

Glossary

ABC	"to Abstain, Be faithful, use Condoms" strategy	
ACAME	African Association of Central Medical Stores for Essential Drugs	
ADAPT	NGO with a focus on women issues	
AFRO	African Regional Office	http://www.whoafr.org/index.html
AHS	Academic Health Services	
AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome	
AIM	African Initiative for Malaria Control	
ALOS	Average Length of Stay	
ANC	African National Congress	http://www.anc.org.za/
ANIE	Available Non-Interest Expenditure	
AOD/s	Alcohol and Other Drug/s	
ARH	Adolescent Reproductive Health	
ARHS	Adolescent Reproductive Health Service	
ASSA600	Actuarial Society of South Africa AIDS Model version 600	http://www.assa.org.za/
AZT	Zidovudine (HIV/AIDS drug)	
BAC/s	Blood Alcohol Concentration/s	
BAP	Best Available Price	
BAT	British American Tobacco	http://www.bat.com/
BCEA	Basic Conditions of Employment Act No 75 of 1997	http://www.polity.org.za/govdocs/legislation/1997/act75.pdf
BCG	Bacille Calmette Guerin	
BFHI	Baby-Friendly Hospital Initiative	
BHF	Board of Healthcare Funders	http://www.bhf.co.za
BLO	Better Life Options	
BMI	Body Mass Index	
CASE	Community Agency for Social Enquiry	http://www.case.org.za/
CBE	Community-Based Education	
CBO/s	Community-Based Organisation/s	

CCCC	Community Child Care Committees	
CDA	Central Drug Authority	
CEDAW	Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination Against Women	http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/
CEO/s	Chief Executive Officer/s	
CERD	Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Racial Discrimination	
CHC	Community Health Care/Centres	
CHWs	Community Health Workers	
CIF	Cost, Insurance and Freight	
CLS	Contracts Laboratory Services	
COHSASA	Council for Health Service Accreditation of Southern Africa	
COMED	Co-ordinating Committee for Medical Procurement	
CoN	Certificate of Need	
COPD	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	
CSIR	Council for Scientific and Industrial Research	http://www.csir.co.za/index.html
CSO/s	Community Service Organisation/s	
DDT	Insecticide used for the control of malaria, typhus and other insect-transmitted diseases	http://www.epa.gov/opptintr/pbt/ddt.htm
DENEL	Private company with a wide spectrum of management, research and development, engineering and manufacturing abilities	http://www.denel.co.za/
DENOSA	Democratic Nursing Organisation of South Africa	
DfID	Department for International Development	http://www.dfid.gov.uk/
DHA/s	District Health Authority/ies	
DHER/s	District Health Expenditure Review/s	
DHS	District Health System	
DMT/s	District Management Team/s	
DOH	Department of Health	http://www.health.gov.za/
DOTS	Directly Observed Treatment, short course	
DPT/DP	Diphtheria-Pertussis-Tetanus/ Diphtheria-Tetanus	
DTCA	Direct To Consumer Advertising	
DTD/s	Demonstration and Training District/s	
EC	Eastern Cape	http://www.ectourism.co.za/
ECHO	A licensed pharmaceutical wholesaler regulated by the Medicines Control Agency (UK Department of Health)	http://www.echohealth.org.uk

EDL	Essential Drugs List	
EDM	Essential Drugs and Medicines	
EHO/s	Environmental Health Officer/s	
EHS	Environmental Health Services	
EPI	Expanded Programme of Immunisation	
ESKOM	Electricity Supply Commission	http://www.eskom.co.za/
FACT	Family AIDS Caring Trust	
FAS	Foetal Alcohol Syndrome	
FCST	Freedom of Commercial Speech Trust	
FS	Free State	http://www.fstourism.co.za/
FWCW	Fourth World Conference on Women	
GA	Gauteng	http://www.gauteng.net/
GCIS	Government Communication and Information Service	
GDP	Gross Domestic Product	
GEAR	Growth, Employment and Redistribution	
GIS	Geographical Information System	
GMP	Good Manufacturing Practice	
GPs	General Practitioner/s	
HASA	Hospital Association of South Africa	http://www.hasa.co.za/information_frameset.html
HDI	Human Development Index	
HE at UP	Health Enterprises at University of Pretoria	
HER	Health Expenditure Review	
HIB	Haemophilus Influenza Type B	
HIS	Health Information System	
HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus	
HIV/AIDS	Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome	
HOSPERSA	Hospital Personnel Association of South Africa	
HPS	Health Promoting School	
HR	Human Resources	
HSP	Hospital Strategy Project	
HSSF	Health Sector Strategic Framework	
HWSETA	Health and Welfare Sector Education Training Authority	



ICPD	International Conference on Population and Development	
ICU	Intensive Care Unit	
IDASA	Institute for Democratic Alternatives in South Africa	
IDC	Interdepartmental Committee on AIDS	
IDP	Integrated Development Plan	
IEC	Information, Education and Communication	
IFPMA	International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers' Associations	http://www.ifpma.org/
IGA	Income Generating Activity	
IHD	Ischaemic Heart Disease	
IMC	Inter-Ministerial Committee on AIDS	
IMCI	Integrated Management of Childhood Illness	
IMR	Infant Mortality Rate	
INF	Interim Negotiation Forum	
INP	Integrated Nutrition Programme	
IR	Industrial Relations	
ISA	A South African Union	
ISDS	Initiative for Sub-District Support	http://www.hst.org.za/isds/
ISO	International Standards Organisation	http://www.iso.ch/
IT	Information Technology	
JTI	Japan Tobacco International	
KZN	KwaZulu-Natal	http://www.tourism-kzn.org/
LRI	Lower Respiratory (tract) Infections	
LSD	d-lysergic acid diethylamide	http://www.erowid.org/chemicals/lsd/lsd.shtml
LSDI	Lubombo Spatial Development Initiative	http://www.lubombo.org.za/index.html
MCWH	Maternal, Child and Women's Health	
MDR TB	Multi-drug Resistant Tuberculosis	
MEC/s	Member/s of Executive Council	
MEDUNSA	Medical University of South Africa	http://www.studysa.co.za/uni/meduni.html
MHS	Municipal Health Services	

MINMEC	Ministerial Forum These are sectorally-based meetings of national ministers and provincial MECs, established to promote co-operation, coordination and communication between the national departments and their provincial counterparts. MINMECs comprise a national minister and members of the executive council (MECs) in each of the provinces, e.g. the Minister of Finance together with the MECs for finance in each of the provinces.	http://www.gov.za/reports/prc98/chap2.htm
MIS	Malaria Information System	
MLHWs	Mid-level Health Workers	
MMAF	Maximum Medical Aid Price	
MMR	Maternal Mortality Ratio	
MP	Mpumalanga	http://www.mpumalanga.com/
MPSO	Mpumalanga Project Support Organisation	
MRC	Medical Research Council	http://www.mrc.ac.za/
MRC-CERSA	Medical Research Council – Centre for Epidemiological Research in South Africa	
MSF	Médecins Sans Frontières	http://www.msf.org/
MTCT	Mother to Child Transmission	
MTEF	Medium Term Expenditure Framework	
MVA/s	Motor Vehicle Accident/s	
NA	National Assembly	http://www.polity.org.za/govdocs/parliament/natass.html
NAFCI	National Adolescent Friendly Clinic Initiative	
NC	Northern Cape	http://www.northerncape.org.za/
NCCEMD	National Committee for Confidential Enquiries into Maternal Deaths	
NCOH	National Centre for Occupational Health	
NCOP	National Council of Provinces	http://www.polity.org.za/govdocs/parliament/ncop/index.html
NCR	National Cancer Register	
NDP	National Drug Policy	
NEHAWU	National Education, Health and Allied Workers Union	http://www.cosatu.org.za/affiliates.html#nehawu
NFA	National Framework Agreement for the Restructuring of Parastatals	
NGO/s	Non-Government Organisation/s	
NHA	National Health Accounts	
NHLS	National Health Laboratory Service	http://www.nhls.gov.za

NICD	National Institute for Curriculum Development	
NIV	National Institute for Virology	
NP	Northern Province	http://www.tourismboard.org.za/
NPA	National Programme of Action	
NPF	National Planning Framework	
NQF	National Qualifications Framework	
NTCP	National Tuberculosis Control Programme	
NW	North West	http://www.tourismnorthwest.co.za/
OBE	Outcome-Based Education	
OP	Outpatients	
OPD	Outpatients Department	
ORS	Oral Rehydration Solution	
OTC	Over-the-Counter	
PAHO	Pan American Health Organisation	http://www.paho.org/
PBL	Problem-Based Learning	
PCP	Pneumocystis Carinii Pneumonia	
PDE/s	Patient Day Equivalent/s	
PE	Port Elizabeth	http://www.pecc.gov.za/
PERSAL	Department of Public Service and Administration Personnel and Establishment System database	
PFMA	Public Finance Management Act	http://www.polity.org.za/govdocs/legislation/1999/act1.pdf
PHA	Provincial Health Authority	
PHC	Primary Health Care	
PHCN/s	Primary Health Care Nurse/s	
PHRC	Provincial Health Restructuring Committee	
PMA	Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association	
PMB	Prescribed Minimum Benefits	
PPASA	Planned Parenthood Association of South Africa	http://www.ppasa.org.za/
PPP/s	Public-Private Partnership/s	
PSCBC	Public Sector Central Bargaining Chamber	
PSNP	Primary School Nutrition Programme	
PSSA	Pharmaceutical Society of South Africa	http://www.pssa.co.za
PTC/s	Pharmacy & Therapeutic Committee/s	

PWA	People living With HIV/AIDS	
PWV	Pretoria-Witwatersrand-Vaal	
R&D	Research and Development	
RAMS (now BHF)	Representative Association of Medical Schemes	
RBM	Roll Back Malaria	
RHRU	Reproductive Health Research Unit	http://www.rhru.co.za/
RPL	Recognition of Prior Learning	
RWOPS	Remunerative Work Outside the Public Sector	
SA	South Africa / South African	http://www.southafrica.co.za/
SAA	South African Airways	http://www.saa.co.za/
SAAPSA	South African Alliance for the Prevention of Substance Abuse	
SACENDU	South African Community Epidemiology Network on Drug Use	http://www.mrc.ac.za/urban/sacendu.htm
SADC	Southern African Development Community	
SADHS	South African Demographic and Health Survey	
SAIMR	South African Institute for Medical Research	http://www.wits.ac.za/fac/med/immunology/imm1.html
SAMC	Southern African Malaria Control	
SAMHS	South African Military Health Services	
SAMMDRA	South African Medicines and Medical Devices Regulatory Authority Act, No 132 of 1998	
SAMS	South African Medical Services	
SANAC	South African National AIDS Council	
SANAS	South African National Accreditation Standards	
SANC	South African Nursing Council	http://www.sanc.co.za
SANCA	South African National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence	http://www.sn.apc.org/sanca/
SANCCFW	South African National Council for Child and Family Welfare	
SAQA	South African Qualifications Authority	http://www.saqa.org.za/
SARPCCO	Southern African Regional Police Chiefs Co-operation Organisation	
SATCI	South African Tuberculosis Control Initiative	
SAVACG	South African Vitamin A Consulting Group	
SAVP	South African Vaccine Producers (Pty) Ltd	
SETAs	Sector Educational and Training Authorities	

SHI	Social Health Insurance	
SP	Sulphadoxine Pyrimethamine	
STD	Sexually Transmitted Disease	
TAC	Treatment Action Campaign	
TADSA	TB Alliance DOTS Support Association	
TASO	AIDS Support Organisation	
TB	Tuberculosis	
TFR	Total Fertility Rate	
TOP (CTOP)	Termination of Pregnancy (Choice on Termination of Pregnancy), Act 92 of 1996	http://www.polity.org.za/govdocs/legislation/1996/act96-092.html
TQM	Total Quality Management	
TRIPS	Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights World Trade Organisation agreement	http://www.wto.org/wto/intellect/intellect.htm
TTT	Transformation Task Team	
TVBC	Transkei-Venda-Bophuthatswana-Ciskei	
UCT	University of Cape Town	http://www.uct.ac.za
UK	United Kingdom	http://travel.yahoo.com/t/Europe/United_Kingdom/
UNAIDS	Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS	http://www.unaids.org
UNCRC	United Nations' Convention on the Rights of the Child	
UNDP	United Nations' Development Programme	http://www.undp.org
UNFPA	United Nations' Population Fund	http://www.unfpa.org
UNICEF	United Nations' Children's Fund	http://www.unicef.org
UPFS	Universal/Uniform Patient Fee Schedule	
UPIP	University of Pretoria Institute of Pathology	
US/A	United States of America	http://travel.yahoo.com/t/North_America/United_States/
USSASA	United School Sports Association of South Africa	
VAT	Value Added Tax	
VCT	Voluntary Counselling and Testing	
WC	Western Cape	http://www.wcapetourism.co.za/
WHC	Wits Health Consortium	
WHO	World Health Organisation	http://www.who.int
WTO	World Trade Organisation	http://www.wto.org
YMCA	Young Men's Christian Association	http://www.saymca.org.za/