



Public Debate



Date : Wednesday 22 November,
15:30 for 16:00 - 18:30
Place : University of the Witwatersrand,
School of Public Health,
Resource Centre
RSVP : For catering purposes RSVP
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Raising Alarm and Being Heard. What is the change we need to promote and support healthcare worker advocacy?

Programme

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15.30	Arrival	
	Topic	Speaker
16.00-16.10	Welcome and Opening Statement	Marije Versteeg-Mojanaga (RHAP), Director
16.10-16.30	Life Esidimeni and the role of HCWs	Dr Mvuyiso Talatala (Past SASOP – President, GP Psychiatrist)
16.30-16.50	Change needed in the system for effective advocacy	Dr Lesley Robertson (SASOP, GP Psychiatrist,
16.50-17.05	Community perspective	TAC representative
17.15-17.30	Wits OT Students who Raised Alarm	Shelley Wilsnach, Wits OT Comserve Student
17.30-17.45	Insights from the Life Esidimeni Arbitration – Legal team supporting the LE families	Tendai Mafuma, Legal Researcher SECTION27
17.45-18.00	Advocacy as a HCW competency – from theory to practice	Prof Laetitia Rispel – DST/NRF Research Chair on the health workforce and Prof of Public Health, Wits School of Public Health
18.00-18.20	Debate and Q&A from the floor	ALL
18.20-18.30	Closing statement	Mark Heywood, Executive Director, SECTION27