



15th South African Child Health Priorities Association Conference

Virtual Conference

28- 29 November 2024

Theme: Theme: Effective Paediatric Care: Striving for Excellence

Day 1: Thursday, 28 November 2024	
10h00 – 11h00	<p>Session 1: Effective paediatric care: striving for excellence Chair Ute Feucht</p> <p>Conference opening: Ute Feucht (5 min)</p> <p>UNICEF’s perspective: Excellence in paediatric care (Sufang Guo, UNICEF) (15 min)</p> <p>Keynote address: “Child survive, thrive and transform - meeting the needs of sick and well children through quality paediatric care” Ameena Goga (WHO Geneva) (30 min)</p> <p>Questions</p>
11h00 – 12h00	<p>Risk stratification in routine child healthcare in South Africa – is this practical? Is it feasible? What should we be doing? Ute Feucht</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Introduction: While building a foundation for high-quality routine child healthcare for all – who are the at-risk children in need of additional care? (Ute Feucht) (5 minutes) 2) RTHB/ Side-by-Side: Extra care (pillar 5): What does this mean? And how do we operationalize RTHB risk factors for antenatal, birth and newborn history? (Lesley Bamford (TBC)) (10 minutes) 3) Premature/LBW infants: What extra care should we provide? Where? For how long? (Neonatologist TBC) (10 minutes) 4) Children at risk of malnutrition/stunting/SAM – how do we avoid disaster from striking? (Dietician TBC) (10 minutes) 5) Special needs children: How do we identify them? And how do we unlock care pathways? (Tshifhiwa Mukheli (Gauteng Children with Special needs project) (10 minutes) 6) Questions/Discussion (15 minutes)
14h00 – 16h00	<p>Session 2: Balancing costs and quality in pediatric care: challenges and opportunities Chair Haroon Saloojee</p> <p><i>High-Quality Care Without the High Price: Strategies for cost-effectiveness, reducing inefficiencies and managing limited resources</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) <i>“Best buy” interventions to improve child health outcomes in South Africa.</i> 2) <i>Innovative approaches to cost effective paediatric care.</i> 3) <i>Managing limited resources without compromising quality.</i> 4) <i>Leveraging technology for cost effective paediatric care</i> <p>Moderated panel discussion</p>

Day 2: Friday 29 November 2024	
10h00 – 12h00	<p>Session 3: Data for Change: using what we already collect to drive Quality Improvement Chairs Mandy Wessels, Ntodeneni Ravuluvulu</p> <p>Background: The need for quality improvement (Mandy Wessels) (10 min) 3 Quality improvement projects that have made a difference (3 x 15 min)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Linking data to avoid duplication (Jeroen von Lobenstein) 2) Geographical SAM data to provide a targeted intervention (Nontu Myeza) 3) CP care at community level – the medical gap (Maryke Bezuidenhout) <p>Quality improvement in action: QI snapshots from CHPA membership (5 x 10 min)</p>
13h00-14h00	<p>Annual General Meeting of SA Child Health Priorities Association Please attend</p>
14h00 - 14h45	<p>Session 4: The Future of Effective Paediatric Care Chairs: Nozipho Musakwa, Dave le Roux</p> <p>What does excellent paediatric care look like in 10, 20, 30 years time?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Neonatal care: Natasha Rhoda 2) Rural health care: Chris Sutton 3) Early child development: Mark Tomlinson <p>Discussion: (20 min)</p>
14h50 – 16h00	<p>Session 4: Research Abstracts (2-4 tracks) Facilitators: Nozipho Musakwa, Dave le Roux</p> <p>Track 1: Child morbidity and mortality (8min + 2 min)? x 6</p> <p>Track 2: Service innovations and quality improvement projects in child health</p> <p>Track 3: Child in context: improving child health through routine data collection</p>
16h00	Conference closure