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Academic and Peer Reviewed Articles

An integrative model of patient-centeredness – a systematic review and concept analysis
Isabelle Scholl, Jördis M. Zill, Martin Härter, Jörg Dimmaier. Plos One. Published: 17 September 2014.

Existing models of patient-centeredness reveal a lack of conceptual clarity. This results in a heterogeneous use of the term, unclear measurement dimensions, inconsistent results. Read More »
Nurses’ shift length and overtime working in 12 European countries - the association with perceived quality of care and patient safety
Peter Griffiths, Chiara Dall'Ora, Michael Simon, Jane Ball, Rikard Lindqvist, Anne-Marie Rafferty, Lisette Schoonhoven, Carol Tishelman, and Linda H. Aiken. Medical Care. Published: 15 September 2014.

Despite concerns as to whether nurses can perform reliably and effectively when working longer shifts, a pattern of two 12- to 13-hour shifts per day is becoming common. Read More »
Source: http://journals.lww.com/lww-medicalcare/Abstract/publishahead[Accessed: 26 September 2014]

Implementing strategies in consumer and community engagement in health care: Results of a large-scale, scoping meta-review
Pooria Sarrami-Foroushani, Joanne Travaglia, Deborah Debono and Jeffrey Braithwaite. BioMed Central. Published: 18 September 2014.

There is growing recognition of the importance of the active involvement of consumers and community members in health care. Read More »

One size doesn't fit all: Tailoring adult antiretroviral treatment

Advances in antiretroviral treatment mean that patients in the public health system can be given more options in the management of their treatment. Read More »

Evaluation of a community health worker intervention and the World Health Organization’s Option B versus Option A to improve antenatal care and PMTCT outcomes in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania: Study protocol for a cluster-randomized controlled health systems implementation trial

Mother-to-child transmission of HIV remains an important public health problem in sub-Saharan Africa. As HIV testing and linkage to PMTCT occurs in antenatal care (ANC), major challenges for any PMTCT option in developing countries. Read More »
Source: http://www.trialsjournal.com/content/15/1/359/abstract[Accessed: 26 September 2014]

To legislate or not to legislate? A comparison of the UK and South African approaches to the development and implementation of salt reduction programs
Karen Charlton, Jacqui Webster and Paul Kowal. Nutrients. Published: 16 September 2014.

Abstract: The World Health Organization promotes salt reduction as a best-buy strategy to reduce chronic diseases, and Member States have agreed to a 30% reduction target in mean population salt intake by 2025. Read More »

Recent News

Call for chapters – South African Health Review
Health Systems Trust

Researchers, educators, students, policy-makers, planners, capacity-builders, managers and specialist practitioners in the field of health systems and related health development disciplines are invited to submit abstracts for the 2014/2015 South African Health Review. Read More »

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We need stronger evidence to make the case for close-to-community health providers
BioMed Central. Published: 18 September 2014.

In this guest post, Dr Miriam Taegtmeyer, Senior Clinical Lecturer at the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine writes for Human Resources for Health on the need for better evidence on the benefits and implementation of close-to-community health provider programs in low- and middle- income countries...Read More »

Herbalists' crucial link to health services
Health-e News. Published: 15 September 2014.

Since the 1970s, Soweto's Ikwezi train station has been abuzz with local herbalists...Read More »

Medicines and Related Substances Amendment Bill [B6-2014]
Parliamentary Monitoring Group. Published: 23 September 2014.

The Parliamentary Portfolio Committee on Health (National Assembly) invites you to submit written comments on Medicines and Related Substances Amendment Bill [B6-2014]...Read More »

Traditional healing: Modern medicine’s friend or foe?
Guardian Professional. Published: 17 September 2014.

Despite scepticism, WHO has legitimised acupuncture and ayurveda. Is it time public health woke up to their potential?Read More »

Gauteng health department ‘still plagued with problems’, says Creecy
BDlive. Published: 14 September 2014.

Gauteng’s departments of health and human settlements have remained underperformers even though the number of departments with unfavourable audit outcomes decreased...Read More »

Complementary medicine rules revised
BDlive. Published: 17 September 2014.

The Department of Health has responded to pressure from the R8.5bn complementary medicines industry and is proposing changes to some of the controversial regulations it introduced last November. Read More »

MDGs: Child and maternal health needs critical care
Mail&Guardian. Published: 24 September 2014.

Despite increased efforts to improve child and maternal health, countries are still lagging behind in meeting their Millennium Development Goals...Read More »

South Africa ready for private medical school
Mail&Guardian. Published: 24 September 2014.

To speed up the country’s delivery of qualified doctors, Western Cape Health MEC Theuns Botha says private medical schools are necessary. Read More »
**Ambitious new targets for HIV treatment scale-up**

UNAIDS. Published: 18 September 2014.

Leading academic, policy, industry and HIV community members gathered at a major AIDS summit held in London, United Kingdom, on 18 September have concurred that ending the AIDS epidemic as a global health threat is possible. [Read More »](http://www.unaids.org/en/resources/presscentre/featurestories/2014/september/20140918treatment)

**Ebola demands a global response: Obama**

SABC. Published: 17 September 2014.

As the United Nations Security Council plans to convene an emergency session on the Ebola outbreak in West Africa on Thursday, United States President Barack Obama has warned that it could become a threat to global security... [Read More »](http://www.sabc.co.za/news/a/eaef0400458036a0b1a8b7c7c599c9eb/ Ebola-demands-a-global-response:-Obama-20140917)

**Africa Rising: Leaders meet to discuss sustainable development that leaves no one behind**

UNAIDS. Published: 24 September 2014.

How to realise Africa’s potential for the future of all its peoples and build international support for the continent’s development were key questions explored in the first session of the Africa Rising Forum held this week in New York... [Read More »](http://www.unaids.org/en/resources/presscentre/featurestories/2014/september/20140922rising)

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**Training and Resources**

**2nd Regulatory Workshop – New Developments in Drug Regulation**

Dates: 9-10 October 2014  
Venue: University of Pretoria, Sanlam Auditorium, Hatfield Campus  
Contact: ccollins@ttctrials.co.za

The 2nd Regulatory Workshop on new developments in drug regulations will take place on 9-10 October 2014 at the University of Pretoria Sanlam Auditorium. The following topics will be covered by speakers from the MCC, EMA (CHMP), academia and industry: Medical Devices, In Vitro and In Vivo Diagnostics, Generic Drugs, Anti-infective Drugs, Advanced-therapy Medicinal Products (ATMPs) and The Regulator as Gatekeeper and Enabler for Drug Development.

**New MPhil in Clinical Pharmacology**

Venue: University of Cape Town  
Contact: lubbe.wiesner@uct.ac.za

This degree offers postgraduate training in the drug development process, via coursework and a research project with a thesis. The primary objective of this course is to educate and train researchers in the clinical pharmacology of drug development, so that they may contribute to new knowledge in the field of drug discovery and development. Click Here»

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**Books, Publications, Reports and Manuals**

**Out of chaos comes a dancing star – Notes on professional burnout**


A collection of essays created from workshops on burnout and stress management, facilitated by the author. Click Here»

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**Conferences and Events**

**Hospital Association of South Africa 2014**

When: 15-17 October 2014  
Venue: Sandton Convention Centre, Johannesburg, South Africa  
URL: [http://www.conferencehasa.co.za](http://www.conferencehasa.co.za)
The Hospital Association of South Africa (HASA) is a confederation of private hospitals and ambulatory clinics, operating on a non-profit basis, representing the collective interests of private hospitals in South Africa in respect of economic and social policy and other areas, as agreed to by its members.

14th Association for Health Information and Libraries in Africa Congress
When: 20-24 October 2014
Venue: Mwalimu Julius Nyerere International Convention Centre, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania
URL: http://www.ahila-tz.org/

AHILA was founded in 1984 with the aim of improving provision of up-to-date and relevant health information; encourage professional development of health librarians; promote information resource sharing in Africa and exchange of experiences as well as promoting the development and standardization and exchange of health databases in Africa.

International Mesothelioma Interest Group Conference
When: 21-24 October 2014
Venue: Cape Town International Convention Centre, South Africa
URL: http://imig2014.org/

iMig cordially looks forward to welcoming you to Cape Town, South Africa from 21-24 October 2014 for the 12th International Mesothelioma Interest Group Conference - the world's premier medical congress on mesothelioma. Our theme is the ongoing quest for cure.

Inaugural HIV Research for Prevention Conference (HIVR4P)
When: 28-31 October 2014
Venue: Cape Town International Convention Centre, South Africa
URL: http://hivr4p.org/

HIV R4P is the world's first and only scientific meeting dedicated exclusively to biomedical HIV prevention research. Through both abstract and non-abstract driven sessions, the conference will support cross-fertilization between research on HIV vaccines, microbicides, PrEP, treatment as prevention and other biomedical prevention approaches, while also providing a venue to discuss the research findings, questions and priorities that are specific to advancing each modality.

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