



Rudy Onia

Rudy Onia is currently the Medical Director for Africa and Asia Developing Countries at GSK.

He leads a team of medical personnel and scientists focused on developing and commercialising new medicines across this region.

Rudy received his qualification in Medicine at the University of Cape Town, spent a number of years in clinical medicine and trained in clinical pharmacology before moving to industry.

For industry, he has lived and worked for various companies in multiple geographies, from Europe to the Americas to the East.

Rudy Onia: "I am driven and motivated to improve public health. There are many ways to approach the challenges we face and all are required. Government, civil society and industry are equally important. I've come to understand that for me personally, I am most effective at doing this from within industry. Creating change that impacts global health problems, while uplifting the general economy through profitable enterprise, is both sustainable and extremely powerful. The impact of general economic development on a population's health is indisputable."