

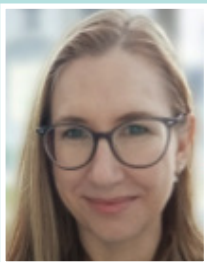
OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Member List and Summarised Biographies

MEMBER	PROFILE
 <p>Dr Janine Jugathpal</p>	<p>Dr Janine Jugathpal, graduated with her B.Pharm (2002) and PharmD (2012) from Rhodes University, Eastern Cape Province, South Africa. Whilst working as a clinical pharmacist at one of the largest public sector specialist hospitals in the Eastern Cape Province between 2007 and 2013), Janine served as member of the Expert Review Committees (between 2010 and 2014) of the South African National Essential Medicines Committee (NEMLC) which develops the national Standard Treatment Guidelines and Essential Medicines List for South Africa. In November 2013, she was appointed as a pharmaceutical policy specialist at the National Department of Health. In February 2015, she was appointed as Deputy Director/Senior Pharmaceutical Policy Specialist of the Essential Drugs Programme (EDP) and currently still holds that position in the National Department of Health. Through the EDP, Janine now oversees the technical work related to strengthening of guideline development and Health Technology Assessment (HTA) processes, including supporting the work of the Ministerial Advisory Committee on HTA.</p>
 <p>Ms Amanda Brewer</p>	<p>Ms Amanda Brewer is pharmacist by training with over 14 years of experience spanning the public, private, and non-governmental healthcare sectors in South Africa. Holding a Master of Business Administration and a Master of Science in Pharmaceutical Affairs, Amanda's diverse educational background empowers her to navigate the intricate intersections of health policy, medicines supply chain, business strategy and governance. Passionate about strengthening health systems, Amanda currently serves as a Health Technology Assessment and Policy Consultant for the National Department of Health.</p>
 <p>Ms Kim MacQuilkan</p>	<p>Ms Kim MacQuilkan (MPH) is a health policy, economics and systems expert with a special interest in strengthening methodology and processes within complex systems. Kim loves interdisciplinary work, seeing the 'bigger picture' and thinking out-of-the-box. This is reflected in her diverse background spanning health economics (financing and evaluation), HTA and evidence-informed decision-making, complementary health and pharmacy, procurement, health policy and systems, as well as project management. Kim's passions are well-served in her current role as a HTA and policy consultant for the NDoH.</p>
 <p>Ms Derusha Frank</p>	<p>Derusha is a qualified pharmacist with professional experience spanning clinical trial research and private institutional pharmacy practice. She subsequently joined the Clinton Health Access Initiative, contributing to the implementation and support of national programs focused on sexually transmitted infections and HIV prevention. Derusha holds a master's degree in pharmacy and has a particular interest in evidence-based medicine, health system strengthening, and the design, monitoring, and evaluation of public health interventions.</p> <p>Outside of her professional work, Derusha enjoys reading, baking and creative activities which provide balance to her professional pursuits.</p> <p>Derusha currently supports health technology assessment as a member of the National Essential Medicines List Committee and Expert Review Committee Technical Oversight Team</p>

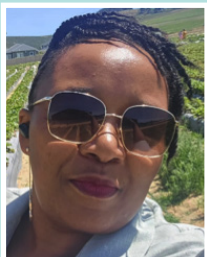
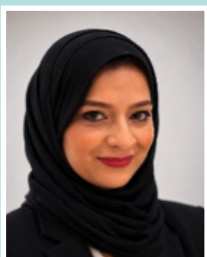
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 <p>Dr Jane Riddin</p>	<p>Dr Jane Riddin is a clinical pharmacist currently working at the South African National Department of Health under the Affordable Medicines Directorate, as a Pharmaceutical Policy Specialist for the past 10 years. She works within the Essential Drugs Programme, involved in the process of selection of essential medicines. She is part of the NEMLC and ERC Oversight Committee</p>
 <p>Ms Maropeng Rapetsoa</p>	<p>Maropeng holds a BPharm and MSc. Clin. Epi and 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 part of the NEMLC and ERC Oversight Committee.</p>
 <p>Dr Ruth Lancaster</p>	<p>Ruth is a clinical pharmacist currently working at the National Department of Health in the Essential Drugs Programme. Her role focuses on pharmaceutical policy and promoting the rational use of medicines to strengthen healthcare delivery in South Africa. She is also the secretariate to the Third Line Antiretroviral Therapy Committee. She has a particular interest in matters concerning all aspects of data.</p>
 <p>Dr Millidhashni Reddy</p>	<p>Dr Millidhashni Reddy, a Fulbright scholar, graduated with a PhD in Pharmacy (Pharmacoepidemiology & Pharmacoeconomics) from the University of Texas, at Austin. Milli holds a M.Sc. degree from UT Austin and a M Pharm degree from the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University with clinical pharmacy experience from South Africa and the National Health Service, UK. Over the last decade Milli has served in various roles designed to promote health system strengthening in low and middle-income countries including Drug Access Program Manager at the Clinton Health Access Initiative and Senior Technical Advisor on Pharmacoeconomic Evaluations for Management Sciences for Health. Currently, Dr. Reddy serves as an independent pharmaceutical consultant. In this capacity she has worked with national and international organisations including the Advanced Clinical Care Programme at the Centre for the AIDS Programme of Research in South Africa, Population Services International, IQVIA, The Better Health Programme, Right to Care and Supply Chain Management Services. Her current support to the National Department of Health includes evidence-based health technology assessment for the selection of essential medicines in South Africa with a keen interest for critical and palliative care. In her spare time, inspired by her children and love for teaching, Milli enjoys sharing her passion for traveling through children's books.</p>

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 <p>Ms Olwethu Mambinja</p>	<p>Olwethu is a dedicated healthcare professional with a strong academic and professional background in pharmaceutical policy and health systems strengthening. She works closely with national and provincial health authorities to ensure that policies, guidelines, and essential medicine frameworks remain evidence-based, relevant, and accessible to all levels of care. Her expertise includes the development and dissemination of South Africa's Standard Treatment Guidelines and Essential Medicines List, supporting policy reviews, and driving the adoption of evidence-informed decision-making processes.</p> <p>She has also played a pivotal role in strengthening Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics Committees (PTCs) through mentorship, needs assessments, and the creation of monitoring tools to improve accountability and performance.</p>
 <p>Nasreen Seedat</p>	<p>Nasreen Seedat is a Pharmaceutical Policy Specialist, Pharmacist and Researcher, with experience in evidence-based healthcare policy, academia, clinical trials, public health and health systems strengthening. She holds a Master of Pharmacy degree (summa cum laude) from the University of KwaZulu-Natal and has supported the South African National Department of Health through the Essential Drugs Programme and worked in programs such as Antimicrobial Resistance and the Ministerial Advisory Committee on COVID-19 Vaccines. Her current work focuses on the development of Standard Treatment Guidelines and Essential Medicines Lists as well as rational medicine use and implementation policy. Nasreen is passionate about translating research into policy to improve healthcare outcomes and access to essential medicines in South Africa.</p>
 <p>Ms Zahiera Adam</p>	<p>Zahiera is a pharmacist with over 20 years professional experience spanning both the private and public healthcare sectors. Shortly after completing her BPHARM at WITS University, she moved to the UK, where she practiced as a hospital pharmacist in the National Health Service for 11 years. Postgraduate qualifications obtained concurrently through part-time study in the UK, include a Diploma in Clinical Pharmacy Practice, MSc in Health Informatics and MBA. International consulting assignments in Greece and India as part of London Business School's MBA program, were followed by a career switch to the financial services sector and included supporting the UK expansion strategy of a South African based asset management firm. This corporate exposure facilitated a return to healthcare in the private sector, during which time, she managed the Medicine Policy Units at two of South Africa's leading managed care organisations, earning her the 2016 Manager's Pinnacle Award nomination for outstanding leadership. Zahiera is currently an independent pharmacist consultant, specialising in evidence-based medicine, health technology assessment, medicine reimbursement strategies and tools, as well as clinical governance. Other achievements include a 5-year term (2019- 2023) as a non-executive director of the PTCMA (Pharmaceutical and Technological Clinical Management Association) as well as ministerial appointments by the S.A. Minister of Health to serve on the South African Pricing Committee (3 year term from 2018-2020) and the National Essential Medicines List Committee (NEMLC). Zahiera is currently an independent consultant and in her spare time tries to embrace the adage of 'walking in nature to witness a thousand miracles'.</p>



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