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Dr. Lishimpi is responsible for Zambia's cancer health policy translation into a cancer control programme, including resource mobilization for the implementation of the national cancer control strategic plan. He oversees the implementation of the cancer control programme from community to tertiary hospitals in Zambia. He also serves as a link between the Ministry of Health and other partner institutions.

He was pivotal in ensuring the improvement and expansion of radiotherapy service in Zambia, working closely with the IAEA through tailored and coordinated projects. These have enabled the Cancer Diseases Hospital to go from being a recipient institution to one that provides assistance to other countries in the treatment of patients, training of human resources for radiotherapy services and technical assistance to countries starting radiotherapy. Dr. Lishimpi was also instrumental in the national roll-out of the cervical cancer screening programme, the introduction of HPV vaccination programme, HPV DNA testing and the decentralization of radiotherapy services.