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## Academic and Peer Reviewed Articles

### **Fast-tracking HIV prevention: scientific advances and implementation challenges**

*Kaymarlin Govender and Nana K Poku. African Journal of AIDS Research. Published: July 2016.*

In 2014 the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV and AIDS (UNAIDS) reaffirmed its 2011 commitment to end the scourge of AIDS by 2030 (see Table 1). Recent articulations of this commitment are outlined in the UNAIDS Fast-Track Strategy and the UNAIDS 90-90-90 Strategy (UNAIDS, 2014a). If, indeed, targets are to be met, a long overdue rethink is needed about what works in HIV prevention. [Read More »](#)

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### **Cost and Impact of Voluntary Medical Male Circumcision in South Africa: Focusing the Program on Specific Age Groups and Provinces**

*Katharine Kripke , Ping-An Chen , Andrea Vazzano , Ananthy Thambinayagam , Yogan Pillay , Dayanund Loykissoonalal, Collen Bonnecwe, Peter Barron, Eva Kiwango, Delivette Castor, Emmanuel Njeuhmeli. PlosOne. Published: 13 July 2016.*

March 2014, 1.9 million men had received voluntary medical male circumcision (VMMC). In an effort to accelerate progress, South Africa undertook a modeling exercise to determine whether circumcising specific client age groups or geographic locations would be particularly impactful or cost-effective. Results will inform South Africa's efforts to develop a national strategy and operational plan for VMMC. [Read More »](#)

Source: <http://journals.plos.org/plosone/>[Accessed: 22 July 2016]

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### **What are the benefits and risks of using return on investment to defend public health programs?**

*Astrid Broussellea , Tarik Benmarhniab, Lynda Benhadjic Preventative. Medicine Reports. Published: June 2016.*

Return on investment (ROI) is an economic measure used to indicate how much economic benefit is derived from a program in relation to its costs. Interest in the use of ROI in public health has grown substantially over recent years. [Read More »](#)

Source: <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/>[Accessed: 22 July 2016]

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### **Making an Impact With Preexposure Prophylaxis for Prevention of HIV Infection**

*Jared M. Baeten. Journal of Infectious Diseases. Published: 14 July 2016.*

Five years ago, pivotal evidence emerged from clinical trials that preexposure prophylaxis (PrEP), using oral tenofovir disoproxil fumarate in combination with emtricitabine, was effective and safe for prevention of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection. Subsequent work has shown high uptake and use of PrEP in demonstration settings worldwide. [Read More »](#)

Source: <http://jid.oxfordjournals.org/content/early/2016/07/12/infdis.iw224.full>[Accessed: 22 July 2016]

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### **Civil society: the catalyst for ensuring health in the age of sustainable development**

*Julia Smith, Kent Buse and Case Gordon. Globalization and Health. Published: 16 July 2016.*

Sustainable Development Goal Three is rightly ambitious, but achieving it will require doing global health differently. Among other things, progressive civil society organisations will need to be recognised and supported as vital partners in achieving the necessary transformations. [Read More »](#)

Source: <https://globalizationandhealth.biomedcentral.com/>[Accessed: 22 July 2016]

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### **Intersystem Implications of the Developmental Origins of Health and Disease: Advancing Health Promotion in the 21st Century**

*Michael D. Barnes, Thomas L. Heaton, Michael C. Goates and Justin M. Packer. Healthcare. Published: 15 July 2016.*

Abstract: The developmental origins of health and disease (DOHaD) theory and life course theory (LCT) are emerging fields of research that have significant implications for the public health and health promotion professions. [Read More »](#)

Source: <http://www.mdpi.com/2227-9032/4/3/45/pdf>[Accessed: 22 July 2016]

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## **Recent News**

### **AIDS2016: Ratchet up efficiency, Gates advises**

*IOL. Published: 21 July 2016.*

Durban - If we're going to treat twice as many people with HIV, we need to double our efficiency because we're not going to get double the money, billionaire philanthropist Bill Gates has warned. [Read More »](#)

Source: <http://www.iol.co.za/news/special-features/>[Accessed: 22 July 2016]

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### **Government launches self-service medicine 'ATMs'**

*News24. Published: 20 July 2016.*

Pietermaritzburg - South Africans will soon obtain their medication from self-service ATM-style machines. This was announced by the South African Ministry of Health on Tuesday at the International Aids Conference taking place this week in Durban. [Read More »](#)

Source: <http://www.news24.com/SouthAfrica/News/>[Accessed: 22 July 2016]

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### **AIDS2016: Employees, particularly domestic workers, report forced HIV testing**

*Bhekisisa. Published: 16 July 2016.*

About a third of South Africans living with HIV report experiencing HIV-related stigma, according to a 2014 survey conducted among about 10 500 people by the Human Sciences Research Council for the South African National Aids Council (Sanac). The study also found that around 25% of respondents who reported having lost work in the year preceding the research attributed this to HIV discrimination. [Read More »](#)

Source: <http://bhekisisa.org/article/>[Accessed: 22 July 2016]

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### **US retracts plan to cut HIV/AIDS funds for SA**

*BDlive. Published: 12 July 2016.*

The US government said on Monday that it would provide \$410m to SA's HIV/AIDS programmes for the fiscal year starting October 1, highlighting how it still provides support to SA despite plans to slash funding. [Read More »](#)

Source: <http://www.bdlive.co.za/national/health/2016/07/12/>[Accessed: 22 July 2016]

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### **NHS to scrap single database of patients' medical details**

*The Guardian. Published: 6 July 2016.*

The government's scheme to store patients' medical information in a single database, which ran into massive problems over confidentiality, is to be scrapped, NHS England has said. The decision to axe the scheme, care.data, follows the publication of two reports that support far greater transparency over what happens to the information, and opt-outs for patients who want their data seen only by those directly caring for them. [Read More »](#)

Source: <https://www.theguardian.com/technology/2016/jul/06/>[Accessed: 22 July 2016]

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## **Training and Resources**

### **The Union: Results-Based Monitoring & Evaluation**

*When: 10 - 14 October 2016*

*Venue: Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia*

*This five-day course focuses on bringing in accountability of monitoring and evaluation for ensuring project completion on time within budgeted costs. [Click Here»](#)*

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### **University of KwaZulu-Natal: Graduate Programme in Public Health 2017**

*UKZN. Published: June 2016.*

*The Discipline of Public Health Medicine is now calling for Application from prospective students for the 2017 intake for the Graduate Programme of Public Health. The Graduate Programme in Public Health aims to produce health professionals who are change agents in the field of public health. The Programme offers a Postgraduate Diploma in Public Health and a Master of Public Health. [Click Here»](#)*

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## **Conferences and Events**

### **Rural Health Conference**

*When: 6 - 9 August 2016*

*Venue: Fort England Hospital, Grahamstown, Eastern Cape, South Africa*

*URL: [www.rhc2016.co.za](http://www.rhc2016.co.za)*

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### **Joint Congress of the South African Thoracic Society & the South African Society of Sleep Medicine**

*When: 21 July 2016*

Venue: Durban, South Africa  
URL: <http://www.sassmcongress2016.co.za>

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### **Public Health Association of South Africa 2016 Conference**

When: 19 - 22 September 2016  
Venue: East London Convention Centre  
E-Mail: [deon.salomo@mrc.ac.za](mailto:deon.salomo@mrc.ac.za)

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### **4th International Conference on HIV/AIDS, STDs and STIs**

When: 3 - 5 October 2016  
Venue: Orlando, Florida, USA  
URL: <http://hiv-aids-std.conferenceseries.com/>

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### **8th World Health Summit 2016**

When: 9 - 11 October 2016  
Venue: Berlin, Germany  
URL: <http://www.worldhealthsummit.org/about-whs/>

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### **Fourth Global Symposium on Health Systems Research**

When: 14 - 18 November 2016  
Venue: Vancouver, Canada  
URL: <http://www.csih.org/en/events/fourth-global-symposium-on-health-systems-research/>

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### **2016 International Leadership in Healthcare Conference**

When: 27 - 30 November 2016  
Venue: Cape Sun International Hotel, Cape Town, South Africa  
URL: [www.leadership2016.co.za](http://www.leadership2016.co.za)

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## **Job Opportunities**

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### **Health Systems Trust: Administrator - Adolescent Girls and Young Women**

Closing date: 3 August 2016  
Please click the url for more details  
<http://www.hst.org.za/jobs/administrator-adolescent-girls-and-young-women>

### **Positive Women's Network: Various vacancies**

Closing date: 25 July 2016  
Please click the url for more details  
<http://www.ngopulse.org/opportunity/2016/07/05/positive-women%E2%80%99s-network-vacancies>

### **Pact: Capacity Building Coordinator**

Closing date: 29 July 2016  
Please view our website for more details  
<http://www.hst.org.za/jobs/capacity-building-coordinator>

### **Desmond Tutu HIV Foundation: Finance and Procurements**

Closing date: 29 July 2016  
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