

DAWNITA J. WILSON M.S. '03

Director, Global Diversity and Inclusion | Sodexo

Dawnita Wilson has more than 15 years of professional experience in the areas of diversity and inclusion, human resources, talent acquisition, and management, having worked for companies such as Highmark, UPMC, KMART Corporation, IKON Office Solutions and MARC USA.

Currently she is the Director of Global Diversity and Inclusion at Sodexo, an \$8.9 billion organization serving 15 million consumers at 8,000 client sites in North America. The company provides food service and facilities management for educational, health care, government and corporate entities, plus in-home care, corporate concierge services and more.

Ms. Wilson is responsible for leading and developing diversity and inclusion strategies focused on competency and awareness, employee engagement, marketing and communications, community involvement and global initiatives. She also has oversight of nine Employee Business Resource Groups, which continue to play a significant role in ensuring that diversity and inclusion remains a top priority at Sodexo. Under Ms. Wilson's leadership, Sodexo was named to Diversity Inc.'s Top 50 Companies for Diversity list for the sixth consecutive year in 2015.

A graduate of La Roche College's Master of Science in Human Resources Management program, Ms. Wilson said, "La Roche was instrumental in helping me to build relationships and understand the importance of team work."

Ms. Wilson's community involvement and board affiliations in the Pittsburgh area have included: YWCA of Greater Pittsburgh; the Workforce Development Global Alliance; the Pittsburgh Association of Human Resources Professional; the Pittsburgh National Black MBA Association; the Pennsylvania Diversity Council; the Josh Gibson Foundation; the Allegheny County Juvenile Justice Board of Directors; the Adonai Center Board of Directors; and the Presby SeniorCare Network Board of Directors.