




# City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

<b>Appointee Name:</b> <i>Ahoua Kone</i>		
<b>Board/Commission Name</b> Community Involvement Commission	<b>Position Title:</b> Member-at-Large (position 11)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment <i>OR</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reappointment	<b>City Council Confirmation required?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>Appointing Authority:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> City Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	<b>Term of Position: *</b> 6/1/2024 <b>to</b> 5/31/2026 <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>	
<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> <i>Ballard</i>	<b>Zip Code</b> 98107	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b>
<b>Background:</b> Ahoua Koné is a public health practitioner and a licensed attorney who is a faculty member at the University of Washington School of Public Health. She is a first-generation immigrant from the Ivory Coast and has a lived experience as a Black woman in the US for nearly 4 decades. She has led large health projects in Africa and in the Seattle area. As a mother and an activist, she has been extensively engaged with community organizations and commissions to promote equity and justice and to amplify the voices of marginalized communities.		
<b>Authorizing Signature (original signature):</b>  <b>Date Signed (appointed):</b> 3/6/2024	<b>Appointing Signatory:</b> <i>Bruce A. Harrell</i>  <i>Mayor of Seattle</i>	

\*Term begin and end date is fixed and tied to the position and not the appointment date.

## Ahoua Koné, J.D., M.P.H.

### EDUCATION

Seattle University School of Law, Seattle, WA: J.D., 2003

University of Washington School of Public Health, Seattle, WA: M.P.H., 1991

University of Washington, Seattle, WA., B.S., 1987

### WORK EXPERIENCE

- **School of Public Health, U.W.** Seattle, WA, *Co-chair EDI*

Co-chair of the school-wide Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee, July 2020 to Present.

- **Department of Global Health, U.W.** Seattle, WA, *Clinical Assistant Professor*

Co-Instructor for first year MPH Workshop, Sept 2014 to present.

Frequent guest lecturer on issues related to Maternal Health (since 2005) and Female Genital Cutting (since 1999).

Advisor and Mentor to over 20 students (MPH & PhD & undergrads) majority students of color.

- **Kaiser Permanente Washington Health Research Institute**, Seattle, WA, *Co-Investigator*

Co-Investigator of a research team awarded a PCORI grant to study the effectiveness of different forms of communication to improve the uptake of Covid-19 vaccines among workers in long term care facilities, August 2021 to Present.

- **Department of Global Health, U.W.** Seattle, WA, *Principal Investigator*

Principal Investigator of Sauti Yako, a PHI funded Covid-19 Economic Recovery Research to assess perceived health and economic risks among African immigrants in King County engaged in caregiving work, July 2020 to Present.

- **Health Alliance International**, Seattle, WA, *Principal Investigator*

Director of Côte d'Ivoire Projects, 2006 to 2020, leading a team of over 70 and managing a budget up to \$8m/year.

- **Department of Global Health, U.W.** Seattle, WA, *Clinical Assistant Professor*

Co-Instructor for first year MPH Workshop, Sept 2014 to present.

Frequent guest lecturer on issues related to Maternal Health (since 2005) and Female Genital Cutting (since 1999).

Advisor and Mentor to over 20 students (MPH & PhD & undergrads) majority students of color.

- **Koné Law Office, PS**, Seattle, WA, *Attorney at Law*

Partner & founding member with focus on immigration law, 2014 to present.

- **Seattle Immigration & Family Law Group, PS**, Seattle, WA, *Attorney at Law*

Partner & founding member, 2006 - 2014.

- **Seattle University School of Law – Access to Justice Institute**, Seattle, WA, *Staff Attorney*

Managed school sponsored community-based legal centers; provided support and mentorship for the Black Law Students Association. 2003 - 2006.

- **Northwest Justice Project**, Seattle, WA, *Clinic Assistant*

Assisted attorneys at the Cross-Cultural Family Law Clinic. 2001 – 2002

*CV - Ahoua Koné*  
*July 2021*

- **Department of Public Health, Seattle & King County, Seattle, WA, *Research Analyst***  
Designed and conducted community surveys; Implemented findings by developing programs to improve relationships between community members, health care providers, and researchers in King County; Implemented an evaluation of the Healthy Homes Child Asthma project. 1996 – 2000.
- **Ministry of Health, Côte d'Ivoire, *Research Investigator***  
Designed and implemented a study on attitudes and practices regarding female genital cutting. March - June 1997
- **Pacific Medical Center-Cross Cultural Health Care Program, Seattle, *Research Associate***  
Conducted an assessment of cultural competency of Medicaid managed care organizations in King, Snohomish and Pierce County for standards of best practices. 1998 - 1999.
- **Yesler Terrace Health Clinic, Seattle, WA., *Project Coordinator***  
Directed the clinic's infant mortality project; conducted public presentations at various agencies and institutions; and trained volunteer speakers. August - December 1994.
- **Snohomish Health District, Everett, WA, *Epidemiologist***  
Conducted needs assessments of different subpopulation in the county. 1993 to 1994.
- **University of Washington, Department of Pathology, Seattle, WA., *Technologist***  
Performed laboratory experiments including isolating stem cells for transplant into irradiated animals to test long term bone marrow survival. 1987 - 1991

#### **COMMUNITY NON-PROFIT LEADERSHIP ROLES**

- African Leaders Health Board, Coordinator, 2020 present.
- Women in Global Health- Seattle Chapter, Co-Chair, 2018-present.
- Somali Family Safety Task Force: Board Treasurer, 2012 - Present.
- African Communities Network: Founder and President, Board of Directors, 1999 - 2019.
- Seattle Public Schools - Planning & Oversight Committee: Board of Directors, 2000 - 2003
- Dept of Public Health–Seattle Partners for Healthy Communities: Board member 1997 - 2005
- Yesler Terrace Health Clinic: Board of Directors, 1997-1999, President 1999 - 2000.
- Women In Common: Founder and committee member, 1995 - 1997.

#### **REGIONAL COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES**

- Co-chair of Women in Global Health Seattle Advisory Panel, July 2019 to present.
- City of Seattle Police Chief Search Committee, September 2009
- Washington State Commission on African American Affairs, January 2006 – March 2007
- Seattle Human Rights Commission, Seattle, WA, Chair of Appeals Panel, April 2004 – July 2007

#### **HONORS**

- Vanguard Leader of the Year Award, Seattle University School of Law, 2013.
- Paul Harris Fellow, Rotary International, Evanston, III, 2000.
- Côte d'Ivoire Presidential Scholarship, University of Washington, 1987 & 89.

**PUBLICATIONS IN PEER REVIEWED JOURNALS**

1. Maimaitijiang R, He Q, Wu Y, Bouey JZ, **Koné A**, Liang Y, Hao C, Tu J, Gu J, Hao Y. Assessment of the health status and health service perceptions of international migrants coming to Guangzhou, China, from high-, middle-and low-income countries. *Globalization and health*. 2019 Dec;15(1):9.
2. Donahue C, Robinson J, Granato SA, Tirera F, Billy DA, **Koné A**, Pfeiffer J. Adolescent access to and utilisation of health services in two regions of Côte d'Ivoire: A qualitative study. *Global public health*. 2019 Sep 2;14(9):1302-15.
3. Gimbel S, Rustagi AS, Robinson J, Kouyate S, Coutinho J, Nduati R, Pfeiffer J, Gloyd S, Sherr K, Granato SA, **Koné A**. Evaluation of a systems analysis and improvement approach to optimize prevention of mother-to-child transmission of HIV using the consolidated framework for implementation research. *Journal of acquired immune deficiency syndromes (1999)*. 2016 Aug 1;72(Suppl 2):S108.
4. Granato SA, Gloyd S, Robinson J, Dali SA, Ahoba I, Aka D, Kouyaté S, Billy DA, Kalibala S, **Koné A**. Results from a rapid national assessment of services for the prevention of mother-to-child transmission of HIV in Côte d'Ivoire. *Journal of the International AIDS Society*. 2016 Jul;19:20838.
5. Schechter J, Bakor AB, **Koné A**, Robinson J, Lue K, Senturia K. Exploring loss to follow-up among women living with HIV in Prevention of Mother to Child Transmission programs in Cote d'Ivoire. *Global public health*. 2014 Nov 26;9(10):1139-51.
6. Buesseler HM, **Koné A**, Robinson J, Bakor A, Senturia K. Breastfeeding: the hidden barrier in Côte d'Ivoire's quest to eliminate mother-to-child transmission of HIV. *Journal of the International AIDS Society*. 2014 Jan;17(1):18853.
7. Sullivan M, Chao SS, Allen CA, **Koné A**, Pierre-Louis M, Krieger J. Community-researcher partnerships: Perspectives from the field. *Community-based participatory research for health*. 2003:113-30.
8. Sullivan M, **Koné A**, Senturia KD, Chrisman NJ, Ciske SJ, Krieger JW. Researcher and researched-community perspectives: Toward bridging the gap. *Health Education & Behavior*. 2001 Apr;28(2):130-49.
9. **Koné A**, Sullivan M, Senturia KD, Chrisman NJ, Ciske SJ, Krieger JW. Improving collaboration between researchers and communities. *Public Health Reports*. 2000 Mar;115(2-3):243.
10. Gloyd S, **Koné A**, Victor AE. Pediatric discharge against medical advice in Bouake, Cote d'Ivoire, 1980–1992. *Health policy and planning*. 1995 Mar 1;10(1):89-93.
11. Wolf NS, **Koné A**, Priestley GV, Bartelmez SH. In vivo and in vitro characterization of long-term repopulating primitive hematopoietic cells isolated by sequential Hoechst 33342-rhodamine 123 FACS selection. *Experimental hematology*. 1993 May;21(5):614-22.

**OTHER PUBLICATIONS & REPORTS (NOT PEER REVIEWED)**

1. Zubiaga MF, **Koné A**, Mohamed F, Martin SL. Intergenerational Conflict between Mothers and Daughters in the Somali Community in Seattle, Washington: A Qualitative Study to Explore Root Causes. In APHA's 2019 Annual Meeting and Expo (Nov. 2-Nov. 6) 2019 Nov 4. American Public Health Association.
2. Pan K. System-level factors associated with performance of prevention of mother-to-child transmission (PMTCT) services in Côte d'Ivoire (MPH Thesis). 2017
3. Rowan BH. Workforce Patterns and the Prevention of Mother-to-Child Transmission of HIV Option B Cascade in Côte d'Ivoire (MPH Thesis). 2016
4. Mohamed FB. Assessing the Knowledge and Attitude Among Somali Men In King County Towards Female Genital Mutilation (MPH Thesis). 2016
5. Clifford M. Challenges for Early Infant Diagnosis of HIV in the Gbeke Health Region, in Central Cote D'Ivoire (MPH Thesis). 2014
6. Gloyd SS, Robinson J, Dali SA, Granato SA, Bartlein R, Kouyate S, Aka D, Billy DA, Ahoba I, **Koné A**. PMTCT cascade analysis in Côte d'Ivoire: results from a national representative sample. HIVCore Final Report. Washington, DC, USAID | Project Search: HIVECore.
7. **Koné A**, Spigner C, Chao S, Senturia K, Krieger J. Wednesday, November 15, 2000, Abstract# 12051 Preventing inter-ethnic conflicts in three public housing sites in Seattle: Understanding the issues from residents' perspective. 128th Annual Meeting of APHA 2000 Nov 15.
8. **Koné A**, Constructing the middle ground: cultural competence in Medicaid Managed Care. Cross Cultural Health Care Program, Seattle, Washington (1999).
9. **Koné A**, Cost effectiveness study of maternal child health services. Technical Report, Ministry of Health, Mozambique (presented 1995).
10. **Koné A**, Gender-specific mortality assessment in Manica Province. Technical Report, Ministry of Health, Mozambique (presented 1993).
11. **Koné A**, Evaluation of immunization and traditional birth attendant programs. Technical Report, Ministry of Health, Mozambique (presented 1993).
12. **Koné A**, Baseline knowledge, attitude, and practice study for health education planning. Technical Report, Ministry of Health, Mozambique (1992).
13. **Koné A**. Migration and regional distribution of childhood malnutrition in Cote d'Ivoire (MPH Thesis, University of Washington). 1991.

**SPECIAL SKILLS AND INTERESTS**

- Fluent in French, Portuguese, and three West African languages
- Enjoy reading, hiking, basketball, yoga, music, sewing, and travel.

# Community Involvement Commission

Sixteen Members: Pursuant to Ordinance 125192, all members subject to City Council confirmation, one – and two-year terms for the initial round of appointments, two-year terms thereafter:

- 7 City Council-appointed
- 7 Mayor-appointed
- 2 Other Appointing Authority-appointed (specify): Commission-selected

## Roster:\*Updated 2/26/24

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
		1	1.	City Council District 1 Member	VACANT	6/1/22	5/31/24	1	City Council
		2	2.	City Council District 2 Member	VACANT	6/1/23	5/31/25	1	City Council
		3	3.	City Council District 3 Member	VACANT	6/1/22	5/31/24	1	City Council
		4	4.	City Council District 4 Member	VACANT	6/1/23	5/31/25	1	City Council
2	M	5	5.	City Council District 5 Member	William (Bill) Southern	6/1/22	5/31/24	2	City Council
1	M	6	6.	City Council District 6 Member	Dong Soo Michael Seo	6/1/23	5/31/25	1	City Council
3	M	7	7.	City Council District 7 Member	Julio Perez	6/1/22	5/31/24	1	City Council
2	F	3	8.	At-Large Member	Martha Lucas	6/1/23	5/31/25	1	Mayor
			9.	At-Large Member	VACANT	6/1/22	5/31/24	1	Mayor
1	F	7	10.	At-Large Member	Nausheen Rajan	6/1/23	5/31/25	1	Mayor
2	F	6	11.	At-Large Member	Ahoua Koné	6/1/24	5/31/26	2	Mayor
9	F	3	12.	At-Large Member	Jessica Reeves	6/1/23	5/31/25	1	Mayor
4	F	5	13.	At-Large Member	Heidi Morisset	6/1/24	5/31/26	1	Mayor
6	M	5	14.	Get Engaged Member	Cade Wiger	9/1/23	8/31/24	1	Mayor
2	M	7	15.	Commission-Selected Member	Marcus White	6/1/23	5/31/25	1	Commission
6	F	4	16.	Commission-Selected Member	Fiona Murray	6/1/22	5/31/24	1	Commission

### SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

	(1)		(2)		(3)		(4)		(5)		(6)		(7)		(8)		(9)	
	Male	Female	Transgender	NB/ O/ U	Asian	Black/ African American	Hispanic/ Latino	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Other	Caucasian/ Non-Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial					
Mayor	1	5			1	2		1		1			1					
Council	3				1	1	1											
Other	1	1				1				1								
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>			<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>2</b>			<b>1</b>					

#### Key:

\*D List the corresponding *Diversity Chart* number (1 through 9)

\*\*G List *gender*, M= Male, F= Female, T= Transgender, NB= Non-Binary O= Other U= Unknown

RD Residential Council District number 1 through 7 or N/A

*Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.*