

Curriculum Vitae

I. Personal Information

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II. Education

A. Undergraduate/Medical Education

09/1989-08/1996 Jimma Institute of
Health Sciences, Ethiopia
Degree of Doctor of Medicine

B. Postgraduate Training

- 07/2005 to 06/2009:
General Surgery Resident at Baylor
College of Medicine, Houston, Texas
77030 (Was given 12 months of credit
by the American Board of Surgery for
my prior completed general surgery
training in Ethiopia.)
- 07/2004 - 06/2005
General Surgery Resident at Bronx-Lebanon
Hospital Center, Bronx, New York 10457
- 01/1999 - 03/2003
General Surgery Resident at Black
Lion Specialized Teaching and
Central Referral Hospital,
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia . Board
Certified General Surgeon in
Ethiopia.

II. Work Experience:

1. 08/03/2009 to the present time
General Surgeon at Kaweah Delta Health
Care District & Tulare Regional Hospital
2. 04/2003 - 10/2003
General Surgeon
Saint Paul General Hospital, Addis
Ababa, Ethiopia
3. 11/1996 -11/1998
Agaro Health Centre, Jimma, Ethiopia
District Health Manager- with duties of
providing both preventive and
curative health services, including
inpatient and outpatient management
of medical, surgical, obstetric and
pediatric patients and also coordinating
and implementing immunization campaigns
and health education activities for
selected target groups like sex workers,
and students.

IV. Research Experience:

1. 03/2002 - 12/2002
Black Lion Hospital, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
A Twenty Year Retrospective Analysis Of
Periampullary Tumors in Black Lion
Hospital with Professor Orovar Johnson,
Chief of Surgery
2. 01/2004 - 05/2004
Illinois Center for Clinical Research
Clinical Research Coordinator

V. Volunteer Experience:

1. 11/2003 - 4/2004
Saint Joseph Hospital, Chicago, Illinois
Volunteer Physician
-Participated in the nationwide study of
very low birth weight newborns.
-Prepared a teaching aid on common Neonatal
surgical emergencies

2. 05/2000 - 05/2001

Ethiopian Aid, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
General Medical Practitioner

I was one among the volunteer physicians who participated in the follow-ups and management of orphan children who lost their parents due to HIV/AIDS.

3. 02/1197 - 12/1998

Jimma Catholic Missionary Home, Jimma,
Ethiopia.

General Medical Practitioner

I was the volunteer physician in this nursing home, which is a non-profit institution for the economically deprived elderly with chronic medical illnesses.

VI. Honors /Awards:

1. Awarded the McCollum Academic Achievement Award for obtaining the highest scores on the 2006 American Board of Surgery In-Training Exam (ABSITE)
2. Best Intern in the Departments of Internal Medicine and Surgery at Jimma Institute of Health Sciences, Jimma, Ethiopia
3. Awarded by the South African Health Team in 1997 In recognition of my efforts in fighting HIV/AIDS among sex workers in Agaro, Ethiopia.

VII. Membership in Honorary/ Professional Societies:

1. Ethiopian Medical Association
2. Surgical Society of Ethiopia
3. Ethiopian Public Health Association
4. Association of Surgeons of East Africa
5. American Medical Association
6. American College of Surgeons

VIII. Language Fluency:

English, Amharic and Tigrigna