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Kennedy Lishimpi is the Director and National coordinator for cancer control services in Zambia. He is responsible for the overall planning and implementation of national cancer control programmes. Including community awareness mobilization, primary prevention, secondary prevention, early diagnosis, treatment, palliative care and training services including resource mobilisation. The cancer services in Zambia are provided free of cost to citizens and are part of the national health insurance scheme in order to achieve UHC in cancer service provision at all levels. He coordinates these services through

the implementation of the National Cancer Control Strategic Plan 2016 – 2021. He is a qualified Clinical Radiation Oncologist and Pediatrician. Completing his undergraduate training in 1993 and Pediatrics in 2000, he is one of the IAEA fellows trained between 2003 and 2007 in South Africa who returned home to set up and start the first radiotherapy and chemotherapy center in Zambia. He was Senior Medical Superintendent at CDH for 8 years. Today, not only radiotherapy and chemotherapy but surgical, gynecologic and pediatric oncology services are available. The nuclear medicine treatment unit is also operational.