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Linda Alexander, PhD, is Vice-President, Women's Health, Digene Corporation. In this capacity she has oversight of Digene Women's Health initiatives, health education efforts, provider training and reimbursement and public advocacy programs.

Dr. Alexander has an extensive career in public health and women's health. Prior to joining Digene, she served for five years as President and CEO of ASHA, the American Social Health Association. As ASHA President/CEO, she provided national leadership and worked in close partnership with industry, federal leaders and health advocates to promote national awareness and resources for all sexually transmitted diseases.

Dr. Alexander is a retired Lt. Colonel with the US Army Nurse Corps. Her military career included assignments in community health nursing in the U.S. and Europe, and she was a Nurse Epidemiologist at the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research. As a health educator, she held academic positions at the University of Maryland College Park and at the Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences. In her position as Vice-President for Women's Health and Science with United Information Systems, she provided leadership with the Department of Defense Congressionally appropriated research programs in Breast Cancer, Osteoporosis and Ovarian Cancer.

Dr. Alexander is nationally known for her leadership in public health, women's health and women's health advocacy. She has published extensively on women's health issues. Her many honors include appointments to national advisory panels on infectious diseases and women's health. She is a Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing and she is the first author of a lead women's health textbook, *New Dimensions in Women's Health*. Dr. Alexander holds a Baccalaureate Degree in nursing (BSN - University of Maryland 1972), a Master's Degrees in Education/Counseling (MSEd - University of Southern California 1977), a Master's Degree in Community Health Nursing and a Doctoral Degree in Health Education (PhD – University of Maryland).

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