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Dr Ebere Okereke is a public health physician specialising in global health security and health system strengthening. She has won awards for her work promoting women and under-represented groups in public health leadership, recognised by the British Medical Association as a role model for women in academic medicine, and by the UK Government Science and Engineering Profession as an Inspirational leader in Science and Engineering.

Ebere co-lead the creation of the Africa CDC-led Partnerships for African Vaccine Manufacturing. She was an honorary Senior Public Health Adviser to the founding Director of Africa CDC, and a Senior Health Adviser at the Tony Blair Institute for Global Change.

Ebere led Public Heath England's (now UKHSA) aid funded IHR strengthening project; a technical assistance project aimed at sustainably strengthening public health systems to ensure compliance with the International Health Regulations. Her role engaged public health systems in Sierra Leone, Nigeria, Ethiopia, Zambia, Pakistan, and Myanmar; and with Africa CDC and WHO.

Ebere is an experienced trainer, coach, and mentor. She has been an honorary lecturer at the Leeds and Hull-York medical schools.

Ebere works with public health institutions across Africa to strengthen their systems and is passionate about developing public health leaders across the continent.

She is a founding faculty and steering committee member of the Africa CDC Kofi Annan Global Health Leadership Programme. Ebere is also an Associate Fellow of the Global Health Programme at Chatham House

Ebere is currently the CEO of the Africa Public Health Foundation, established to develop partnerships and mobilise resources in support of the Africa public health system.

Ebere has published extensively in the scientific media on subjects including tuberculosis control, global health security, health system strengthening, leadership development and gender equity. She currently acts as editor for PLOS Global Health and is on the BMJ Africa regional editorial board.

Ebere is a graduate of the University of Nigeria College of Medicine. She obtained a postgraduate diploma from the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine and a MSc in Public Health from Newcastle University UK. She is a Fellow of the UK Faculty of Public Health and of the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine Executive Leadership Programme

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