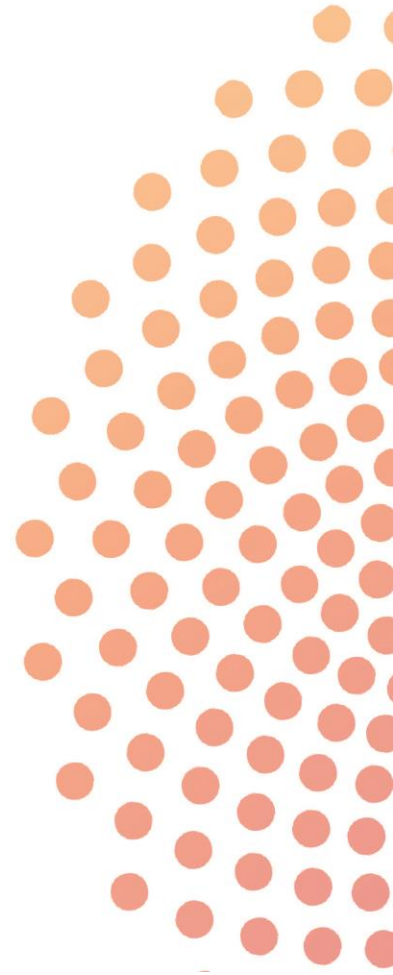


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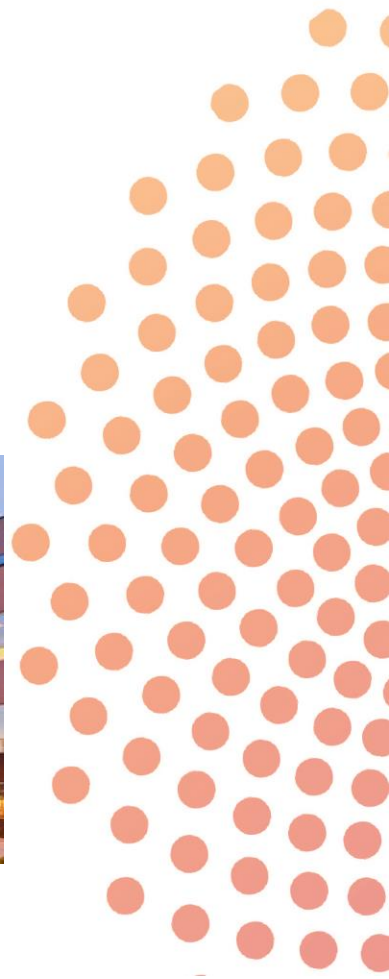
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### ABOUT ME

- Why I studied Medical Technology
- Working at Parkland Health & Hospital Systems
- Working at Texas Children's Hospital



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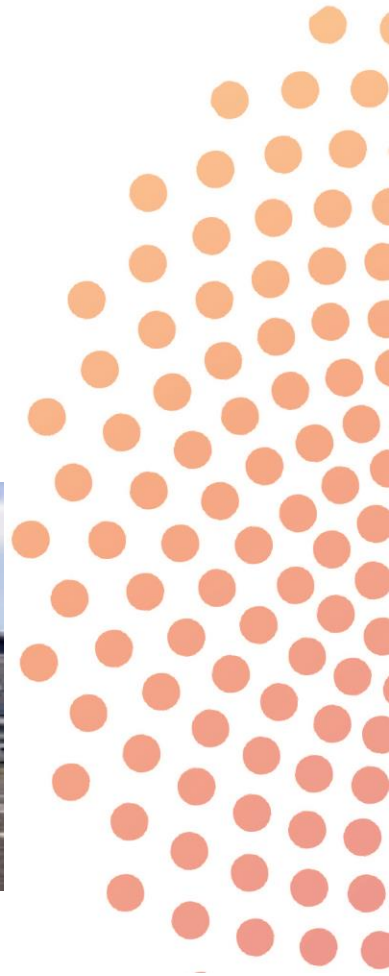
## SESSION II: VOICES FROM THE FIELD

### ABOUT ME

- Working in Uganda
- Working in the UK
- Volunteering for DelPHE

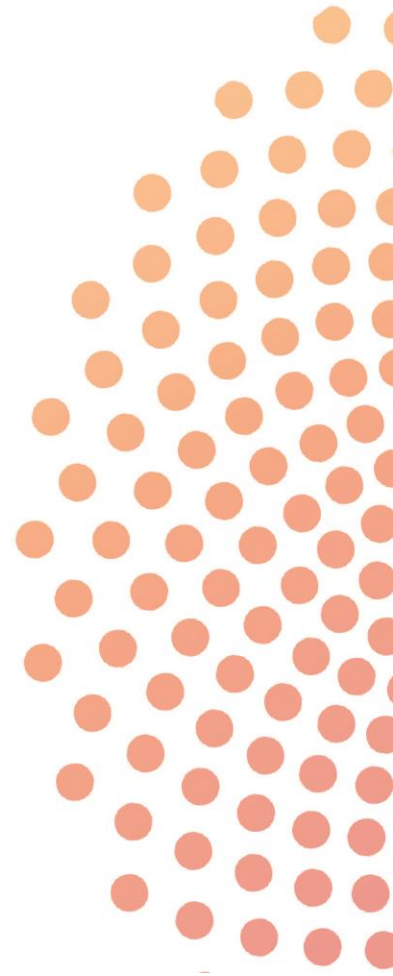


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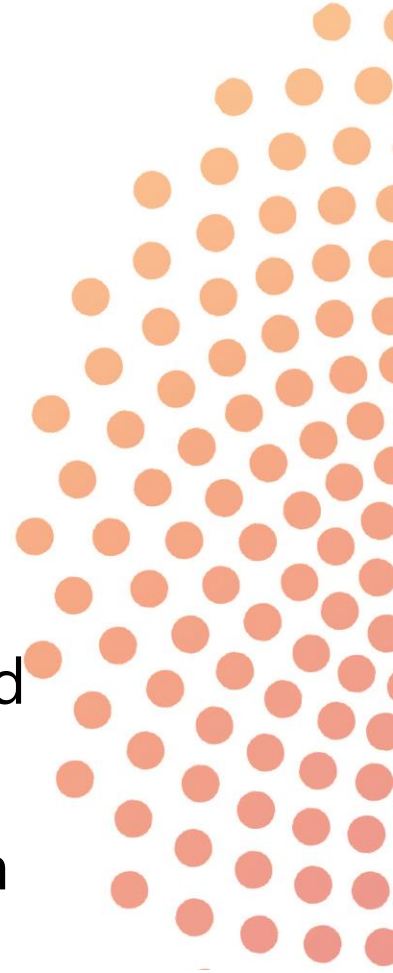
### WHY I VOLUNTEER

- Diaspora guilt
- Ugandan mother of six one suffering from renal failure
- Ghanaian 40 year-old man with a Haemoglobin of 3.2 g/dl
- LabSkills



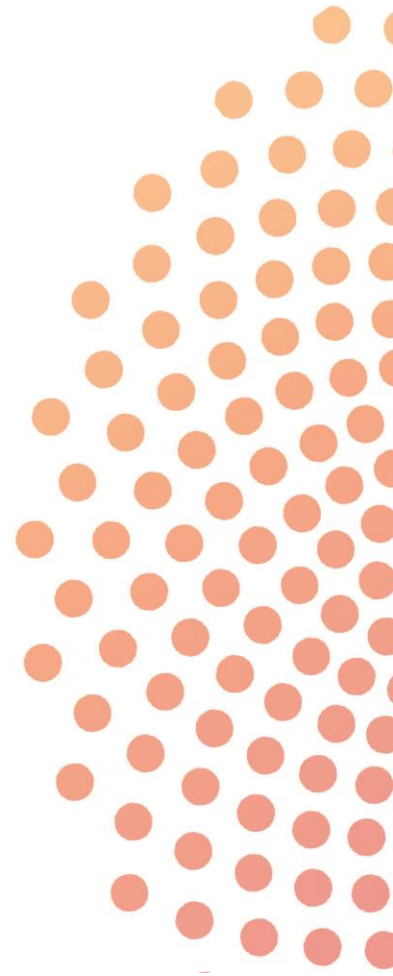
## LABSKILLS EFFECT ON ME

- Developed my communication and leadership skills
- Creative problem solving and adaptability
- Improved time management
- Working as part of team
- Appreciation of some of the challenges faced by healthcare professionals in Africa
- Making a contribution to the continent that raised me
- Making a (small) difference to healthcare in Africa



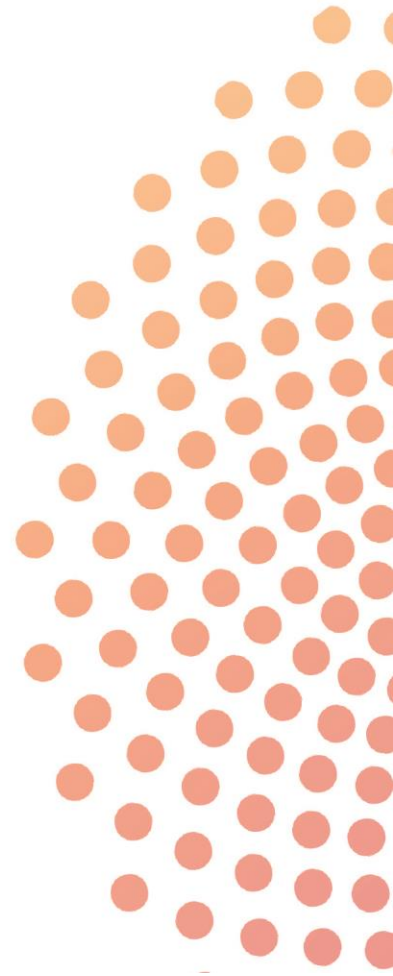
### LABSKILLS EFFECT ON PARTICIPANTS

- New possibilities
- Raised the profile of the lab within the hospital and enable participants to influence policies
- Improve writing skills
- Raised profile of quality management systems within the Lab
- Staff interest in their own professional development
- Up-skilling Lab Staff and a catalysts to simulate learning
- Increased cooperation between laboratories





Volunteering reminds me of the  
opportunities I have been granted; that I  
am not special; to constantly be grateful for  
where I am in life and keeps my whingeing  
at a minimum





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