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Professional qualifications:

- Ph.D. Public Health: epidemiology, infectious diseases. Title of dissertation: “Umbral Epidémico en Malaria” (“Epidemic Threshold in Malaria”) <http://www.tesisenxarxa.net/TDX-0327107-154736/>. UAB Barcelona, Spain. 2006.
- MA in Social Services Project Planning, University of Coruña Spain, 2004.
- MPH International Health, Emphasis: epidemiology, monitoring and evaluation. Tulane University New Orleans, USA. 1998.
MD/General Surgeon Universidad de Antioquia Colombia. 1989.

Language skills:

Language	Reading	Speaking	Writing
Spanish	Native tongue	Native tongue	Native tongue
English	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
French	Excellent	Excellent	High-Intermediate

Professional Experience

I have more than 15 years of experience working in medical humanitarian organizations in developing countries including Cambodia, Angola, Sudan, Liberia, Guatemala, Bolivia, Indonesia, and Colombia as well as short term projects in many other countries.

I worked with Doctors Without Borders (Medecins Sans Frontieres) for 12 years, initially as a field doctor and then as a medical and country coordinator. As coordinator I carried out health needs assessments, wrote proposals, follow up indicators and monitoring and evaluations of projects. I prepared reports for many international donors such as Echo, the Netherlands international Cooperation, etc. I worked for 4 years as the Infectious Diseases Adviser for MSF based in Barcelona, travelling 50% to the field, giving advice in treatment, prevention and follow up of tuberculosis, malaria, HIV/AIDS, Kala Azar and Chagas diseases in South America, Africa and India.

At present I am a coordinator of master of Public health, professor of global health, surveillance systems and health systems at the Universidad de los Andes, an internationally high-ranking private university, in Bogota, Colombia,. I am also an associate professor at Tulane University, United States.

My main research areas are health policy, health systems, health information system, and right to health.

Work History

January 2010 - to date

Professor, Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá Colombia.

Public Health Department coordinator. Teach health systems, global health, including infectious diseases. Coordinator of new Master's program in public health.

June 2008 - December 2009.

Medical Coordinator, Colombia MSF- Belgium.

Coordination of MSF team (10 foreign, 40 local staff) for the primary health program in Choco and Arauca Colombia. Support for infectious diseases and sexual reproductive health including HIV/AIDS and Prevention of mother to child HIV transmission. Responsible for project monitoring and evaluation.

February 2007 - March 2008.

Medical Coordinator, Indonesia MSF.

Coordination of MSF team (5 foreign, 60 local staff), Primary health program in Asmat, Papua, emergency intervention in epidemics and natural disasters, preparedness for Avian Flu and Dengue outbreak, TB/HIV/AIDS program in Maluku island. Project development. Preparation of proposals. Principal investigator of malaria rapid diagnostic test (RDT) study. Project monitoring and evaluation. Data analysis.

February 2002- February 2007. MSF.

Infectious diseases adviser, MSF Spain. Based in Barcelona.

Technical adviser on Tuberculosis, AIDS, Malaria, Human trypanosomiasis, Chagas and Kala Azar. 50% of the time in the field: Africa, Latin America, India. Followed up programs, monitoring and evaluation. Answered technical questions from the field (choice of treatments, side effects, drug combinations, etc.)

July 2001- January 2002. MSF

Country representative, Bolivia

Coordination of MSF team (9 foreign, 20 local staff), Maternal child care program in El Alto, Chagas project in Tarija. Negotiation with different donors. Project development. Preparation of proposals. Project monitoring and evaluation. Data analysis.

July 2000- June 2001

Professor, Department of Microbiology,

Coordinate and teach public health course, Papilloma, Malaria research.

July 1998 May 2000

Medical coordinator Guatemala.

HIV/AIDS prevention program among street children.

September 1996 – June 1997

Project coordinator. HIV/AIDS prevention program in Russia.

Peer education among IV drugs users, KAP study among teenager, mass campaign on HIV/AIDS prevention.

March 1995 – August 1996

Field Doctor Angora, Liberia, Sudan.

Doctor in the field, Malaria, TB, nutrition management. Outbreak intervention on Yellow fever, hemorrhagic fever.

January 1994 January 1995

Doctor in a clinic for street children. ONG La Bargerie.

January 1990 December 1993

Doctor in rural area in Colombia (Meta and Vichada).

Short term work experience

April 2011

Associate Professor, Tulane University USA. Collaboration from a distance, plus teaching short presentational classes in global health and health systems in New Orleans, USA.

January 2011

MDR TB project evaluator Uzbekistan

Mid-term evaluation MDR TB program in Nukus, Uzbekistan. 3 weeks.

January and December 2010

Medical coordinator Haiti, cholera outbreak emergency MSF.

Needs assessment in different rural districts, treatment of cholera patients. 4 weeks.

Publications

2012. Bernal O, FORERO JC, FORDE I, "Colombia's response to healthcare crisis" . En: Gran Bretaña Bmj: British Medical Journal ISSN: 0959-8138 ed: BMJ Publishing Group (British Medical Journal) v.344 fasc.1 p.1 - 5 ,2012

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2009. *Oscar Bernal. Umbral epidémico en Malaria.* Editorial VDM Germany 2009. http://www.amazon.com/UMBRAL-EPID%C3%89MICO-EN-MALARIA-epidemias/dp/3639187725/ref=sr_1_fkmr0_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1265036893&sr=1-1-fkmr02008.

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2007. Villa L, Morote S, Bernal O, Bulla D, Albajar P. Access to diagnosis and treatment of Chagas disease/infection in endemic and non-endemic countries in the XXI century Mem Inst Oswaldo Cruz, Rio de Janeiro, Vol. 102 (Suppl. I): 87-93, 2007

2003. Yolanda López, Oscar Bernal, Oscar Quirós. Hallazgos Clínicos y de Laboratorio en pacientes por malaria complicada en las regiones endémicas de Antioquia, 2000