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**THE DORIS DUKE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF LOLA ADEDOKUN TO
PROGRAM DIRECTOR FOR CHILD WELL-BEING AND DIRECTOR FOR
THE AFRICAN HEALTH INITIATIVE**

NEW YORK, NY July 28, 2014—The Doris Duke Charitable Foundation today announced the appointment of Lola Adedokun to program director for child well-being and director for the African Health Initiative. Adedokun, who has been with the foundation since 2007, was most recently the program officer for the African Health Initiative and acting program officer for child-wellbeing.

“Lola brings experience and insight to both roles,” said Ed Henry, president of the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation. “For several years, she has been immersed in the implementation of the African Health Initiative, and more recently, she has been deeply involved in creating the new vision and strategy for the Child Well-being Program. We are very pleased that she will continue to engage in this important work and to lead these two areas of focus for the foundation.”

Adedokun earned a bachelor’s degree in health policy and sociology from Dartmouth College and a master’s degree in public health from Columbia University’s Mailman School of Public Health. Prior to her work at the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation, she worked as an analyst at the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, where she was responsible for management and analysis of HIV/AIDS surveillance data. Earlier in her career, she served as an analyst at Abt Associates Inc., assisting in the implementation of several federally funded impact evaluations related to HIV/AIDS programming and research-capacity building—both domestically and internationally. She was also a co-founder and advisor for the nonprofit organization Boys Speak Out as well as an advisor for the Adaptive Education Languages Institute.

In her new roles, Adedokun will oversee completion of the implementation and evaluation phases of the African Health Initiative and will manage the grant-making activities of the Child Well-being Program, which was formerly known as the Child Abuse Prevention Program and recently saw a revision to its name, mission and strategy.

About the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation

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