

## Vincent Anohene Appiah



I am, Vincent Anohene Appiah, a graduate of the Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery (MB.CHB.) programme from the School of Medical Sciences - Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST). I was enrolled into Medical School from 2011 to 2017 (six academic years). I have been part of Educational Pathways Ghana (EPI-Ghana) from start to finish. There was a time I could only dream of how to get through Medical School due to anticipated financial constraints but through EPI-Ghana, I was blessed not only with financial support but also with academic guidance, counselling and encouragement.

Every single year in Medical School was a life-transforming and humbling experience. Academic work was always demanding and like many of us, I was almost robbed of a good social life. Nonetheless, I had the opportunity of serving as Class Senator to the Senate of the Medical Students' Association – KNUST for the first three academic years and in the third academic year I doubled as the Secretary to the Senate of the Association. I also served as the KNUST Local Officer for the Standing Committee on Reproductive Health and HIV/AIDS (SCORA) for the International Federation of Medical Students' Associations (IFMSA) in the fourth academic year. Being part of SCORA made me very passionate about public health, education on reproductive health and advocacy. I was involved in several medical talks and radio programmes for public education on health matters even beyond Reproductive Health. I have always been inspired about contributing my quota to the society because this is one of the first virtues I learnt from EPI. In October 2014, I also had the opportunity of attending a sponsored International Conference on Reproductive Health, by the IFMSA, in Tanzania. I have had a holistic educational experience through Medical School and I have learnt much during the period.

As a Medical Practitioner, I am glad to be concerned about the health of people in my society. I foresee great fulfilment from giving help to the sick as I know the essence of good health. I also look forward to educate people about effective ways of maintaining good health and wellness. In the near future, I hope to be a Specialist Practitioner in one or more of my fields of interest which are Internal Medicine, Public Health, Psychiatry and Paediatric Medicine based on the opportunities I get and the envisaged social impact, God-willing.