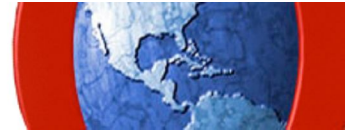




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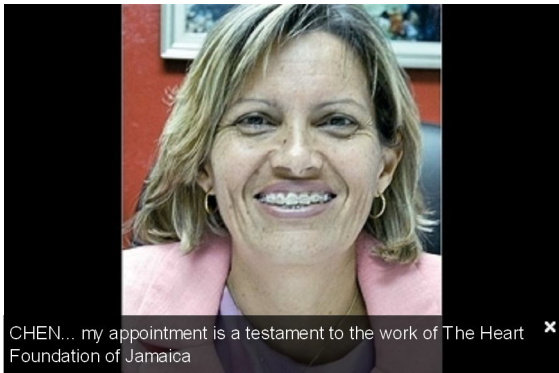
# Jamaican appointed to World Heart Federation board

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JAMAICA is, for the first time, being represented on the board of the World Heart Federation (WHF) with the recent appointment of Deborah Chen as vice-president elect.

Chen, who is executive director of the Heart Foundation of Jamaica (HFJ), was appointed to the federation's 20-member board at the World Congress of Cardiology Scientific Session in Beijing, China on June 16.



CHEN... my appointment is a testament to the work of The Heart Foundation of Jamaica



Based in Geneva, Switzerland, the WHF is a non-governmental organisation that is committed to helping people achieve a longer and better life through prevention and control of heart disease and stroke, with a focus on low and middle-income countries.

"I am honoured to be elected as vice-president of the World Heart Federation because it is a testament to the work of the Heart Foundation of Jamaica. I look forward to the foundation's continued growth and contribution to addressing cardiovascular disease in Jamaica, and the influence we have made globally," she said of her new appointment.

Chen has worked extensively in the field of cardiovascular disease throughout her years at the HFJ and has sat on several international committees. Affiliations with international bodies include her positions as secretary to the board of the Inter-American Heart Foundation (IAHF), chair of the IAHF Emergency Cardiac Care Committee, board member on the National Resuscitation Council of Jamaica, and project director for the Caribbean Tobacco Control Project. She also served as member of the National Tobacco Control Committee, and the Lions Club of Kingston, which founded the HFJ in ...

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