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Olivia Dix has worked for the Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Fund, a UK-based private donor, for over ten years. She is Head of the Palliative Care Initiative, working in seven countries in sub-Saharan Africa. She has worked for the Fund almost since its inception in a number of roles, including Head of

Policy, in which capacity she developed its UK and international policies and programmes.

She has had a long career at senior management level in the not-for-profit sector at a local and national level. These have included: CEO of a multi-purpose inner-city community centre in the East End of London that combined traditional services for all ages with innovative approaches to social problems; CEO of Cancerbakup, a national cancer information service, and senior consultant to a European Breast Cancer coalition.

Her understanding of health issues has been expanded by fifteen years as a non-executive member of her local Health Board, where she chaired at various times the Audit Committee, the committee on Community Use of Health Sites and the Diversity committee.

On a voluntary basis she is a Director of Action on Armed Violence (formerly Landmine Action), Vice-Chair of the School Governors of a local primary school and a member of the Technical Advisory Committee of the International Palliative Care Initiative of the Open Society Institute. She has a first class Honours degree and MA in History.