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Her professional interests include health care leadership and the science and practice of people-centered health systems. An award-winning educator, she has extensive experience in online education and competency based curricula. In addition, her professional expertise includes dietary guidance policy (domestic and international), cultural proficiency in health services delivery, and policy development and advocacy. She served for nine years on the Accreditation Council for the Council on Accreditation of Health Management Education (CAHME) and is an associate member of the Board of Accreditation, European Agency for Public Health Education Accreditation (APHEA). She spent ten years working with the Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health (ASPPH) on the development of professional doctoral program curricula and pedagogy. She has a particular interest in online and flexible learning. With colleagues in Africa and support from the Rockefeller Foundation, she is leading an effort to establish a Pan-African doctoral program in health leadership. A champion of public universities, she believes that excellence in local public health requires a global perspective.