

PROFILE OF ELDER PROFESSOR CHIGOZIE NKWOR OGBU, OFR
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PROFESSOR OF PAEDIATRICS
VICE-CHANCELLOR, EBONYI STATE UNIVERSITY, ABAKALIKI,
EBONYI STATE, NIGERIA.

1. **PLACE OF BIRTH:** Umudomi, Igboeze-Onicha, Onicha LGA, Ebonyi State
2. **EDUCATION:**
 - (a) Attended Presbyterian Primary School, Onicha and obtained First School Leaving Certificate in six years instead of the Standard eight years.
 - (b) **Secondary Education:**
 - (i) St. Patrick's College, Asaba.
Delta State, under Afikpo County Council Scholarship.
Obtained Division One in West African School Certificate in 1963.
 - (ii) Attended Federal School of Science, Lagos under Federal Government Bursary Scholarship. Obtained University of London General Certificate of Education, Advanced Level in Physics, Chemistry and Zoology.
 - (c) **Tertiary Education:**
 - (i) Attended Macalester College, St. Paul, Minnesota, U.S.A. under the sponsorship of House of Hope and Mariam Lexington Presbyterian Churches, St. Paul, Minnesota (1970 – 1973). Received the Prestigious George F. Baker of New York Scholarship Award for "**Highest Overall Promise**" at Macalester. Obtained Bachelor of Arts degree (B.A Chemistry and Psychology) in three years instead of the Standard four years.
 - (ii) Graduated from Rush Medical College, Rush University, Chicago, Illinois under the sponsorship of House of Hope Presbyterian Church, St. Paul, Minnesota, U.S.A. Obtained Doctor of Medicine (M.D.) degree in three years instead of the Standard four years (1976).
 - (iii) **Specialist Training:**
 - (a) Residency Training in General Paediatrics at Rush Presbyterian – St. Luke's Medical Center, Chicago, Illinois (1976-1978).
 - (b) Fellowship Training in Peri-natal-Neonatal Medicine (Neonatology) at Rush Presbyterian – St. Luke's Medical Center and Edward Sparrow Hospital/Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan (1978 -1980).

Certifications:

- 1 Doctor of Medicine (M.D), Rush Medical College, Rush University, Chicago, Illinois (1976).
- 2 Diplomate of American Board of Paediatrics (1984).
- 3 Fellow, American Academy of Paediatrics (F.A.A.P) (1985).
- 4 Fellow, West African College of Physicians (F.W.A.C.) (2001).
- 5 Fellow National Postgraduate Medical College (F.M.C. (Paed) (2002).
- 6 Licensed Consultant Paediatrician, Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria (1986).
- 7 Licensed Physician and Surgeon in the States of Illinois and Michigan, U.S.A. (1977 and 1979).
- 8 Bachelor of Arts degree in Chemistry and Psychology, Macalester College, St. Paul, Minnesota (1973).

3. **PROFESSIONAL AND ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS:**

- (i) Vice-Chancellor, Ebonyi State University (2018 – date),
- (ii) Chief Medical Director (CMD), Ebonyi State University Teaching Hospital, Abakaliki (1997-2003).
- (iii) Professor of Paediatrics, Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki (2002).
- (iv) Senior Lecturer and HOD, Paediatrics, Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki, 1997-2001).
- (v) Chairman, Medical Advisory Committee (C-MAC), Abia State University Teaching Hospital, Aba (1994-1997).
- (vi) Senior Lecturer and HOD, Department of Paediatrics, Abia State University, Uturu, (1994-1997).
- (vii) External Examiner, Department of Pediatrics, UNTH, Enugu (1995 – 1997)
- (viii) Consultant Paediatrician/Neonatologist and Head of Department of Paediatrics, Imo State Hospitals Management Board, Owerri, (1987-1990).
- (ix) Associate Director of Neonatology, Hurley Medical Centre, Flint, Michigan, USA (1980-1987).
- (x) Education Co-ordinator, Section of Neonatology, Hurley Med. Centre, Flint, Michigan, U. S. A. (1981 – 1987).
- (xi) Consultant Paediatrician/Neonatologist (1980 – 1987) at:
 - Hurley Medical Centre, Flint, Michigan, USA
 - McLaren General Hospital, Flint, Michigan, USA
 - Saint Joseph's Hospital, Flint, Michigan, U.S.A.
 - Osteopathic Hospital, Flint, Michigan, U.S.A.

- (xii) Chairman, Neonatal Intensive Care Quality Assurance Committee, Hurley Medical Centre, Flint, Michigan, U.S.A. (1980 – 1987)
- (xiii) Member, Department of Paediatrics Committee on Paediatric Post-Graduate Medical Education, Hurley Medical Centre, Flint, Michigan, U.S.A.
- (xiv) Assistant Clinical Professor, Department of Paediatrics and Human Development, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan (1980 – 1987).
- (xv) Medical Director, Apnea Monitoring and Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (S.I.D.S.) Regional Programme for Genesee, Lapeer and Shaiwasee Counties, Michigan State, U. S. A.
- (xvi) Clinical Instructor/Fellow, Department of Paediatrics and Human Development, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, USA (1979 – 1980),
- (xvii) Clinical Instructor/Fellow, Department of Paediatrics, Rush University Medical College, Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A.(1976 - 1979)
- (xviii) Teaching Assistant, Research Methods and Statistics, Department of Psychology, Macalester College, St. Paul Minnesota, U.S.A. (1972)
- (xix) Member, State of Michigan Department of Public Health Ad'hoc Committee on Home Apnea Monitoring and Care of "Near-Miss" SIDS, Lansing, Michigan, U.S.A. (1981-1987)

(4) **PUBLICATIONS AND PAPER PRESENTATIONS:**

1. Ogbu, C. N.: Paediatric Drug Therapy and Adverse Drug Reactions In: Azubuike, J. C., and Nkanginieme, K. E. O. (ed.). Paediatrics and Child Health in a Tropical Region 3rd Editors, Lagos, Educational Printing and Publishing: 2016: 810-812.
2. Ogbu, C. N.: Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (S.I.D.S.), Crib or Cot Death In: Azubuike, J. C. And Nkanginieme, K. E. O. (eds.). Paediatrics and Child Health in a Tropical Region, 3rd edition, Lagos Educational Printing and Publishing Co.: 2016; 371-375.
3. Ogbu, C. N.: Policy of Exclusive Breast Feeding for six months: A re-examination. Nigerian Journal Paediatrics, 2001; 28: 53-60.
4. Ogbu, C. N.: Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (S.I.D.S.) or Cot Death. A Review, West African Journal of Medicine, Vol. 22, No. 1, January – March, 2002.
5. Ogbu, C. N. And Lingel P.: Sonographic Verification of Endotracheal Tube Placement in Neonates: A Modified Technique, Orient Journal of Medicine, January – December, 2000, Vol. 12, No. 1-4; 51-54.

6. Ogbu, C. N.: Hyperbilirubinemia in the newborn – A Review, Orient Journal of Medicine, January – June 2001, Vol. 13, Nos. 1 and 2, 1-12.
 7. Ogbu, C. N.: Control of Respiration and Management of Apnea in the Neonates and Infants. Ebonyi Medical Journal, Vol. 1, No. 1, May 2002.
 8. Picardo, N. G. A., Ogbu, C. N., Ugwu, J. I. – Evaluation of Paracheck of: An Immunochromatographic Test in the Diagnosis of Faciparum Malaria; Journal College Medicine, June 2001 6(1) 3-4.
 9. Bhat, A. M., Ogbu, C. N., Arana, E.: Absorption of Orally Administered Gentamicin in Preterm Infants. (Abstract) Paediatrics Research 16, 4 part 2: 279A.
 10. Ojukwu, J. U., Ogbu, C. N., Nnebe-Agumadu, H. U. Childhood AIDS in Abakaliki and initial report. Nigerian Journal of Paediatrics 2001; 2(3): 84.
 11. Ojukwu, J. U., Ezeonu, C. J., Ogbu, C. N.: Severe Malaria in Neonates Masquerading as Septicemia. Nigerian Journal of Paediatrics 2004, 31(2), 48-55.
 12. Ojukwu, J. U., Ogbu, C. N.: Analysis and outcome of Admissions in Special Care Baby Unit of Ebonyi State University Teaching Hospital, Abakaliki. Journal of College of Medicine December 2004: 9(2): 93-96.
 13. Ojukwu, J. U., Ogbu, C. N.: Paediatric HIV/AIDS in Abakaliki. Nigerian Journal of Paediatrics 2003, 30(4) 128-134.
- (5) **PAPERS PRESENTED:**
14. Ogbu, C. N.: **Book Reviewed.** "Paediatrics and Child Health in a Tropical Region" 2nd edition, Owerri: African Educational Services; edited by Azubuike, J. C. and Nkanginieme, K. E. O. with contributions by 77 academicians/clinicians from within and outside Nigeria. The review of the 800 page Standard Paediatric textbook on General Paediatrics was presented at the 2007 Annual Scientific Conference of the National Postgraduate Medical College held in Abuja, Nigeria.
 15. Ojukwu, J. U., Ogbu, C. N.: A Review of the Morbidity Pattern of Adolescents seen in the out-patient Clinic of Ebonyi State University Teaching Hospital, Abakaliki. Presented at the 34th Meeting and Scientific Conference of the Paediatric Association of Nigeria; 21-25, January 2003.
 16. Ogbu, C. N.: Counselling of Parents of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (S.I.D.S.) Victims. Presented at the First Annual Regional Conference on Infantile Apnea and SIDS. Hyatt Regency Hotel, Flint Michigan, USA, February 20, 1982.

- 17 .Ogbu, C. N.: Apnea of Prematurity Versus Infantile Apnea-use of Theophylline, Presented at the Second Annual Regional Conference on Infantile Apnea and S.I.D.S. Hyatt Regency Hotel, Flint, Michigan, U.S.A., April 30, 1983.
18. Ogbu, C. N.: Infantile Apnea and SIDS, presented at the Ground Round, Hurley Medical Center, Flint, Michigan, USA. January 13, 1982.
19. Ogbu, C. N.: Sudden Infant Death Syndrome. Presented at the Ground Round, Bay City Medical Center, Bay City, Michigan, USA. December 1983.
20. Ogbu, C. N.: Infantile Apnea – An Update.Presented at the Ground Round, Osteopathic Hospital Flint, Michigan, USA. April 1985.
21. Ogbu, C. N.: The American Academy of Paediatrics Recommendations on Infantile Apnea. Presented at the Ground Round, St. Joseph’s Hospital, Flint, Michigan, U.S.A. August, 1983.
22. Ogbu, C.N. **Inaugural Lecture:** Sudden Infant Death Syndrome and Infantile Apnea, delivered at Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki. Meks Printing Concepts, Abakaliki, Ebonyi State (June 27, 2019).

(6) **COMMUNITY SERVICE:**

- (1) Deputy Governor, Ebonyi State (2003 – 2011)
(Represented my Governors at several meetings of the National Council of State and National Economic Council over the 8 years)
- (2) Special Adviser to the Civilian Governor of Abia State on Governmental Affairs (1991 – 1993)
- (3) Honourable Commissioner for Health, Old Imo State (1988 – 1990)
- (4) Member, State Executive Councils of:
 - Old Imo State (1988 – 1990);
 - Abia State (1991 – 1993);
 - Ebonyi State (2003 – 2011).
- (5) Member, Ebonyi State Government Delegation to 2014 National Conference.
- (6) National Vice-President General, OhanaezeNdigbo Worldwide (2017 – 2021).
- (7) Chairman, Board of Management, Federal Medical Centre, Abakaliki (2000 – 2001).

- (8) Chairman, Board of Management, Federal Medical Centre, Makurdi, Benue State (2001 – 2003).
- (9) Chairman, Ebonyi State Government Committee on Health Insurance and Comprehensive Health Insurance Programme (2016 – 2017).
- (10) Chairman, Ebonyi State Committee on Higher Education (2016).
- (11) Chairman, Ebonyi State Committee on Nigerian Centenary Celebrations, (1993 -1994)
- (12) Chairman, Nigerian Association of State Government Owned Teaching
- (13) Ruling Elder, Reformed Presbyterian Church of Nigeria (2004 – date).
- (14) Pro-Chancellor, Ebonyi State University (2016 – 2017).
- (15) Served in various positions in the Town Union of my Community and in Our Traditional Ruler’s Cabinet.

(7) **HONOURS:**

- Recipient of the National Honour in the **Order of Officer of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (OFR)**.
- Honoured as “Number One” in the NMA Roll of Honour in Ebonyi State by the Nigerian Medical Association (NMA).
- Recipient of numerous Awards of Honour from religious and circular organizations.
- Holds the Chieftaincy title of “**Odiukonamba**” from my community and 10 other Chieftaincy titles from Ebonyi, Abia, Imo and Enugu States.

(8) **MARRIAGE**

Happily married to Honourable Mrs. Catherine M. Ogbu, Pioneer Hon. Commissioner for Women Affairs and Social Development, Ebonyi State and current Chairperson, Ebonyi State Civil Service Commission. We are blessed with six sons - Arisi, Nwani, Agwu, Uzor, Ogbonna and Uchenna.

Motto: It is nice to be important but more important to be Nice.