Biography of Proposed Guideline Development Group Members

Bankah, Elizabeth	
Institutional Affiliation	Greater Accra Regional Hospital, Accra, Ghana
Academic Degrees	MBCHB, MWACP, MPH

Biography:

Dr. Elizabeth Bankah is a Family Physician at the Greater Accra Regional Hospital. She provides care to all ages but has a special interest in adolescents and young people. After simultaneously completing residency programs in Family Medicine at the West Africa College of Physicians and the Ghana College of Physicians and Surgeons, she went on to complete a master's degree at the University of Ghana School of Public Health in Adolescent Health. She also completed a degree in Adolescent Health and Well-being from the University of Melbourne in Australia. Dr. Bankah is the founder and Head of the Adolescent Care Clinic, a prototype in Ghana where she leads a team to provide comprehensive primary care to adolescents and young people. She is a volunteer and board chairperson of Diabetes Youth Care (DYC) an NGO which provides psychosocial and material support to young persons living with Type 1 diabetes. She is a member of the national technical committee on the Adolescent Health and Development program of the Ghana Health Service. She has been involved in the development of training manuals and training of degree nurses and Family Medicine residents in adolescent care. She is passionate about her work and leads and participates in DYC support group meetings.

Gonzalez, Manuel Vera	
Institutional Affiliation	Institute of Endocrinology, University of Havana, Cuba.
Academic Degrees	MD, Fellow Endocrinology

Biography:

Dr Manuel Vera Gonzalez completed his medical degree at the University of Havana from 1964 to 1970 and did his residency in Endocrinology at the Institute of Endocrinology between 1974 and 1977. He previously served as the Head of diabetic care centre in Havana and the head of education program at the national institute of endocrinology. Among his accomplishments include the creation of a national diabetic education program for children and adolescents in Cuba and ISPAD prize for innovation in diabetes care for the CONVIVENCIAS program.

Habib-Jawulaa, Sumayaat	
Academic Degrees	Diploma in business administration
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Biography:

Habib-Jawulaa Sumayaat (SHJ) is an executive secretary at Ali-Nakyea & Associates, of Tax Attorneys, Solicitors and Consultants in Accra. She is a patient advocate for increasing access and quality of care for the management of diabetes mellitus in children and adolescents. She is also herself, a mother to a child living with type 1 diabetes mellitus. She works actively with Diabetes Youth Care, a non-governmental organization that supports young children living with diabetes.

Omar, Anjumanara	
Institutional Affiliation	Department of Paediatrics & Child Health, University of Nairobi
Academic Degrees	MBBS, M Med

Biography:

Dr Anjumanara Omar has been a lecturer and a consultant paediatric endocrinologist at the University of Nairobi School of Medicine Department of Paediatrics and Child Health for the past 10 years. She is responsible for running one of the biggest and busiest clinics at Kenyatta National Hospital, a tertiary hospital. She also provides technical support to the ministry of health in the development of policies and strategies on type 1 diabetes mellitus. She is also PhD supervisor at the University of Nairobi. She is also an author of several publications and books on management of paediatric diabetes mellitus.

Piloya-Were, Thereza		
Institutional Affiliation	Department of Paediatrics, College of Health Sciences,	
	Makerere University	
Academic Degrees	MBCHB, M.Med	

Biography:

Dr. Thereza Piloya-Were MBChB, M.Med is a senior lecturer and paediatric endocrinologist at the department of paediatrics, school of medicine, Makerere University. She has over 9 years of experience working as a paediatric endocrinologist in Uganda. Her major areas of research include infectious diseases, non-communicable diseases (Diabetes Mellitus, Vitamin D), and child health. She is a principal / co-investigator and mentor in collaborative research grants, with publications that have impacted clinical care. As an expert in paediatric endocrinology, she is the founder member (10 years ago) of the paediatric endocrinology Clinic (None - Diabetes Services) at the National Referral Hospital, Mulago in Uganda. This clinic has supported teaching, clinical care, and research for undergraduate and graduate students in College of Health sciences at Makerere University. She has participated in development of guidelines for Uganda; MoH NCD desk guidelines, in the region; East Africa Paediatric Diabetes guidelines and Internationally; ISPAD Clinical Practice Consensus Guidelines 2022: Managing Diabetes in preschoolers.