



Dr. Dvora Joseph Davey

Dr. Dvora Joseph Davey, Jim Joseph's eldest child, has served on the Jim Joseph Foundation Board of Directors since 2006. Dvora is passionate about engaging young Jews in service learning and giving back to their communities and to the world.

Dvora is an Infectious Disease Epidemiologist and she is currently Associate Professor of Infectious Disease Medicine at the University of California Los Angeles (UCLA). She has an Honorary Associate Professorship in Epidemiology with the University of Cape Town, South Africa where she conducts research on how best to prevent and treat HIV in pregnant women and families. As a research and evaluation expert, she sits on the Foundation's [Research and Learning Committee](#) and advises on how best to inform decisions using research and programmatic evaluation.

She became passionate about the health of African women and children while serving in the Peace Corps in Gabon, Africa. Since her time in Gabon, she has worked for over fifteen years developing and evaluating public health programs in Africa (Rwanda, Mozambique and now South Africa). Before joining academia, she managed complex donor-funded programs for NGOs implementing reproductive health and HIV care in Africa. Most recently she was the Country Director for Absolute Return for Kids (ARK) and the HIV Director for Population Services International (PSI) in Mozambique.

Raised in California, Dvora studied International Affairs at the University of Colorado, Boulder and French in the Université de Grenoble, France. After her time in Gabon she earned her master's degree in International Public Health from Columbia University, and then her Ph.D in Epidemiology from the Fielding School of Public Health at UCLA.

Dvora currently resides in Cape Town, South Africa with her husband, Andrew, and their two children, Ayden and Sophia.