

# MABUCHI JERE

## Nursing Officer

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### 👤 PERSONAL STATEMENT

I am a dedicated and proactive healthcare professional with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Midwifery and over five years of progressive clinical experience in diverse healthcare settings. My frontline work managing infectious diseases at Salima District Hospital has ignited a strong commitment to advancing Malawi's capacity in disease surveillance, outbreak response, and pandemic preparedness. I seek to transition from clinical practice to public health leadership through specialized training in infectious disease epidemiology, with the ultimate goal of contributing to evidence-based disease control programs and strengthening health systems in resource-limited settings. I bring exceptional technical proficiency, exemplary skills, excellent interpersonal competencies, and an unwavering dedication to increasing health awareness for underserved communities in Malawi and the broader SADC region.

### 💼 PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### Salima District Hospital, Ministry of Health, Malawi, Nursing Officer

03/2024 – Present

Malawi

- Manage patients with infectious diseases: malaria, tuberculosis, HIV/AIDS, pneumonia, typhoid, cholera, and other communicable diseases.
- Conduct disease surveillance activities including case identification, reporting, and DHIS2 data entry.
- Participate in outbreak investigations and response (cholera, measles) including contact tracing and case management.
- Lead community health education programs reaching 500+ people on disease prevention and immunization.
- Supervise junior nursing staff and student nurses; contribute to quality improvement and infection prevention initiatives.
- Collaborate with multidisciplinary teams for patient care and public health interventions.

#### Chiradzulo Private Clinic, Malawi, Nurse

01/2023 – 02/2024

Malawi

- Provided primary care services, assessment, diagnosis, and treatment of acute and chronic illnesses.
- Conducted health screenings (HIV testing, blood pressure, glucose monitoring).
- Delivered family planning, antenatal, and postnatal care services.
- Maintained electronic medical records and provided patient education on treatment adherence.

#### Coastal Medical Centre, Nurse

03/2020 – 08/2020

- Delivered occupational health services during COVID-19 pandemic.
- Implemented infection prevention measures: screening, contact tracing, and data collection.
- Conducted pre-employment medical examinations and managed workplace health emergencies.
- Maintained health records and prepared management reports.



## TRAINING & CERTIFICATIONS

**COVID-19 Case Management and Vaccination**

**Basic Emergency Obstetric and Newborn Care (BEmONC)**

**Emergency Triage Assessment and Treatment (ETAT)**

**HIV Testing Services and ART Management**

**Malaria Case Management**



## TECHNICAL SKILLS

- DHIS2
- Electronic medical records
- Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
- Data collection and management
- Digital health tools.



## EDUCATION

**Mzuzu University, Faculty of Health Sciences, Malawi,**

*Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Midwifery*

2017 – 2022 | Malawi

- Graduate with comprehensive training in medical-surgical nursing, community health nursing, maternal and child health, mental health nursing, and nursing research.
- Completed clinical rotations in major, teaching, and district hospitals across Malawi.
- Developed strong foundation in anatomy, physiology, pharmacology, pathophysiology, and evidence-based nursing practice.
- Acquired skills in patient assessment, clinical decision-making, health education, and multidisciplinary collaboration.

**St. Lawrence Girls Secondary School,**

*Malawi School Certificate of Education*

2014

- Completed full secondary education curriculum
- Qualified for university admission

**McKnox Secondary School, Malawi Junior Certificate of Education**



## CLINICAL COMPETENCIES

- Infectious disease management
- Disease surveillance
- Outbreak response
- Contact tracing
- Health education
- Emergency care
- Patient assessment
- Infection prevention and control.



## KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

**COVID-19 Response** — Led screening, testing, contact tracing, and vaccination campaigns during pandemic.

**Outbreak Management** — Contributed to cholera and measles outbreak responses in Salima District.

**Community Impact** — Conducted health education programs reaching over 500 community members.

**Clinical Excellence** — Successfully managed complex infectious disease cases with positive patient outcomes.

**Leadership** — Mentored junior staff and contributed to development of nursing care protocols.

## LANGUAGES

English

Chichewa: Transliter

## MOTIVATION FOR MSPH PROGRAM

My clinical experience at Salima District Hospital has revealed critical gaps in Malawi's epidemiological security for disease surveillance, outbreak investigation, and evidence-based intervention design. The COVID-19 pandemic underscored the urgent need for professionals trained in infectious disease epidemiology capable of conducting rigorous research, analyzing disease patterns, and informing public health responses. The MSPH program offers the opportunity to develop expertise in advanced epidemiological methods: biostatistics, disease modeling, spatial epidemiology, and logistical contingencies essential for strengthening pandemic preparedness and disease control in resource-limited settings. I am particularly interested in learning to design scalable interventions, utilize GPS for disease mapping, and apply mathematical models to predict disease transmission. Upon completion, I aim to contribute to Malawi's public health system by strengthening surveillance systems at district levels, building capacity among healthcare workers, conducting applied research, and influencing evidence-based policy. I am committed to bridging the gap between clinical practice and public health leadership to create a more resilient health system for Malawi and the SADC region.

## PROFESSIONAL ATTRIBUTES

- Team leadership
- Critical thinking
- Time management
- Work under pressure.
- Team collaboration
- Communication (English/Chichewa)
- Cultural competence

## REFERENCES

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