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Charlene Awadjie-Ihedioha to Manage FSMB Foundation Programs

EULESS, TEXAS – The Federation of State Medical Boards Foundation today announced that Charlene Awadjie-Ihedioha will serve as program manager of the FSMB Foundation, beginning this month.

Awadjie-Ihedioha will be responsible for administering the Foundation’s various education and research initiatives, as well as managing its fundraising activities. The FSMB Foundation is a 501c3 charitable organization and serves as the philanthropic arm of the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB).

Awadjie-Ihedioha has diverse experience working in management positions in the not-for-profit sector, including nine years most recently working on maternal and children’s health and HIV/AIDS projects. She also has extensive experience in human resources and grants management

“Charlene’s diverse skill-sets make her an excellent choice for this role, which requires administering a wide range of projects,” said FSMB CEO Humayun Chaudhry, D.O., FACP. “She will play a key role in helping the Foundation grow its programs and increase its impact.”

FSMB Foundation President Cheryl A. Vaught, J.D., noted Awadjie-Ihedioha’s strong record of partnership-building and outreach as important factors. “In addition to being a strong manager, Charlene understands the importance of building support among stakeholders as a key component in fundraising and program implementation,” she said.

Awadjie-Ihedioha served most recently as program manager for the Catholic Charities Dioceses of Fort Worth’s Healthy Start Initiative. Previously, she held human resources positions with Lifetime Care, Inc., of Grand Prairie, Texas, and was a trainer and case manager for the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

She has also served as an adjunct instructor in the College of Business at Tarrant County College in Fort Worth.

She earned a bachelor's degree in English Language and Literature and a minor in business management from Cuttington University College in Liberia, West Africa. She earned a master's degree in marketing communications and training from Emerson College in Boston, and a master's in organizational management from Dallas Baptist University, and is a candidate for an executive master's in business administration from Texas Woman's University in Denton, Texas.

The FSMB Foundation supports state medical boards with research and education initiatives that promote effective medical licensure and regulation. For more information about the Foundation, please contact Charlene Awadjie-Ihedioha at cihedioha@fsmb.org or (817) 868-4046 or visit www.fsmbfoundation.org.

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