

Visiting Scholar Joins DFPM for Fall 2016 Semester

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Dr. Carlos Gonclaves, a physician of Portuguese descent from Angola and trained in Cuba, is the DFPM Global Partners' upcoming DFPM visiting scholar. Dr. Carlos plans to be in Utah for the most of fall semester 2016, under the DFPM Global Partners Program that brokers resources of the University of Utah to provide education and clinical care.

One of the roles of the Global Partners program in the Department of Family and Preventive Medicine in the University of Utah School of Medicine is to arrange skill enhancement of healthcare professionals from other countries. To date more than five clinicians have received training.

Visiting Scholars attend coursework across the DFPM Divisions (Family Medicine, Physician Assistant, Public Health and Occupational Medicine) for the purpose of acquiring knowledge and skills on best practices in medicine, along with a cultural perspective. In addition, the scholars have been fortunate to observe clinical work.

One example of a successful collaboration involved Dr. Blake Waters' **"FP MD 6550 - Public Health Program Planning, Evaluation and Implementation"** class.

"This course is devoted to understanding the rapidly evolving area of planning and evaluation. The goal of the course is to give the student a working knowledge of how to apply evidence based public health in planning, implementing and evaluating health programs."

Two Indonesian General Practice Physician Visiting Scholars attended Dr. Waters' class. They combined efforts with the public health students to plan, develop execute and evaluate project proposals. The Visiting Scholars took back the final project proposals, useful to their work in Chevron Pacific Indonesia.

Indonesian public health issues studied included: smoking cessation, diabetes, hypertension, obesity, over utilization, nutrition, cardiovascular disease, dengue fever, disaster relief, mental health, and accident/injury prevention.

We look forward to welcoming Dr. Carlos and helping him meet his goals while at the University of Utah and surrounding community.



Dr. Carlos Goncalves

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Hi my name is Carl Goncalves. I am from Angola in Africa. I'm 39 year old. I'm married. My wife's name is Marcia Goncalves, and we have 3 kids: Carlos Jr. (9 year old) , Misael (4 year old) and Michael (2 year old).

I am currently in California with my family on work assignment. I hope to move to UTAH in August 2016.

I enjoy playing soccer basketball and baseball, reading and hanging out with my family and friends.

My professional background:

I completed my MD in 2003 at University the Orient in Santiago the Cuba in Cuba. In September 2003 I came back to Angola. After graduation, I made a career in the public health sector in Luanda City and Uige north of Angola. I became experienced in tropical diseases and AIDS patient management and treatment.

I have been working for Chevron for about 11 years as a clinic supervisor, managing healthcare staff, and in outpatient and occupational health services in Luanda and Malongo. In the last 3 years I worked in emergency medical services in an offshore remote area north of Angola, to provide emergency services and special medivacs from the remote area.

For the last 3 years I have been facilitating several projects for Global Health and Medical Chevron Corporation (Electronical Medical Record Deployment in Angola, Strategic Partnerships Strategy, Global Health & Medical Metrics Project, Enterprise Fitness for Duty, Computer Basic Training for Malaria, and Confidentiality Standards for Healthcare).

My next assignment is as a visiting scholar at the University of UTAH in the Physician Assistant Program, Family Medicine Program, Occupational Medicine, and Public Health Program as of August 2016, with the goal to acquire updated knowledge from a global university on most current occupational and preventive medicine best practices, and healthcare management strategy. In addition, goals are handling and engaging the patient in primary care, as well as in the occupational setting; and to learn global knowledge and skill for preventive healthcare management systems to support the Occupational & Public Health program in Chevron in Angola.