

## A PROMISing addition to the BC Renal Agency



After less than a week in his new job with the BC Renal Agency, Dele Omueti already feels at home and is impressed with the welcome he has received.

“Every single person I’ve met so far has offered to help me fit in and feel comfortable here,” says Dele. “It’s been amazing.”

In the newly-created position of executive lead for strategy, business development and client solutions for PROMIS, Dele is responsible for making sure that PROMIS stays aligned with the changing needs of its users and for ensuring seamless transitions for users as the system is expanded and functionality is added. In

this role he reports to Mirek Piaseczny, the BC Renal Agency’s director of health informatics and to the agency’s executive director, Dr. Adeera Levin.

Dele is well equipped for dealing with the challenges of his new role. Translating “tech-speak” into everyday language for non-technical people, and converting end-user requirements into the specs understood by system technicians requires the kind of skills he has developed from years of working with information technology in a wide variety of settings.

Dele was born in Ibadan, Nigeria’s largest city, where he started his working life as an electrical engineer. However, after nine months working with the high voltage systems of a power station he realized he didn’t like the dangers involved and moved into data networking in the airline industry. He also worked as a technical analyst in Nigeria’s oil industry, before immigrating in 2002 to Canada with his wife Catherine, a recruitment associate with HealthMatch BC.

Dele’s interests include travel, hiking, reading and soccer. He also admits to a passion for tea and eating spicy foods.

Prior to joining the Renal Agency, Dele worked at PHSA where he became familiar with PROMIS and the efforts to integrate it with BC Transplant’s TADIS database. He says he looks forward to helping with the ongoing expansion of PROMIS which he considers fundamental for the delivery of improved care for renal patients, and an essential tool for effective chronic disease management.

“Ultimately, my vision for PROMIS is to have it recognized worldwide as the model for how a chronic disease management information system should work,” says Dele.