My name is Dr Kurfi Abubakar Muhammad, I have a Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery and a master's degree in Public Health as well as an MBA in International Health Care Management. I also have over 15 years' experience in the areas of health management, health policy and planning as well as health care financing in Nigeria.

Presently, I serve as the Head International Collaboration Division of the National Health Insurance in Nigeria, my work involves supporting the National Health Insurance Scheme to develop and implement policies and guidelines that will catalyze Nigeria's trajectory towards UHC. My work also involves coordinating the activities of donors and implementing partners to mobilize resources towards advancing UHC in Nigeria.



I am interested in factors that affect the uptake of health care services and how these factors translate into improvement in health service delivery and health outcomes. I am also interested in the dynamics of health policy formulation, diffusion, translation, and utilization in developing countries.

My cumulative work experience and skills have enabled me to appreciate the complex challenges of health service provision in low income societies and how to design simple, practical, and costeffective pathways for overcoming such challenges. I will use my knowledge and experience to improve on the existing structures and systems in the EV network. I will also work with others to enhance the partnership and collaboration system within the EV network towards improving global health.

I do hope you find my backgrounds and strengths commensurate with the requirements for this role.