# **BENEQUE ELANA COUSIN**

## **OBJECTIVE**

To use my technical and social science knowledge to excel in the fields of Healthcare Policy, Business, and Operations. Healthcare Professional with several years of Pharmaceutical/Consumer Quality, Project Management, and Policy Experience.

#### **EDUCATION**

**Masters of Public Administration** 

Health Policy & Management - Specialization: International Health

New York University, New York, NY

**Bachelor of Science and Engineering** 

Major: Material Science and Engineering (Biomaterials); African-American Studies

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

## **SKILL SET & SPECIALTIES**

Six Sigma Green Belt Certified, Site Incident Commander, NYU President's Award of Service -2015, Technical writing skills for cGMP and FDA 211 CFR Compliance environments, EtQ Symphony Non-conformance tracking system, J&J Co-op Recruiter and Mentor, African-American Leadership Committee – Lead Member;

Computer Skills: Word, Power-point, Excel, Visio, Access, Informance, SAP, Minitab, SPSS

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

Clinical Quality Documentation Improvement Director, Ambulatory Care (April 2017- Present) Mount Sinai Health System, New York, NY

# State & Local Government Advisory - Consultant (August 2016- April 2017)

KPMG Management Consulting, New York, NY

- -Supported the business process evaluation and enhancement initiatives for the New York City Authorized Parking Operations (APO) DOT Parking Permit People with Disabilities (PPPD) for NYC, NYS, and Special Permits.
- -Evaluated organization design elements and processes including: organizational structure, workflows, business process flows, division of labor, manager/supervisor spans of control, and management systems
- -Conducted the data gathering, data analysis, and benchmarking to identify Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for NYC PPPD for current and future state business processes

# Graduate Management Intern for United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) (September 2015–May 2016) Quality Management Unit, United Nations, New York, NY

- Managed data and identified trends for UNFPA's Risk Based Management pilot for cash transfers (HACT) for 160+ Implementing Country Partners (IPs) that provide healthcare to women and childrenaround the globe.
- •Provided support to the HACT cost-benefit analysis to identify high risk implementing countries and identify areas of opportunity
- Collaborated in implementing the HACT training and communication plan including formatting and quality assuring HACT training documents and presentations

# State & Local Government Advisory - Summer Consultant (June 2015-August 2015) KPMG Management Consulting, New York, NY

- Supported the business process reengineering initiative for the New York City (NYC) Human Resource Administration (HRA).
- Documented the current-state business processes for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and Cash Assistance (CA) processes
- Conducted requirements gathering and policy analysis on Medicaid, SNAP, and CA to support future-state systems integration and business process improvements.

# Graduate Research Assistant to Dean Sherry Glied (October 2014 – June 2015) NYU Wagner School of Public Service, New York, NY

- Conducted health policy research on various domestic and international health policy issues
- Collected and analyzed raw data to identify trends, root causes, and gap analysis of US Drug Shortage information from the FDA, AHSP, and University of Utah Drug Information System
- Identified and presented policy solutions to Dean Glied within an academic report

## Quality Engineer III for McNeil Consumer Healthcare (August 2012-September 2014)

#### Johnson & Johnson, Fort Washington, PA

- Quality Systems Lead Investigator for Non-Conformance and CAPA Investigations. Assess APR, CAPA, and NC data and trends to identify areas of risk and improvement. Solutions implemented to mediate risk and improve compliance.
- On Quality Risk Management team to assess and determine level of compliance and quality risk for McNeil Fort Washington process improvements, NCs, and startup initiatives.
- Completed Greenbelt project focused on the Phase 1 Batch Record Implementation for Fort Washington Plant. Phase 1 includes manual and automated steps using the Wonderware and MES Systems; across the entire process starting from Raw Materials ending in Finished Good Batch Disposition. Required a review and consolidation of content from 100s of documents to establish a process flow for Finished Good DispositionQuality Representative for Credo Action Leadership Team -Work cross functionally with other Business Partners to deliver quality credo-based solutions to FW Plant.

## Plant Quality Engineer for Neutrogena Corporation (June 2010 – August 2012) Johnson & Johnson, Los Angeles, CA

- •Led Six Sigma Greenbelt Project addressing Neutrogena's #1 Non-Conformance trend for 2011 Finished Goods. The purpose of the project is to reduce the occurrence of defective tube crimp seals that result in a seal not completely closing and/or leaking product within finished goods.
- •Provided 3<sup>rd</sup> shift Plant Quality Support for Manufacturing/Compounding including: Leading investigations on the floor for production issues, Weekly audits of floor paperwork, Initiate investigations and conduct research for Non-Conforming product as a result of in process failures, consumer complaints, etc., Lead trainings to the floor personnel on updated procedures/paperwork, Qualified State/Validation Cleaning Quality Support, Construction and auditing of production batch records
- Support of implementation and functioning of In-Line Labeler Project and Vision System: Defining the control and verification requirements for labeling and packaging operations, New access issuance for the Vision System, Auditing of logbooks

### Engineering and Planning Co-Op for Neutrogena Corporation (June 2009- June 2010) Johnson & Johnson, Los Angeles, CA

- •Held weekly and monthly meetings leading Code Attainment and coordinating CAPA projects, took ownership of the Code Attainment Metric and Attainment board
- •Led research and execution of prototype equipment/process for Suncare Products' waste reduction project which resulted in Cost Avoidance Savings of \$900,000 for the process
- Supported Engineering team functions including: Job Aides, Routings, Line Layouts and Equipment Efficiency for Tubes and Bottles

# Foreign Relations Legislative Intern for Senator Barack Obama (May 2008- August 2008) United States Senate, Washington, DC

- •Facilitated correspondence with Illinois constituents to address US concerns abroad in: diplomacy, immigration, citizenship, and civil rights
- •Conducted research on specific foreign relations issues to prepare briefs for use in governmental committees and on the floor of the Senate
- •Attended meetings and congressional hearings with the Foreign Relations Committee, Secretary of State, and other congressional committees representing Senator Obama and the people of Illinois

# AIESEC Fellowship Internship (June 2007- August 2007)

# Language Education Center, Shanghai, China

- •Developed and deliver classes teaching English and Engineering for Chinese Students ages 12-20
- •Communicated the differences between American and Chinese Culture through different learning and cultural activities
- •Taught students how to research and engage in constructive dialogue on current political and social issues in China

## Intel Scientific Engineering Research Fellowship Internship (April 2006 – December 2006) Ann Arbor, MI

- •Developed a Hydrogel Interface for neural and cochlear prosthetics in the development of treatment for neurological diseases
- •Create a polymerized/conductive neural probe (PEDOT) simulating electron activity in Brain
- •Research published in <u>Indwelling Neural Implants</u>: <u>Strategies for Contending with the *In Vivo* <u>Environment</u> Reichert, William M c.2008</u>

#### **ADDITIONAL**

#### **ACTIVITIES**

- Vice Chair, NYU Wagner Black Student Association
- Member, American Society of Quality
- Member, National Society of Black Engineers (New York Alumni Chapter)
- Recitation Instructor, New York University Wagner

References available upon request