

New Edition of the Primary Healthcare and Adult Hospital Level Standard Treatment Guidelines (STGs) and Essential Medicines List (EML)

Webinar Series

Session 7:

HIV and AIDS– Updates to the National Department of Health STGs & EML

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Time: 13h00 – 14h30



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Professor Karen Cohen is an associate professor in the Division of Clinical Pharmacology, Department of Medicine, at the University of Cape Town. Professor Cohen is a member of South Africa's National Essential Medicines List Committee (NEMLC), a structure mandated by the Minister of Health to select essential medicines for use in South Africa at primary, secondary and tertiary levels of care. She chairs the Primary Healthcare and Adult Hospital Level Expert Review Committee of the NEMLC.



Qualifications

MBChB, MMed (Clin Pharm) MSc(Epidemiology)



Time	Topic	Presenter
Session Chair: Prof Karen Cohen <i>Associate Professor: Division of Clinical Pharmacology, Groote Schuur Hospital, University of Cape Town PHC and AHL Expert Review Committee (ERC) Chairperson and National Essential Medicines List Committee Member</i>		
13:00 - 13:05	Welcome and Opening Remarks	Prof Karen Cohen
13:05 – 13:15	Overview of updated PHC and AHL STGs	Ms Maropeng Rapetsoa <i>Pharmaceutical Policy Specialist – Selection National Department of Health</i>
13:15 – 14:00	HIV and AIDS – Update to the NDoH STGs and EML	Dr Jeremy Nel <i>Head of Infectious Diseases, Helen Joseph Hospital PHC/ AHL ERC Committee member</i>
14:00 – 14:05	Remarks from the NDoH HIV/ AIDS and STIs Cluster	Ms Lufuno Malala <i>Programme Manager, HIV/ AIDS and STIs Cluster National Department of Health</i>
14:05 – 14:25	Questions and Discussion	All
14:25 – 14:30	Closure	Prof Karen Cohen



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Ms Maropeng Rapetsoa is currently working at the South African National Department of Health under the Affordable Medicines Directorate, as a Pharmaceutical Policy Specialist. She works within the Essential Drugs Programme, involved in the process of selection of essential medicines. She is currently a member of the secretariat for the Primary Healthcare and Adult Hospital Level Expert Review Committees, as well as the National Essential Medicines List Committee.



Qualifications

BPharm; MSc Clin. Epi



Dr Jeremey Nel is a physician and infectious diseases specialist, and the head of infectious diseases at Helen Joseph Hospital and the University of the Witwatersrand. He is past president of the Infectious Diseases Society of South Africa, and an active member of the Southern African HIV Clinicians Society. He has published research in the fields of HIV, tuberculosis, nontuberculous mycobacteria, COVID and cryptococcal meningitis, and lead or participated in clinical trials in COVID-19, cryptococcal meningitis, and pneumonia therapeutics.



Qualifications

MBChB, FCP(SA), Cert ID (SA), DTM&H



Ms Lufano Malala is a Programme Manager - Care & Treatment (DMOC), at the National Department of Health, South Africa. Her prime role is to strengthen Differentiated Service Delivery for HIV/AIDS services through policy review and development, capacity building, technical support, resource mobilization, financial management and monitoring & evaluation including coordinating and conducting the DMOC Performance Reviews. She supports implementation of the DMOC care package ensuring that clients are Linked to care, receive Adherence Support and are Retained in care and are offered the modalities of care that best suit their needs.



Qualifications

Masters in Nursing Science;
Bachelor of Honours
HIV/AIDS Socio-behavioural
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