

Thank you for agreeing to be profiled for the Alumni Newsletter and our website. Please complete the following questions. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Patty Kehoe at pkehoe@sarnofffoundation.org.

- 1. What impact did the Sarnoff Fellowship year have on your career?** Without a doubt, my year as a Sarnoff fellow set the stage for my career in academic medicine. Beyond invaluable basic science skills, I gleaned something I consider to be much more valuable (invaluable, even): a strong and effective thought-framework for approaching, pursuing and clearly communicating important scientific questions.
- 2. Why should medical students consider the Sarnoff Fellowship apart from other programs?** There are a number of excellent research fellowships medical students might pursue. I appreciate the sense of family, creativity and innovation the Sarnoff community nurtures.
- 3. What are your professional aspirations?** Academic Physiatry (Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation). I am currently an Interventional Spine and Sports Medicine Fellow at the Hospital for Special Surgery in New York city. My goal is to develop a center of academic excellence where athletes with and without physical and/or intellectual impairments are studied, treated and developed. I hope to develop my career between New York and my native West Africa (Ghana).
- 4. What is your greatest professional accomplishment?** Invited speaker, International Paralympic Committee Annual VISTA Conference. I presented on the opportunities for national building and social inclusion through elite parasport development, representing the Federal Republic of Ghana.
- 5. What is your most memorable Sarnoff moment?** Preparing my oral presentation for the American Heart Association with my mentor who, thankfully, was exacting. My presentation was very well received and I feel that this was because of the meticulous, careful and focused preparation.
- 6. What are your hobbies?** Track and field, dress-making using West African textiles, travel.