



DOKITA NEWS

PROFESSOR J.A. ADELEYE NATIONAL INTER-MEDICAL SCHOOL ESSAY COMPETITION

The 9th Biennial Professor J. A. Adeleye Inter-Medical School Essay Competition was organized by the DOKITA Editorial Board from the 13th of August to the 23rd of October, 2021. The theme was "The Responsiveness of the Primary Health Sector to COVID-19 Pandemic".

A total of 74 entries from 24 different Nigerian universities were received. The top three essays were selected after thorough evaluation:

- Winner: Mr. Felix Akinlaja (University of Ibadan)
- 1st Runner-Up: Mr. Eze Samson Somtochukwu (University of Nigeria)
- 2nd Runner-Up: Mr. Nate Akpan (Benue State University)

PROFESSOR AKINKUGBE NATIONAL INTER-MEDICAL SCHOOL QUIZ COMPETITION

The DOKITA Editorial Board's 10th Biennial Professor O. O. Akinkugbe Inter-Medical School Quiz Competition saw participation from various Nigerian universities. The event started with regional preliminary quizzes, and the following universities took part:

1. University of Nigeria, Enugu
2. Nnamdi Azikiwe University
3. Ebonyi State University
4. University of Ibadan
5. Obafemi Awolowo University, Ife
6. Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago Iwoye, Ogun State
7. Afe Babalola University, Ado-Ekiti, Ekiti State
8. Bingham University
9. Benue State University
10. Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto
11. Kaduna State University, Kaduna State

Quarter-final matches were held virtually among the following schools: Obafemi Awolowo University,

University of Ilorin, Olabisi Onabanjo University, University of Nigeria, University of Ibadan, Bingham University, and Ahmadu Bello University.

Semifinals took place on the 19th of February, 2023, among University of Nigeria, University of Ibadan, Obafemi Awolowo University, and University of Ilorin.

The final match will be contested among Obafemi Awolowo University, University of Ibadan, University of Nigeria, and Ahmadu Bello University.

ADMISSIONS

The DOKITA Editorial Board congratulates the following medical students who were offered provisional admission:

2022/2023

1. Mr. Sayikanmi John
2. Ms. Kolawole Victoria
3. Ms. Josephat Ruth
4. Mr. Omosaye Francis
5. Mr. Ngwu Emmanuel
6. Mr. Mong Victor
7. Mr. Alabi Joshua



CELEBRATING 60 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE: UPDATES FROM THE DOKITA EDITORIAL BOARD.

As the DOKITA Editorial Board marks its 60th Anniversary, the organization continues to advance its mission of fostering academic excellence, professional mentorship, and innovation. This year's activities reflect

a blend of tradition and transformation, with notable milestones achieved across projects, leadership, and community engagement.

Leadership and Membership Expansion

The Board has welcomed 24 new members, bringing its active membership to 34, the largest in recent years. This boost ensures the continued execution of high-impact projects and strengthens the Board's legacy.

The newly constituted 2024/2025 Executive Council, led by Editor-in-Chief, Mr. Adejinmi John, has set ambitious goals for the Board, including journal expansion, community outreach, and collaborations. Other key members of the council include:

- Mr. Mong Victor - Board Secretary
- Miss Kolawole Victoria - Financial Controller
- Mr. Alabi Joshua - Productions Manager
- Mr. Omosaye Francis - Business Manager
- Mr. Ngwu Emmanuel - Publicity Editor
- Mr Sayikanmi John - Distribution Manager
- Miss Duru Vivian - News and Quiz Editor

This follows the successful tenure of the 2023/2024 council, under the leadership of Miss Oloko Kofoworola, which laid the groundwork for many ongoing initiatives.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS AND ONGOING PROJECTS

41st General Edition of the Journal

In honour of the 60th Anniversary, the Board is preparing the 41st General Edition of the DOKITA Journal. With 20 peer-reviewed articles currently under review, two issues are planned for release: December 2024 and early 2025.

Journal Digitization and Accessibility

The Board achieved a significant milestone by indexing the DOKITA Journal on African Journals Online (AJOL) and acquiring an E-ISSN for electronic distribution. Training on the Open Journal System (OJS) has equipped members with the skills to manage this digitization process. Efforts continue to recover missing editions, including Volumes 4, 5, 6, 7 no. 1, 13, 16, 17, and 24. To this end we plead that

anyone who happens to still be in possession of these editions should please reach out to the Board so that the editions can be digitized.

Competitions and Events

The 10th Late Emeritus Professor O.O. Akinkugbe Inter-Medical School Quiz Competition: The University of Ibadan emerged victorious in the inter-medical school quiz Competition, with Obafemi Awolowo University and the University of Nigeria as first and second runners-up, respectively.

The 10th Professor J.A. Adeleye Essay Competition: This year's topic, "**The Impact of Hyperinflation on Nigeria's Health Sector: Challenges and Opportunities,**" has drawn nationwide participation, thanks to support from the Adeleye family.

52nd Annual Symposium

Scheduled for December 2024, this year's theme is "Contemporary Threats to Nigeria's Public Health: Infectious Diseases, Flooding, and Research Funding Deficits."

Research Webinar 2.0

The Board is organizing a webinar to strengthen research capacity among medical students.

Community Engagement and Journal Distribution

In a bid to increase accessibility, journals are now distributed for free to medical students across all levels, with plans to sustain the initiative through a proposed capitation fee for dues-paying members.

Boardroom Renovations and Alumni Support

The Board room has undergone significant renovations. This initiative was sponsored by generous alumni contribution of N150,000 from Dr Oladunni Filani, a former Editor-in-Chief (2000). The Board also received a generous donation of \$1,400 from Dr. Femi Agbayewa, a former Editor-in-Chief (1974). These efforts have created a conducive environment for members to collaborate.

Virtual Alumni Hangout and Collaborations

The Board hosted a successful Virtual Alumni Hangout, themed “Yesterday’s Dreams, Today’s Realities, and Tomorrow’s Vision.” The event fostered mentorship opportunities as alumni shared insights and inspired current members.

Additionally, discussions are underway for collaborations with the Annals of Ibadan Postgraduate Medicine to further enhance the Board’s academic contributions.

GRATITUDE AND VISION

The DOKITA Editorial Board extends its heartfelt appreciation to alumni, consultants, and supporters whose mentorship, financial assistance, and guidance have been instrumental in its growth. As the Board celebrates 60 years of impact, it remains committed

to advancing academic excellence and nurturing the next generation of medical professionals.

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