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ABOUT Dr. DaNa Carlis

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After leaving Hawaii in 2007, DaNa worked at the NWS Environmental Modeling Center where he developed and managed research to operations for the Global Forecast System (GFS) model. In 2016, DaNa found his way to Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR) as the Weather Portfolio Advisor after assignments as a policy advisor for the NOAA Chief Scientist and NOAA Deputy Assistant Administrator

DaNa is a graduate of "The Mecca" Howard University in Washington, DC where he obtained a BS degree in Chemistry (2000), and a MS (2002) and PhD (2007) in Atmospheric Sciences. Also, DaNa is the President of the Seed of a Nation Ministry and mentors boys that come from single parent households. DaNa is married to Dr. Lydia Carlis and father of Dia Carlis, who attends Georgia State University.