Advocates Should Know about Child Malnutrition and Neglect in Child Law Practice Vol. 25 No 6. (2006) American Bar Association, Center on Children and the Law.
- Antiretroviral Drugs: Food and Nutrition Complications National Black Nurses Fall/Winter Journal. (2005) NBNA, MD.
- Downer, GA. HIV and Nutrition Information Guide. Written for, HIV/AIDS Administration, DC Department of Health, Government of the District of Columbia. (2004)
- Nutrition and HIV/AIDS as part of a "How to Guide" Health Resources and Services Administration HRSA -, (2004) HIV/AIDS Bureau in collaboration with the National Minority AIDS Council (NMAC). 2004
- Celia Hayes, Elisa Elliot, Edwin Krales, and Goulda Downer. Food and Water Safety for Persons Infected with Human Immunodeficiency Health. Supplement to Clinical Infectious Diseases, Volume 26, April, 2003. Health Resources and Services Administration, HIV/AIDS Bureau, Office of Science and Epidemiology, Service Evaluation and Research Branch, Rockville, MD.
- Downer, GA Nutrition and HIV. National Black Nurses Association, Fall/Winter Journal. NBNA Silver Spring, MD Administration (HRSA), HIV/AIDS Bureau in collaboration with the National Minority AIDS Council (NMAC) (2003)
- Contributing Writer. The State of Black Health: The Distinctive Resource Guide for African-Americans (2002) Levas, Inc. Chalfont, P.A.
- Contributing Writer. Ethnic Food Pyramid, in "Lighten Up: The HealthQuest 30-Day Weight Loss Program" 2001 Harper Collins
- Contributing Writer. What To Eat in "Baby Basics: your month by month guide to a healthy pregnancy." A publication of the What To Expect Foundation, 2001 Workman Publishing, NY.

- Nutrition Self-Management in Diabetes, in *Healthy Weight Journal*, Vol. 15. No. 5 Sept/Oct 2001.
- Nutrition and HIV: Coping with the Discomforts & Nutrition and HIV: Keeping Food Safe, Howard Univ, 1998
- Fetal Alcohol Syndrome: Preventing Birth Defects. HT Volume 4, No. 6, May/June 1997.
- Heart-Healthy Home Cooking: African American Style, USDHHS, NIH Publication #97-3792, September 1997; Energize Yourself - Stay Physically Active, NIH Publication #97-4059; Spice Up Your Life - Eat Less Salt and Sodium, NIH Publication #97-4060; Protect Your Heart - Preventing High Blood Pressure, NIH Publication #97-4062; Empower Yourself- Learn Your Cholesterol Number NIH Publication #97-4063; Embrace Your Health - Lose Weight If You are Overweight, NIH Publication #97-4063; Be Heart Smart - Eat Foods Lower in Saturated Fats and Cholesterol, NIH Publication #97-4064; Refresh Yourself - Stop Smoking, NIH Publication #97-4065. 1997
- Personal Perspectives: The Role of Nutrition in Transition to Community-Based Settings. *Dietetics in Developmental and Psychiatric Disorders*, Vol. 14, No 4, spring 1996.
- "Healthy Eating Ideas for our Trailblazers" and "Healthy Eating Ideas for our Crimefighters." Brochure for the Washington D.C. Metropolitan fire and police departments 1995.
- Anthropometric Measurements of Individuals with Multiple Handicapping Conditions. *Dietetics in Development and Psychiatric Disorders: Volume 13, Number 1, summer 1994.*
- Nutrition and Substance Abuse, (Section 2) in a course for incarcerated individuals who have a history of substance abuse. 1990.

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL COMMITTEE SERVICES

2013:	Affordable Care Act, Plan Management Advisory Committee, Washington, DC
2012-Present	Washington, DC Statewide Health Coordinating Council, Washington, DC.
2009 -Present	Member, Community Advisory Board, the District of Columbia Developmental Center for AIDS Research(DC D-CFAR)
2008-2013	Executive Board Member, National Association of People with AIDS. Silver Spring MD
2008-2012	Howard University Research Committee Member, Washington, DC.
2003-Present	Nutrition and Food Science Advisory Board Member, University of the District of Columbia, Washington, DC.
2001-2006	Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Advisory Committee, Office of Consumer Affairs, Rockville, MD.
2001-2012	Chair, Board of Nutrition and Dietetics, <i>Department of Health, Health Regulation Administration, Washington, DC.</i>
2000-2003	HIV Nutrition Guidelines Panel Member and Co-Leader of the Food, Water Safety and Other Issues group of the Expert Panel, Department of Health and Human Services, Health Service Administration, Rockville, MD.
1999-2011	Chairperson, Washington, DC Statewide Health Coordinating Council, Washington, DC.
1998-2005	Producer and Host of the locally produced television show CARIBNATION; seen locally and throughout the Caribbean.
1997-2000	Advisory Member, Public Voice for Food and Health Policy, 21 st Annual Conference, D.C.
1997-2003	Advisory Member, US Federal Trade Commission, Division of Service Industry, Consumer Education Committee on Healthy Weight Management, Washington, DC.
1995-1999	Chairperson, Nutrition Conference Committee, The March of Dimes Births defects Foundation, National Capital Area Chapter, Washington, DC.
1995-2005	Health and Food Editor, Black Suburban Journal, Delaware, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania Ed.
1994-2002	Member, Health Advisory Committee, March of Dimes National Chapter. (Provide policy advice and guidance to grantees for research and program development).

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- FEMA 18th Annual Emergency Management Institute Federal, Higher Education Symposium, Panel Discussant: “Whole of Community–Talking about My Generation” Emergency Management Agency Department of Homeland Security Emmitsburg, MD, 2016
- The Role of Cultural Competence in Emergency Management. George Washington University Office of Emergency Management and the Consortium of Universities of the Washington Metropolitan Area 2016 Emergency Management in Higher Education Seminar, 2016
- HOWARD UNIVERSITY GLOBAL HEALTH INITIATIVES, United States Agency for International Development, Global Development Lab and Bureau for Economic Growth, Education, and the Environment (E3), 2014
- The Role of Cultural Competence in Emergency Management, 3 hour course developed specifically for and presented to the National Center for Disaster Medicine and Public Health in collaboration Boston University, Healthcare Emergency Management. 2014
- HIV/AIDS: A Minority Health Issue- Howard University’s Systems Thinking Approach to Reducing HIV/AIDS Disparities within Communities of Color Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), 2013, Atlanta.
- National Dental Association Annual Conference. An Emerging Oral Health Issue: HIV & Aging. MD, 2013
 - The Ryan White Program in the Post-ACA Era: *Closing Gaps in Prevention, Testing, Care and Treatment*. The 2013 CBC Spring Health Braintrust and National Minority Quality Forum 10th Annual Health Disparities, Washington, DC, 2013.
 - White House Forum on African-Americans and HIV/AIDS: HIV/AIDS Stigma and Discrimination in the African-American community. White House, July 2012.
 - The HIV/AIDS Epidemic: WHAT DENTISTS NEED TO KNOW National Dental Association Annual conference. Baltimore, MD 2011.
 - Establishing a Successful and Sustainable HIV/AIDS Prevention Program. MSI ALLGRANTEE MEETING, ABT & Associates, Bethesda MD ,2011.
 - *THE ROLE OF NUTRITION IN PROMOTING WELLNESS IN THE PRESENCE OF HIV/AIDS and OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES*, KEEPING IT REAL ANNUAL CONFERENCE, Silver Spring, 2011.
 - USAID Feed the Future Initiative: Operational issues- M&E, technical assistance mechanisms, capacity/professional development of Gender Informed Nutrition & Agriculture Programs. India, February, 2011.
 - Nutrition and Food Security: Twin Resources in the Management of HIV/AIDS KEEPING IT REAL ANNUAL CONFERENCE, Baltimore MD, 2010.
 - How to Combat HIV on HBCUs. White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities Building HBCU Capacity/Readiness for Health Care Reform. Washington, DC, 2009
 - Cultural Sensitivity in delivery of HIV Prevention and Treatment Services for African Immigrants, March ,Rockville, MD, 2009.
 - HIV/AIDS: A Minority Health Issue. A Systems Thinking Approach to Reducing HIV/AIDS Disparities within Communities of Color. National Minority Quality Forum in collaboration with the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation Spring Health Braintrust 6th Annual Leadership Summit.
 - GLOBAL PUBLIC HEALTH: Treatment and Nutrition Program Policy, NASTAD Annual Meeting, Virginia 2009.
 - The HIV/AIDS Epidemic: A Nursing Challenge Black Nurses of Greater Washington DC Area. 29th Annual Awards Luncheon, Greenbelt, MD, 2009.
 - National HIV and Pregnancy Needs. National Medical Association. Atlanta 2009.
 - HIV Counseling and Testing and Cultural Competence Training for Physicians. National Medical Association Post Convention. Miami FL 2009.
 - Hawaii AIDS Education and Training Center: Nutrition, Food Security and HIV: Honolulu, Hawaii, 2007.
 - HIV, Nutrition and Cultural Competency: What Dentists Need to Know? National Dental Association, 2007
 - Health for Powerful Women Leaders: Nutrition Matters. NAACP convention, Detroit MI, 2007.
 - Women and HIV: What Nurses Need to Know? National Black Nurses Association: Atlanta Georgia, 2007.
 - Cultural Competency and HIV in Dental Care: National Dental Association. Atlanta Georgia, 2007.

- Nutrition and HIV What Nurses Need to Know. National Black Nurses Association. Chicago IL 2006.
- Nutrition HIV: What Dentists need to know? National Dental Association. Las Vegas, NE, 2006.
- Cultural Competency and Sustainability at the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention Minority HIV/AIDS Initiative Grantee Training Institute, Byscane Bay, Miami FL September 2006.
- HIV in Women and Children at the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA); Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) Women and Children's Annual Grantee Meeting, Washington, DC, September 2006.
- HIV/AIDS in minority women, AIDS Alliance for Children Youth and Families Annual Conference "VOICES 2006" Arlington VA 2006.
- U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES FIRST NATIONAL CHILD HEALTH AND CHILD WELFARE CONFERENCE - Closing *the Disparity Gap for Racial and Ethnic Minority Children*- Culturally Competent Prevention & Early Intervention Services: **NUTRITION and the Role of Family and Culture in Childhood Obesity**, 2004.
- Malnutrition and Child Neglect: The Impact of Food Insecurity, D.C Family Court Interdisciplinary Training, Washington, DC, 2004.
- Making Sense of Emerging Dietary Trends, 5th Annual Sweetener Conference, Washington DC 2004.
- Government of the District of Columbia, Department of Health, HIV/AIDS Administration: Women's Summit II Coming to AMERICA: HIV/AIDS and the Immigrant population, Washington DC 2004.
- International Women's Day Conference on Human Trafficking – A Global Tragedy: Howard University Hospital Office of International Healthcare Services, Washington, DC, 2004.
- Public Health Challenges in Nutrition and Physical Activity. The 17th Annual Maternal and Child Coordinating Conference, Washington, DC 2003.
- Prime Time Sister's Call to Action: Reclaiming our Health. Congressional Black Caucus Annual Legislative conference. Washington, DC 2002.
- Health Issues and Concerns of Women of Color: A Call to Action III: A Focus on Cardiovascular Disease. Howard University Women's Health Institute. Washington DC 2002.
- National Medical Association, Region V. Clinical updates Conference: Nutrition and HIV. St. Louis, Missouri, 2002.
- National Bar Association Annual Conference: Nutrition Strengthening the Family, Strengthening the World, Washington, DC - 2000.
- National Institute of Health Awareness Fair: Addressing Health Disparities: NIH Program of Action, Bethesda, MD - 2000. National Dental Association 86th Annual Conference: President's Mind, Body, Spirit Symposium: You Are What You Eat, Atlanta, GA - 1999.
- The Congressional Black Caucus Health Brainthrust, Under the auspices of Congressman Louis Stokes: The Role of Nutrition on Health Promotion and Disease Prevention in the African American Community, Washington, DC - 1998.

FORMAL EDUCATION

Post Doctoral Pediatric Nutrition Fellow, Georgetown University Medical Center, Child Development Center, Washington, DC - 1989

Doctor of Philosophy Department of Human Nutrition and Food, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, [Major- Public Health Nutrition; Minor- International Nutrition]. Howard University, Washington, DC – 1988

Master of Science, Department of Human Nutrition and Food, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, [Major-] Howard University, Washington, DC - 1985

Bachelor of Science, Department of Nutrition and Dietetics– 1983.

SELECTED AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2014: Pratt Institute Community Commitment Award 2014 Alumni Achievement Awards**, for working to help strengthen the U.S. National HIV clinical workforce; New York
- 2014: Fellow of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (FAND)**. Awarded in recognition as a member of the Academy who has made significant contributions to the field of nutrition and dietetics and have distinguished themselves among their colleagues, as well as in their communities, by their service to the nutrition and dietetics profession and by optimizing the nation's health through food and nutrition.
- 2013 The 2013 CBC Health Braintrust Leadership in Advocacy Award** from the Congressional Black caucus for strengthening the US HIV clinical workforce by educating and training over 46,000 clinicians and care providers nationwide, to offer culturally competent, quality clinical HIV care.
- 2013 National Association of Health Services Executives-Washington Metropolitan Area Chapter (NAHSE-WMAC) Leadership award in Health Care.**
- 2011 DIVA Award**, for strengthening HIV Clinical workforce within the Caribbean region.
- 2008 Balm in Gilead Wisdom of Healers Leadership Award.**
- 2007 Excelsior Alumni Association Award for excellence .**
- 2003 Caribbean American Intercultural Organization, Inc. (CAIO) 2003 PEARLA. WATSON, MEMORIAL AWARD** for excellence in the delivery of health care.
- 2002 Andrew Radar United States Army Health Clinic, Appreciation Award, Fort Myers, Virginia**, for "Fetal Alcohol Syndrome and Contemporary Issues Facing Women with Alcohol Problems."
- 1999 Expert Faculty Appreciation Award**, the Women's Health Institute and the National Minority AIDS Education and Training Center at Howard University.
- 1999 Regional Finalist**, White House Fellowship Program.
- 1999 Ebony Image Award** for Community Health, Coalition of 100 Black Women, Virginia Chapter.
- 1997 Community Business Woman of the Year Award** for Washington, Maryland and Virginia Area – American Business Women's Association.
- 1996 Certificate of Appreciation** for outstanding assistance in facilitating the implementation of the National Physician's Network to improve cardiovascular health in the African American Community - National Institute of Health.
- 1990 Top Thirty-Two Nutritionists** in Washington, D.C. The Afro-American Newspaper, Capital Edition, December

References are available on request



Executive Office of the Mayor - Office of Talent and Appointments

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Goulda Downer



Dr. Downer is Principal Investigator, Project Director, and Assistant Professor at the Howard University School of Medicine.

Dr. Downer has worked as a consultant, reviewer, clinician, and leader in the health field with a focus on providing holistic healthcare to vulnerable communities both in and outside of the United States. She collaborates with government and private partners to address H.I.V. education with patients and cultural competency with healthcare workers to reduce disparity. She is a proven investigator of health crises and trends as well as with impact assessments for various programs including food security and healthcare accessibility. Dr. Downer consults with various agencies and institutions to assist in public awareness, healthcare industry educational enhancement, policy creation, and data collection and analysis.

A Ward 4 resident, Dr. Downer received a Bachelor of Science from Howard University, a Master of Science from Howard University, a Doctorate in Public Health with a minor in International Health from Howard University, and a Post-Doctoral Fellow from Georgetown University Medical Center.



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Executive Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

To: Lolita Alston, Steve Walker
From: Betsy Cavendish
Date: April 4, 2017
Subject: Legal sufficiency review of Resolutions reappointing Barbara Ormond, Robert Brandon, Zinethia Clemmons, Jacqueline Bowens, and Goulda Downer to the Statewide Health Coordinating Council

This is to Certify that this office has reviewed the above-referenced Resolutions and found them to be legally unobjectionable. If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call me at 202-724-7681.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Elizabeth A. Cavendish'.

Elizabeth Cavendish