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Dr. Theresa Adderley-Smith, is a distinguished academic and leader, serves as the President of Bahamas Baptist University College and a Professor in the School of Nursing and Allied Health Professions at the University of The Bahamas. With extensive experience as a Nurse Educator, Dr. Adderley-Smith excels in nursing administration, education, research, and leadership. Her clinical expertise spans diverse settings, including organ transplant, intensive care, and emergency care in large international trauma centers.

Dr. Theresa Adderley-Smith's research interests encompass domestic violence, nursing documentation, sexual behavior, masculinity, and HIV/AIDS. She is committed to evidence-based care and has a proven ability to build trust and rapport among colleagues. Her dedication to advancing nursing education is reflected in her robust academic and professional background.

A recent receipt of the Order of Merit, from The Bahamas Government, educationally, Dr. Adderley-Smith holds an A.S. in Nursing from Miami Dade Community College, a B.S. in Nursing from Barry University, an M.S. in Health Administration from St. Thomas University, an M.S. in Nursing Education from Barry University, and a Ph.D. in Nursing from Florida International University. She is certified in Basic Life Support (BLS), Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS), and Critical Care Nursing, among other credentials.

Throughout her career, Dr. Adderley-Smith has held numerous pivotal roles, including Accreditation Consultant, Visiting Professor, and Chair of the School of Nursing and Allied Health Professions. She has been instrumental in program development and revision, securing professional contacts, and serving as a visiting professor globally. Her contributions to the national Health Section of the National Development Plan (2015) highlight her influence on public health policy.

Dr. Theresa Adderley-Smith's core competencies include excellence in academic administration, education, and research, interdisciplinary collaboration, skilled research supervision, curriculum development, creativity, innovation, and quality assurance. Her dedication to academia and leadership is evident in her continuous engagement with program development, upper-level teaching, and student supervision.



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Dr. Theresa Adderley-Smith's numerous publications and presentations demonstrate her commitment to advancing knowledge in healthcare and public health. Her work has significantly impacted the nursing profession in The Bahamas and beyond, making her a highly respected leader and educator. In her most recent role as President, of Bahamas Baptist University College, Dr. Theresa Adderley-Smith has spearheaded transformative initiatives aimed at increasing enrollment, enhancing the institution's academic excellence and operational efficiency. Under her leadership, significant accomplishments, in the first 90 days, include the successful implementation of a comprehensive rebranding strategy, the establishment of strategic partnerships with international universities, and the expansion of education programs to address emerging industry demands, including nursing, pharmacy, and technology. Her commitment to fostering innovation, collaboration, and student success continues to elevate the stature of Bahamas Baptist University College, solidifying her reputation as a visionary leader in higher education.