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| PROPOSED ROLE IN THE PROJECT: |  |
| Family name: | Antobam |
| First name: | Samuel |
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| Nationality: | Ghana |
| Civil status: |  |

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| **Education:** |

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| Institution (Date from - Date to): | Degree(s) or Diploma(s) obtained: |
| University of Witwatersrand  01 Feb, 2004 - 01 Feb, 2006 | MA in Demography and Population Studies |
| University of Zimbabwe  July, 1998 - July, 2002 | BA Hons in Philosophy |
| University of the Witwatersrand   June, 2008 – 12 Dec, 2012 | Doctorate (PhD) in Demography and Population Studies |
| April -September 2020  University of Cape Town | Certificate in Advanced Project Management |

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| LANGUAGES SKILLS : Indicate competence on a scale of 1 to 5 (1 - excellent; 5 - basic): |

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| Language | Reading | Speaking | Writing |
| French | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| English | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Akan | 1 | 1 | 1 |

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| Membership of professional bodies: | 1. South African Monitory and Evaluation Association (SAMEA).  2. Population Association of America (PAA).  3. Union of African Population Scientists (UAPS).  4. International Union for Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP). |

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| OTHER SKILLS: (e.g. Computer literacy, etc.) | IT Skills: STATA; SPSS; MS Excel; Atlas-ti; MS PowerPoint; MS Access; EpiInfo. |

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| Present position: | Research Consultant, President of Board of Advisors (Voluntary) |

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| **Specific experience in the region:** |

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| Ghana | Mar, 2020 - Ongoing  12 Dec, 2012 - 29 Feb, 2020  Sep, 1995 - Jul, 1996  Oct, 2019 - Ongoing |
| South Africa | 01 Mar, 2012 - 31 Jan, 2013  01 Jan, 2011 - Jun, 2011  01 Oct, 2006 - 30 Jan, 2011  Jan, 2006 - 06 Feb, 2007 |
| Nigeria | Sep, 2002 - Dec, 2003 |
| Zimbabwe | May, 2001 - Jul, 2001 |

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| Professional experience: |

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| Date from - Date to | Location | Company / reference person¹ (name & contact details) | Position | Description |
| Mar, 2020 -  Ongoing | Ghana | Ipas NC (USA) | Research and Evaluation Consultant | Research Coordination, Monitoring, Evaluation and Research using both quantitative and qualitative approaches in impact assessment/measurement of health and Socio-economic interventions eg. Family Planning, Health systems and Community linkages analyses; Assessing health service data for programmatic decisions, Capacity building in impact evaluation; Field trips to monitor progress of data collection, implementation of projects and discussion with management of key stakeholders such as Directors and program managers of NGOs, government authorities etc .  Liaise with or engages government authorities on research/evaluation project implementation and results |
| 12 Dec, 2012 -  29 Feb, 2020 | Ghana | Ipas (Ghana) / - | Senior Research Monitory and Evaluation Advisor II | Manages and leads the Monitory, Research and Evaluation (R&E) Unit of the organization. In charge of innovational approaches in Data Analyses, Database and Geo-referencing, monitoring, research and evaluation of donor funded health intervention programs especially Family Planning in communities, Private and public health/Ghana Health facilities in 14 out of 16 regions of Ghana; Technical advisor and a major decision maker of all research and evaluation projects. In charge of field activities, In-depth Interviews, Focus group discussions, trips to monitor projects in the fields.  Principal Investigator for research projects; In charge of getting IRB/ERC approval Impact evaluation projects interview/survey tool and general study design;  Manages the financial budget of R&E unit of the organization.; Coaching Masters students in quantitative and qualitative approaches;  Oversee quantitative and qualitative approaches of evaluation/assessment, sampling, literature review, statistical and econometric modelling, data analyses, report writing and presentation of results  Engages directors and program managers of NGOS as well as government authorities on research protocols, implementation and outputs/results of evaluation/assessment projects  Lead author in development of both qualitative and quantitative papers for publication and presentation at both local and international conferences; Donors, key partners like the Government and NGOs.  Lead author in development of proposals for funded projects, and donor reports.  In charge of consultant recruitment, oversee consultants; provide technical direction for Consultants, and review deliverables from consultants for final sign-off.  Build capacity o staff and partners, especially NGOs, Health providers, researchers and other community-based organisations that work with Ipas. |
| 01 Mar, 2012 -  31 Jan, 2013 | South Africa | WITS University (University of the Witwatersrand) / - | Research Project manager | Univ. of Witwatersrand/Medical Research Council -AHPU.  In charge of running multi-country research and evaluation projects; Getting IRB approval; Manage Fieldwork including in-depth interviews;  Conduct complex statistical analyses using big longitudinal data from the Health and Demographic surveillance system and other national surveys to produce research output in accredited journals and presentation to donors and conferences.  The role includes analysis of skill migration and health of those left behind; monitoring and evaluating health and socioeconomic intervention programs using cohort design and some cross sectional designs as well as secondary data analyses; sampling, survey tool design, Analyses .  Coaching Masters students in quantitative analyses using Census data, DHS data, Labour force survey and Living Standard Survey. Link person to international Principal Investigators on technical as well as project management issues; Fund raising; Presented papers at local and international conferences, donors and key stakeholders. |
| 01 Jan, 2011 -  Jun, 2011 | South Africa | WITS University (University of the Witwatersrand) / - | Assistant Lecturer | Demography and Population Studies Programme.  Taught a course in fertility and adolescent reproductive health, Skill migration and Migrant Health, and Introduction to quantitative research, monitory and evaluation techniques; monitoring Honours and masters students; Submitting papers for presentations in local and international conferences. |
| 01 Oct, 2006 -  30 Jan, 2011 | South Africa | Growth Laboratory / G' Lab / Growth Lab / - | Senior Research / Evaluation officer | Industry sector: Research and evaluation in labour market, skill development, Health and Socioeconomic interventions.  In charge of Research and evaluation design and lead monitoring & evaluation of multi-funded projects in the area of skill development, Health and social intervention to improve employment of the youth, Applying statistics and econometrics in evaluation models; Data analysis sampling; Designing research and evaluation survey projects, Development of Project design and research methodology, Evaluations of projects,; Quantitative analysis; Survey design; Report writing; presentation; coaching junior staff in statistical analyses, Data cleaning and quality assurance; Proposal development and presentation of research finding in both local and international conferences.  Most of the Research, monitoring and Evaluative projects were for Department of Social Welfare, Ministry of Health, Land and local government, Department of Labour, etc. Provide capacity building for partners in the public sector.  Engages mangers and directors of state enterprises on research/valuation implementation and results |
| Jan, 2006 -  06 Feb, 2007 | South Africa | CASE Community Agency for Social Enquiry (South Africa) / - | Assistant Statistician / Demographer | Sampling, Research design; Statistical Analysis of various evaluation projects in health and social issues; Data cleaning; Report writing; Survey design, Proposal development. |
| Sep, 2002 -  Dec, 2003 | Nigeria | Loyola Jesuit College / - | Mathematics Teacher | Math and class teacher |
| May, 2001 -  Jul, 2001 | Zimbabwe | Visitation - Makumbi High School / - | English and Mathematics Teacher | A **voluntary** teaching assignment during a long vacation after third year in the University of Zimbabwe. I did not go home (Ghana) for vacation. So did this voluntary work while waiting for the next academic year to begin. |
| Sep, 1995 -  Jul, 1996 | Ghana | Montessori Primary and Junior High School / - | Social Studies Teacher | Taught Social Studies and was a class teacher of Primary Two |
| Oct, 2019 - Ongoing | Ghana | Ghana Christian Family Foundation / - | President of Board of Advisors | Organization: A **voluntary** service to NGO founded by Cardinal Turkson to support education and skill development of needy young people in Cape Coast Diocese of the Catholic Church. |

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| **Other relevant information (e.g., Publications):** | **Publications**  1. Marlow H.M, Awal A.M, **Antobam SK**., Azumah S., Regan E. 2018. “Men’s support for abortion in Upper East and Upper West Ghana” Culture, Health and Sexuality, 2018.  2. **Antobam, S.K** (2016) “Migration, Savings and Business Investment in Rural South Africa,’ Published as a chapter of a book Population and Development in South Africa since 1994. by Sharpe, New York, 2016.  3. Shallenberg, K., **Antobam SK**., Voetagbe G. (2017). “Determining the accuracy of pregnancy-length dating among women presenting for induced abortions in Ghana” International Journal of Gynecology and Obstetrics, 2017.  4. **Antobam, S.K** (2010) Sex Differentials in Child Mortality: Does Lineage System Matter? A book published by VDM Publishing Company, Germany.  5. **Antobam, S.K** (2010) “Is there Salvation after Debt? An Awareness of the Socioeconomic Dimension of Salvation” Chiedza, Vol. 3, No. 2, Dec 2000.  **Invitation to serve as a Peer-Reviewer for accredited journals**:   1. Journal of Sexual and Reproductive Health Matters;   2. BioMed Central (BMC) Supplement;  3. International Economic Migration Review.  **Invitation to review Conference Papers and/or Chair Sections**:   1. 1. International Union for the Scientific Study of Populations (IUSSP), South Africa; 2017 2. 2. International Conference on Family Planning (ICFP), Rwanda, 2018   3. Union of African Population Studies (UAPS), South Africa;, 2017  4. International Conference of Midiwives (ICM), Canada.2016  5. Member of Day of Dialogue Meeting on Implications of the 2014 DHS Findings for Family Planning Programming in Ghana, UNFPA & GHS, Accra, 2015  **Invited Professional Presentations**:  1. Antobam S.K and Dr. Koma Jehu-Appiah, 2020. “Reducing maternal mortality due to unsafe abortion: The Ghana paradox” Accepted to be presented at Population Association of America (PAA) conference, Washington, April 2020.  2. Antobam S.K. 2018. “Effect of stigma on the choice between medical and surgical abortion.” FIGO 2018, Rio De Jeneiro, Brazil, 2018.  3. Antobam S.K. 2017. “Programmatic Support and Professional Obligations of Midwives in Challenging Environment: Evidence from the Field.” ICM 2017 Midwives Congress, Toronto, Canada, 2017.  4. Antobam S.K 2016. “Counselling and uptake of long acting reversible methods (LARC) in selected regions of Ghana” African Abortion Research to Policy” , Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, December 2016.  5. Antobam S.K. 2016. “Refresher training in counselling and uptake of post-abortion family planning” Presented at population Association of America conference, Washington, USA. April 2016; IUSSP 2017, Cape Town.  6. Shellenberg Kristen, Antobam S.K, Voetagbe G. (2015) “Determining the accuracy of gestational dating among women presenting for an abortion: Presented at Annual Family Health Conference, Ghana Health Service: Kumasi (Ghana), April 2015.  7. Antobam, S.K.; Selorme Azumah; Paul Mary, (2015) “It is Bad if It Does not Affect Me: Attitudes and Self-Efficacy Towards Abortion in Some Ghanaian Communities” Presented African Federation of Obstetrics and Gynecologists (AFOG) conference: Nairobi, February, 2015.  8. Antobam, S.K. Heather Marlow; Gertrude Voetagbe, (2015) “Youths Abortion Decision Pathways: Who, Where and When” National Abortion Federation (NAF) Conference, Baltimore, April 2015.  9. Antobam, S.K. (2014) “An Investigation Why some Midlevel Health Providers Start Provision of Services Late After both Theoretical and Practical Training” To be presented at International Union of Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP) Seminar on Reproductive Health, Nairobi: 3-5th June, 2014.  10. Antobam, S.K. and M. Smith and K. Jehu-Appiah (2014) “ Factors Affecting Postabortion Family Planning Uptake: A Need to Revisit Service Integration” Presented at International Union of Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP) Seminar on Postabortion Family Planning, Cochin, India, 11-13 Nov, 2014.  11. Antobam, S.K. (2013) “Parental Absence and Child’s Educational Progression” presented, South Korea, 26-31 Aug, 2013.  12. Antobam, S.K (2012) “Effect of Maternal Migration on Child Survival Probabilities in Rural South Africa,” presented at British Society of Population Studies (BSPS), Nottingham, UK, 10th Sept, 2012.  13. Antobam, S.K (2011) “ Measuring Household Remittance Expectation”, presented at Population Association of America (PAA) Conference, Washington DC, USA.  14. Antobam, S.K (2010) “ Money Will Come from Abroad: Family Expectations of Remittance Flows” Present at Population Association of America (PAA) Conference, Dallas, Texas, USA April 2010.  15. Antobam, S.K (2008) “Remittance Elasticity Behaviour of Poor Migrants in South Africa” Presented at Young Demographers’ Conference, Nuremburg, Germany, October, 2008.  16. Antobam, S.K (2008) “Remittance Flows from Immigrants” Presented at European Population Conference, Barcelona, Spain, June, 2008.  **Awards:** 1. Research Fund from Society of Family Planning (USA) for assessing men support for family planning and abortion in Northern Ghana.  2. Research Funding from School of Public Heath, Univ. of the Witwatersrand, 2012.  3. Doctoral study fellowship from Hewlett Foundation, USA, 2007-2010.  4. Post graduate merit award – Wits University, 2005-2006.  5. Travel award from Population Association of America, 2011, 2020.  6. Travel award from German Ministry of Interior, 2008.  7. Travel award from IUSSP to present a paper at Busan Conference, 2013.  8. Travel award from IUSSP to present a paper at Cape Town Conference, 2017.  April, 2011 - Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, USA. 9th Annual Wits/Brown/Colorado/APHRC Colloquium. On Measuring Current and Emerging Population Movement and development Issues; Research Ethics.  **Ongoing Research and Evaluation Projects:** 1. Multi-country psychometric evaluation of received social support scale (R3S) among women and girls who experienced abortions.  Approach: Quantitative and qualitative; Role: Principal investigator for Ghana arm of the study.  2. Medication Abortion Over-the-Counter Study.  Approach: Quantitative and qualitative; Role: Research Coordinator of major stakeholders.  **Completed Research and Evaluation Project since 2015:**  1. Assessment of Adolescents and young people/adolescents and young people living with HIV’s experience with current HIV & TB programs in Ghana and their participation in the Global Fund Funding/CCM Processes.  Role: Lead investigator.  2. Evaluating the TeamSTEPPS® approach for improving family planning abortion care services in Bolivia and Ghana.  Approach: Quantitative and Qualitative; Role: Co-principal investigator.  3. The Choice and Discontinuation of Long-Acting Reversible Contraceptive (LARC) Methods.  Approach:Quantitative; Role: Principal Investigator. 4. Baseline Assessment of High School Children’s Views on Assess to Reproductive Health Information and Services.  Approach:Quantitative; Role: Principal Investigator.  5. Understanding men’s support for Family planning and abortion in Northern Ghana.  Approach: Qualitative; Role: Co-principal investigator.  6. Accurate Gestational Dating by women presenting for pregnancy checks and abortion.  Approach: Quantitative; Role: co- principal investor.  7. Community Baseline and Endline Assessments of Peoples’ attitudes towards access to family planning and abortion services in communities in Upper East and Upper West regions of Ghana.  Approach: Quantitative and qualitative; Role: Co-Principal investor.  8. Evaluation of Ipas Peer Educators Program in promoting access and utilization of reproductive health services among the youth.  Approach: Qualitative; Role: Principal Investigator. |