# **TONNY OKINYI OCHIENG**

## TRANSLATION & LOCALIZATION SPECIALIST

#### PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

I work in the language services industry as a Translation & Localization Specialist offering translation, proof-reading, linguistic validation and audio transcription solutions for Swahili, Luo, & English languages. I specialize in medical, healthcare and general content while also dabbling in other fields and I have been doing this for the past six years.

## GENERAL WORK ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Successful and timely implementation and delivery of 25 Linguistic Validation with Cognitive Debriefing assignments.
- Successfully translated, localized and/or proof-read over 300,000 words including sitefacing and patient-facing materials; publications, information sheet, questionnaire, informed consent forms, recruitment sheet, patient diary, pamphlets, FGDs and posters in Swahili, Dholuo and English languages.
- Effectively transcribed over 3000 audio minutes of English, Swahili & Luo recordings covering health talks, FGDs, news programs and interviews, debates, telephone conversations and drama in Loft, Transcriber and Word.
- Conceptualized and designed over 30 patient-care documents for routine use at newly
  established health facility, including; Patient Registration, Patient Review, Sample
  Collection, Palliative Care, Lab Request, COVID-19 Screening, Clinic Diary and Patient
  Register.
- Conceptualized and designed 5 patient management databases in Excel Spreadsheets for routine follow-up and data entry, analysis and report generation of patient level and study data.
- Consistently managed, manipulated, updated and generated patient level data on Malaria, Non-Communicable Diseases, Typhoid, HIV/AIDs, Tuberculosis, COVID-19 and Kaposi's Sarcoma in Spreadsheet, RedCAP, Fuchia and Epidata health systems.

## RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

#### Swahili Translator | Dho Luo Translator || January 2020 - present

ICON Language Services || Responsible for English to Swahili translation | Responsible for English to Luo translation | Tasked with localization, proof-reading, editing and linguistic validation with cognitive debriefing and subject recruitment.

#### Swahili Translator | Dho Luo Translator | Transcriber || 2014 to present

Medicines' Sans Frontiers' || Responsible for English to Swahili translation | Responsible for English to Luo translation | Tasked with proof-reading, review, editing as well as supervision of the translation process | Responsible for audio transcription in English, Luo and Swahili.

#### Audio Transcriber || July 2020 to present

Excellente Services Pvt. Ltd. | Responsible for audio transcription in Swahili language.

## Audio Transcriber || December 2019 to present

Green Crescent. || Responsible for audio transcription in Swahili language.

## **FULL TIME WORK ENGAGEMENT**

## Health Records and Information Officer || 2010 to present

Medicines' Sans Frontiers' / Ministry of Health || Tasked with daily and routine management, manipulation, update and generation of patient level and research data | Database management and data analysis and reporting of health-related data and information in a Level 4 health facility set-up.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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#### SKILLS AND WORK VALUES

Attention to detail | Good oral and verbal communication | Adaptability & flexibility | Time management & multitasking | Fast learner | Organizational acumen | Dependability | Strict confidentiality | Analysis & Research | Blogging & storytelling

CAT Tool: Matecat

## **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

Diploma; Mass Communication | 3 years Relevant Coursework: Translation, Kiswahili, English, Communications Research, Media Law, Creative Writing, Public Relations.

## Monitoring and Evaluation (ongoing)

Certification | Kenya Institute of Management | 2021

#### Introduction to Humanitarian Translation

| Certification | Translators Without Borders | 2020

## Kenya Certificate of Secondary

Education (KCSE) | 4 years | Grade B Relevant Coursework: Kiswahili | English

## Kenya Certificate of Primary Education

(KCSE) | 8 years | Grade B

Relevant Coursework: Kiswahili | Luo

#### **VOLUNTEER WORK**

## Translators Without Borders ||

English to Swahili translator | Editor and Proof-reader