



# **PERSONAL INFORMATION**

| Job Title                               |  | Professor                           |         |                   |          |  |
|---|--|-------------------------------------|---------|-------------------|----------|--|
| First Name                              |  | Patricia                            |         |                   |          |  |
| Middle Name (initial)                   |  | Uzoma                               |         |                   |          |  |
| Surname                                 |  | Okpala                              |         |                   |          |  |
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### WORK/OFFICE INFORMATION

| Programme  | Nursing Sciences |  |
|------------|------------------|--|
| Department | Nursing Sciences |  |
| College    | Health Sciences  |  |

## BIOGRAPHY (EDUCATION/PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE/PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS)

Patricia Uzoma Okpala, PhD is a Professor of Nursing Science at the Evangel University, Akaeze, Ebonyi State, Nigeria. Currently, she is the Head of the Department of Nursing Sciences, College of Health Sciences, Evangel University, Akaeze.

Professor Pat Okpala holds a PhD in Educational Administration & Supervision from the Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka (2004); MSc in Community Nursing from the University of Nigeria, Nsukka (2012); and M.Ed in Educational Administration & Supervision from the Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka (1998); HND in Public Health Nursing from the Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomoso (2019); and a Diploma in Education from the Institute of Management & Technology [IMT], Enugu (1992).

She is a Fellow of the West African College of Nursing [WACN], and became a registered nurse & midwife in 1977 & 1979 respectively.

As a distinguished and accomplished scholar, nurse educator, administrator, and practitioner, Pat Uzo has worked in both clinical and academic settings with a rich and remarkable career spanning over four decades. She has held positions in several

universities and schools of nursing in Nigeria; taught a wide range of undergraduate and postgraduate courses (including Community Health Nursing, Fundamentals of Nursing, Environmental and Occupational Health & Safety Nursing, and Principles & Practice of Primary Health Care); supervised over 50 postgraduate & graduate theses; served in Nursing Council professional examinations; presented research both in conferences in Nigeria & abroad; and published papers extensively in highlyranked local & international journals.

## ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

| S/N | INSTITUTIONS ATTENDED                        | DEGREE(S) AWARDED               | YEAR |
|-----|--|---------------------------------|------|
| 1   | University Of Nigeria ( UNN)                 | M.SC Nursing                    | 2012 |
|     |  | Sciences(Community Health)      |      |
| 2   | Nnamdi Azikwe University, Awka.              | Ph.D. Educational               | 2004 |
|     |  | Administration and Supervision( |      |
|     |  | Educational Foundation)         |      |
| 3   | Nnamdi Azikwe University Awka.               | M. Ed Educational Foundation    | 1998 |
| 4   | University of Nigeria, Nsukka.               | B. Sc (Hons) Nursing            | 1991 |
| 5   | School of Midwifery, lyi-Enu Hosipital Ogidi | RM                              | 1979 |
| 6   | School of Nursing, Iyi-Enu Hosipital Ogidi   | RN                              | 1977 |

#### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

| S/N | INTERESTS                 |
|-----|---------------------------|
| 1   | Community Health Nursing  |
| 2   | Reproductive Health       |
| 3   | Clinical Research Nursing |

#### **MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL BODIES**

|      | PROFESSIONAL BODY   |
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| 1    | Fellow West African College of Nursing (WACN).                          |
| 2    | National Association of Nigeria Nurses and Nurses and Midwives (NANNM). |