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Biosketch:

I am a specialist scientist in Health Economics at the Health Systems research Unit of the South African Medical Research Council ([SAMRC](#)). I lead the Health Economics Cluster. We primarily conduct economic evaluations alongside trials, econometric analyses to understand causal pathways using large datasets, and investment case work in the areas of mental health, gender-based violence and HIV-prevention for vulnerable populations. We also conduct methodological work on valuing quality of life outcomes in economic analyses. Alongside this, my team and I serve as health economic advisors on several National Department of Health Working Groups (Technical Working Group- WHO Healthcare Financing Progress Matrix). From 01 November 2025 I will transition to director of PRICELESS-SA, a key centre for health economics and decision science in South Africa.

To date, I have worked on 41 published papers (9 first-author; 8 senior author; H index= 20, citation count =3447), and served as PI on five international grants. I am academic editor for PloS Global Health (health economics) and reviewer on key journals in my field- *Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation*, *Lancet-Global Health*, *AIDS*, *Journal of Adolescent Health*. I have served as a reviewer for the South African National Research Foundation and the SAMRC (Scientific Review Committee, Extramural Unit Review Committee). I supervise both Masters (4 graduated, 1 passed) doctoral (2 in progress) students. I have examined 7 dissertations (4 Masters, 3 PhDs).

1. EDUCATION

- 2017-2020** *Doctorate (PhD, Public Health and Policy-Health Economics)*, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (LSHTM), United Kingdom “Wellbeing among adolescents and young adults in sub-Saharan Africa: A mixed methods study of their wellbeing construct, its health correlates and association with access to HIV treatment”) (Passed: 28 April 2020), Supervisor: Prof Janet Seeley (LSHTM); Co-supervisor: Dr Giulia Ferrari (LSE)
- 2009-2011** *Master of Public Health (MPH-Epidemiology and Biostatistics)*, University of Cape Town, South Africa. Supervisor: Prof Linda-Gail Bekker (UCT); Co-supervisor: Assoc Prof Catherine Mathews (SAMRC/UCT)
- 2008** *Honours (Biochemistry)*, University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa
- 2005-2007** *Bachelor of Science, (BSc-BioMedical Sciences)*, University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa

2. EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- 01 Nov 2026-30 Oct 2028** Director- SAMRC extramural unit/WITS Centre for Health Economics and Decision Science (PRICELESS-SA)
- Dec 2023-31 Oct 2025** Specialist scientist- Senior (Health Economics)- Youth Health Economics Focal Area Lead, Health Systems Research Unit-South African Medical Research Council
- Jun 2020-Nov 2023** Specialist scientist- Entry (Health Economics)- Youth Health Economics Focal Area Lead, Health Systems Research Unit-South African Medical Research Council
- Oct 2014-May 2020** Senior scientist- Health Systems Research Unit-South African Medical Research Council
- 2013** Researcher (Epidemiology)- Health Economics and Epidemiological Research Office (HE²RO), University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa.

2011-2013	Epidemiologist- Monitoring and Evaluation Department, Médecins Sans Frontières -Doctors without Borders, South Africa and Lesotho
2009- 2011	Research Fellow- Desmond Tutu HIV Centre, Institute of Infectious Disease and Molecular Medicine, University of Cape Town, South Africa
2009	Data analyst- Lung Infection and Immunity Unit, The Lung Institute, Department of Medicine, University of Cape Town, South Africa

3. ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

2015-2019	Honorary Research Associate- Adolescent Health Research Unit, Department of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Cape Town
2017-2020	Research Degree Student- Centre for Health Economics in London (CHiL), Department of Global Health and Development, Faculty of Public Health and Policy, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine

4. PARTICIPATION IN EXPERT GROUPS/INTERVIEWS

2025	Health Economist-Ministerial Advisory Committee on Health Care Benefits. National Department of Health, South Africa
2024	Participated as a key informant- PI of a trial in SSA. Improving the pre-funding and peer review process to increase the informativeness of randomized trials (INFORM). University of Aberdeen. December 2024 Africa Health Research Institute/UKZN- Trial Management Group (Mobile Men) Provided feedback to NDOH- Adolescent and Youth Health. Adolescent wellbeing measurement assessment and investment case
2023- present	Steering committee member (health economics) on a SAPRIN surveillance node (Umlazi Surveillance Initiatives to Nurture Grassroot Action (SAPRIN-USINGA)).
2022-2025	Technical Working Group Member- Health Economics lead (Health Financing Matrix)- Department of Health/WHO
2020	Participated in an expert consultation to inform the development of the Gender, Justice, Security and Health Index. the GCRF UKRI Gender, Justice and Security Hub. LSHTM, LSE, UCL
2020	Participated in the feedback survey for Priority indicators for adolescent health measurement proposed by the Global Action for Measurement of Adolescent health (GAMA) Advisory Group- WHO
2020	Participated in a DELPHI exercise aimed at evaluating interventions addressing the HIV continuum of care for adolescents in South Africa. Adolescent HIV Implementation Science Alliance–South Africa (AHI(SA) ²)
2019	Participated on panel adolescent mental health- HIV and mental health. UK MRC/ASSAF-Academy of Science SA

5. GRANTS

2025	Wellcome Trust- UK, Mental Health Data Prize- Africa <i>Co-development of a Mental Health Data Discovery Platform and Harmonisation of Mental Health Measures for Young People in South Africa (PAMHoYA) (R4.6mil,, GBP 200,000)</i> Co-PI: Darshini Govindasamy
2024-2027	South African Population Network <i>Nodal Fellowship for PhD Health Economics Training (R2 million)</i> PI: Darshini Govindasamy
2024-2026	The George Institute- Australia, and South African Medical Research Council <i>Formative work for the design of South Africa's first health-related quality of life (EQ-5D) adult valuation study (R200, 000)</i> PI: Darshini Govindasamy

2023-2028	Wellcome Trust- UK <i>Fedisa Modikologo- End the Cycle</i> <i>Five year survey of IPV victims and their children (SAMRC)</i> Co-investigator: Darshini Govindasamy (Health Economics-lead- patient-side costing)
2022-2024	IDRC Canada- Women Rise <i>Strengthening the Impact of South Africa's COVID-19 Social Relief Distress grant among unpaid caregivers of adolescents living with HIV (ZAR 10, 663,030; CAD 851,000).</i> Collaboration between SAMRC and Simon Fraser University Co-PI: Darshini Govindasamy
2022-2023	Wellcome Trust- UK, Mental Health Data Prize <i>Development and validation of a digital tool for identifying young people at risk for depression in South Africa (ZAR 795, 830, GBP 42,000)</i> PI: Darshini Govindasamy
2021	Liverpool John Moores University <i>Evaluating a memory-based tool as a marker for HIV-disease progression among adults living with HIV in South Africa (R75,000)</i> SA PI: Darshini Govindasamy
2021-2022	South African Medical Research Council- Intramural Fund Office of the President <i>Caregiver wellbeing (CWeL) study: Feasibility, acceptability and preliminary effectiveness of an economic incentive to improve the wellbeing among caregivers of adolescents living with HIV in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa: a mixed method pilot randomised controlled trial. (ZAR 800,000, GBP 40,000)</i> PI: Darshini Govindasamy
2020-2021	EuroQol Research Foundation: <i>The feasibility, reliability and validity of the EQ-5D-Y-5L versus the EQ-5D-Y-3L and CHU9D in routine healthcare settings among adolescents living with HIV in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa: a mixed-method study. (EQ Project 144-2020RA). EURO: 51,766.</i> PI: Darshini Govindasamy
2017	National Research Foundation, South Africa. Thuthuka Award. <i>The health-related quality of life and wellbeing among young people living with and without HIV in South Africa (TTK160504163987).</i> ZAR 100 000 (GBP 5263). PI: Darshini Govindasamy
2016-2018	South African Medical Research Council, Intramural Award. <i>Achieving Universal HIV care Coverage among Children and Adolescents in South Africa (UHCASA Project). ZAR 750 000 (GBP 39 473).</i> PI: Darshini Govindasamy

6. PUBLICATIONS

- H-INDEX: 20
 - TOTAL CITATIONS: 3447 CITATIONS (AS PER GOOGLE SCHOLAR: [HTTPS://SCHOLAR.GOOGLE.COM/CITATIONS?USER=MSXLZWSAAAAJ&HL=EN](https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=MSXLZWSAAAAJ&hl=en))
1. Dheda K, Shean K, Zumla A, Badri M, Streicher EM, Page-Shipp L, Willcox P, John M-A, Reubenson G, Govindasamy D, Wong M, Padanilam X, Dziwiecki A, van Helden PD, Siwendu S, Jarand J, Menezes CN, Burns A, Victor T, Warren R, Grobusch MP, van der Walt M, Kvasnovsky C. Early treatment outcomes of extensively drug-resistant tuberculosis in South Africa are poor regardless of HIV status. *The Lancet*. 2010; 375:1798-1807.
 2. Govindasamy D, van Schaik N, Kranzer K, Wood R, Mathews C, Bekker L-G. Linkage to HIV care from a mobile HIV screening unit in South Africa by different CD4 count strata. *J Acquir Immune Defic Syndr*. 2011; 58: 344-352.
 3. Kranzer K, Govindasamy D, van Schaik N, Thebus E, Davies N, Zimmermann MA, Jeneker S, Lawn SD, Wood R, Bekker L-G. Incentivised recruitment of a population sample to a mobile HIV testing service increases the yield of newly diagnosed cases including those in need of antiretroviral therapy. *HIV Medicine*. 2012; 13:132-137.

4. Kranzer K, Govindasamy D, Ford N, Johnston V, Lawn SD. Quantifying losses from the care pathway for people living with HIV infection: a systematic review. *Int J Int. AIDS Soc.* 2012; 15: 1-15.
5. Govindasamy D, Ford N, Kranzer K. Risk factors, barriers and facilitators for linkage to ART care in sub-Saharan Africa: A systematic review. *AIDS.* 2012; 26: 2059-2067.
6. Kranzer K, Lawn SD, Meyer-Rath G, Vassall A, Radithalo E, Govindasamy D, van Schaik N, Wood R, Bekker L-G. Feasibility, yield and cost of active tuberculosis case finding linked to a mobile HIV testing service in Cape Town, South Africa. *PLoS Medicine.* 2012; 9: e1001281.
7. Govindasamy D, Kranzer K, van Schaik N, Noubary F, Wood R, Walensky RP, Freedberg KA, Bassett IV, Bekker L-G. Linkage to HIV, TB and non-communicable disease care from a mobile testing unit in Cape Town, South Africa. *PLoS ONE.* 2013 8(11): e80017.
8. Bassett IV, Govindasamy D, Erlwanger BA, Hyle E, van Schaik N, Noubary F, Wood R, Losina E, Bekker LG, Freedberg KA. Mobile HIV screening in Cape Town, South Africa: clinical impact, cost and cost-effectiveness. *PLoS ONE.* 2013.
9. Govindasamy D, Kranzer K, Ford N. Strengthening the HIV cascade to ensure an effective future ART response in sub-Saharan Africa. *Trans R Soc Trop Med Hyg.* 2013.
10. Govindasamy D, Meghij J, Negussie E, Ford N, Kranzer K. Interventions to improve or facilitate linkage to or retention in pre-ART (HIV) care and initiation of ART – a systematic review. *Int J Int. AIDS Soc.* 2014.
11. Getahun H, Matteelli A, Abubakar I, Abdel Aziz M, Baddeley A, Barreira D, Den Boon S, Borroto Gutierrez SM, Bruchfeld J, Burhan E, Cavalcante S, Cedillos R, Chaisson R, Bin-Eng Chee B, Chesire L, Corbett E, Dara M, Denholm J, Doets E, de Vries G, Falzon D, Ford N, Gale-Rowe M, Gilpin C, Girardi E, Yeong Go U, Govindasamy D, et al. Management of latent Mycobacterium tuberculosis infection: WHO guidelines for low-tuberculosis incidence countries. *Eur Respir J.* 2015.
12. Govindasamy D, Ferrand R, Wilmore SM, Ford N, Ahmed S, Afnan-Holmes H, Kranzer K. Uptake and yield of HIV testing and counselling among older children and adolescents (5-19 years) in sub-Saharan Africa: A systematic review. *Int J Int. AIDS Soc.* 2015.
13. Maskew M, Fox MP, Evans D, Govindasamy D, Jamieson L, Malet G, Mongwenyana C, Technau K. Insights into adherence to care among a cohort of adolescents aged 12-20 years in South Africa: reported barriers to care. 2016. *AIDS Research and Treatment.*
14. Wang T, Lurie M, Govindasamy D, Mathews C. The effects of school-based condom availability programs (CAPs) on condom acquisition, use and sexual behavior: A systematic review. 2018. *AIDS and Behavior.*
15. Govindasamy D, Seeley J, Oлару I, Wiyeh A, Mathews C, Ferrari G. Informing the measurement of wellbeing among young people living with HIV in sub-Saharan Africa for policy evaluations: a mixed-methods systematic review.. 2020. *Health and Quality of Life Outcomes.* <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12955-020-01352-w>
16. Govindasamy D, Maruping, K., Ferrarri G, Mathews C & Seeley, J. A qualitative enquiry into the meaning and experiences of wellbeing among young people living with and without HIV in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. 2020. *Social Science and Medicine.* <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2020.113103>
17. Mathews C, Cheyip M, Beauclair R, Puren A, Lombard C, Jonas K, Ayalew K, Govindasamy D, Kuo C, Dietrich J. HIV care coverage among HIV-positive adolescent girls and young women in South Africa: Results from the HERStory Study. *South African Medical Journal.* 2021;111(5):460-8
18. Duby, Z., Bunce, B., Fowler, C., Bergh, K., Jonas, K., Dietrich, J. J., Govindasamy D, Kuo, C. & Mathews, C. 2022. Intersections between COVID-19 and socio-economic mental health stressors in the lives of South African adolescent girls and young women. *Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and Mental Health*, 16, 23.
19. Duby, Z., Jonas, K., Bunce, B., Bergh, K., Maruping, K., Fowler, C., Reddy, T., Govindasamy D, & Mathews, C. Navigating Education in the Context of COVID-19 Lockdowns and School Closures: Challenges and Resilience Among Adolescent Girls and Young Women in South Africa. *Frontiers in Education*, 2022. *Frontiers Media SA*, 856610
20. El-Krab, R., Kalichman, S., Govindasamy D, Banas, E., Kalichman, M. & Mathews, C. 2022. Subjective well-being and COVID-19 prevention practices among people living with HIV in Cape Town, South Africa. *Global Public Health*, 17, 1-12.
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- Murray, S. M. 2023. "It's Better If I Die Because Even in the Hospital, There is a Stigma, People Still Gossip": Gossip as a Culturally Shaped Labeling Process and Its Implications for HIV-Related Stigma in Botswana. *AIDS and Behavior*.
23. Jonas, K., Lombard, C., Chirinda, W., Govindasamy, D., Appollis, T. M., Kuo, C., Gray, G., Beauclair, R., Cheyip, M. & Mathews, C. 2022. Participation in an HIV prevention intervention and access to and use of contraceptives among young women: A cross sectional analysis in six South African districts. *Contraception*, 116, 51-58.
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 26. Jonas, K., Zani, B., Ramraj, T., Chirinda, W., Jama, N., Basera, W., Appollis, T. M., Pass, D., Govindasamy, D. & Mukumbang, F. C. 2022. Service delivery models for enhancing linkage to and retention in HIV care services for adolescent girls and young women and adolescent boys and young men: a protocol for an overview of systematic reviews. *BMJ open*, 12, e060778.
 27. Duby, Z., Bunce, B., Fowler, C., Jonas, K., Bergh, K., Govindasamy, D., Wagner, C. & Mathews, C. 2023. "These Girls Have a Chance to be the Future Generation of HIV Negative": Experiences of Implementing a PrEP Programme for Adolescent Girls and Young Women in South Africa. *AIDS and Behavior*, 27, 134-149.
 28. Moyo, R. C., Govindasamy, D., Manda, S. O. & Nyasulu, P. S. 2023. A prediction risk score for HIV among adolescent girls and young women in South Africa: identifying those in need of HIV pre-exposure prophylaxis. *HIV Research & Clinical Practice*, 24, 2221377.
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 32. Carries S, Sigwadhi L, Moyo A, Wagner C, Mathews C, Govindasamy D. The association between household food insecurity and mental health among adolescent girls and young women (AGYW) during the COVID-19 epidemic in South Africa. *Adolescents*, 4(1), pp.185-199. <https://doi.org/10.3390/adolescents4010013>
 33. Shezi, B., Mendoza, H., Govindasamy, D., Casas, L., Balakrishna, Y., Bantjes, J. and Street, R., 2024. Proximity to public green spaces and depressive symptoms among South African residents: a population-based study. *BMC public health*, 24(1), p.925.
 34. Jewkes R, Ramsoomar L, Nothling J, Willan S, Mbowane V, Chirwa E, et al. Fedi? a Modikologo: breaking the intergenerational cycle of violence against women and children. Theoretical framework and protocol for a prospective cohort study [version 1; peer review: awaiting peer review]. *Wellcome Open Research*. 2025;10(126).
 35. Govindasamy, D., Shai N, Mwandacha N, Carries S, Sithole N, Closson K, Bhana A, Sigwadhi L, Washington L, Kaida A. A cash transfer plus gender transformative economic empowerment intervention seeking to improve the wellbeing of caregivers of children and adolescents living with HIV in South Africa: a feasibility study protocol for a pilot cluster randomised trial. 2025. *BMC Pilot and Feasibility Studies*. 11, 52. <https://doi.org/10.1186/s40814-025-01643-3>
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38. Moyo R, Davids E, Shai N, Mwandacha N, Carries S, Sithole N, Closson K, Bhana A, Sigwadhi L, Washington L, Kaida A, Govindasamy D. (2025) Depressive symptomology and their correlates among caregivers of children and adolescents living with HIV in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa (AIDS Care)
39. Gladsen T, Verstraete J, Davids E, Carries S, Moyo A, Angell B, Jan S, Govindasamy D. Methodological Insights from Health Valuation Studies in Low- and Middle-Income Countries, A Scoping Review. (Value in Health)
40. Implementing oral (event-driven and daily) and long-acting pre-exposure prophylaxis in mobile men in Sub-Saharan Africa: a phase 3b, open-label, hybrid type 2 implementation and effectiveness trial (MOBILE MEN). Mobile Men Investigator Team. (Trials)
41. Manyapelo T, Mbonye M, Ngcobo SE, Gumede D, Fox J, et al. (2025) Sexual risk and HIV prevention choices among men who are mobile for work: Results from a rapid ethnographic assessment for the Mobile Men trial in South Africa and Uganda. PLOS Global Public Health 5(9): e0005213.
<https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pgph.0005213>
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Under review/in preparation for submission

1. Sithole N, Davids E, Carries S, Mkhwanazi Z, Sigwadhi L, Govindasamy D. The correlates and experiences of HIV-related intersectional stigma among caregivers of adolescents living with HIV during COVID-19 in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa: results from a mixed method study. (Revise and resubmit-PLoS Global Health)
2. Govindasamy D. Bärnighausen T, Neuman M, Govender D, Bodzo P, Mathews C, Seeley J, Ferrari G. The association between HIV treatment access and young people's wellbeing in South Africa: a multi-level modelling approach. (SSM- reviewer feedback received, undergoing revision)
3. Carries S, Davids EL, Nyasulu J, Govindasamy D. Insights for Measuring Wellbeing in Economic Evaluations of Interventions for Adolescents and Young People Living with HIV in sub-Saharan Africa. (Under Review Health and Quality of Life Outcomes)
4. Bodzo P, Alaba O, Carries S, Muhwava L, Davids E, Govindasamy D. Determinants of psychological and subjective wellbeing among adolescents and young people in sub-Saharan Africa – a systematic review. (Under Review: Journal of Adolescent Health)
5. Govindasamy D. Neuman M, Bärnighausen T, Bodzo P, Mathews C, Seeley J, Ferrari G. The association between mental health and wellbeing among young people in South Africa: evidence from a panel survey. (In preparation for submission- Lancet Child and Adolescent Health/ Health Economics)
6. Carries S, Mkhwanazi Z, Sigwadhi L, Verstraete J, Lombard C, Moshabela M, Penton H, Finch A, Jelsma J, Govindasamy D. The feasibility of the EQ-5D-Y-5L versus the EQ-5D-Y-3L and CHU9D in routine healthcare settings among adolescents living with HIV in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa: a mixed-method study. (In preparation for submission-Health and Quality of Life Outcomes)
7. Carries S, Sigwadhi L, Mkhwanazi Z, Verstraete J, Lombard C, Moshabela M, Penton H, Finch A, Jelsma J, Govindasamy D. The reliability and validity of the EQ-5D-Y-5L versus the EQ-5D-Y-3L and CHU9D in routine healthcare settings among adolescents living with HIV in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa: a mixed-method study. (In preparation for submission-Value in Health)
8. Bhata A, Sithole N, Davids E, Carries S, Mkhwanazi Z, Sigwadhi L, Govindasamy D. The association between food insecurity and depressive symptoms among caregivers of adolescents living with HIV (ALHIV) during COVID-19 in KwaZulu Natal, South Africa (In preparation for submission-BMC- Public Health)
9. Govindasamy D., Shai N, Mwandacha N, Carries S, Sithole N, Closson K, Bhana A, Sigwadhi L, Washington L, Kaida A. A cash transfer plus gender transformative economic empowerment intervention seeking to improve the wellbeing of caregivers of children and adolescents living with HIV in South Africa: results from main trial. (In Preparation: Lancet Global Health)

10. Carries S, Shai N, Mwandacha N, Sithole N, Closson K, Bhana A, Sigwadhi L, Washington L, Kaida A, Govindasamy D. An economic evaluation of a cash transfer plus gender transformative economic empowerment intervention aimed at improving the wellbeing of caregivers of children and adolescents living with HIV in South Africa (In Preparation)

7. CONFERENCE OR WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

(* = oral presentation, ** Invited presentation, ***= poster)

1. *Carries S, Davids EL, Nyasulu J, **Govindasamy D**. Insights for Measuring Wellbeing in Economic Evaluations of Interventions for Adolescents and Young People Living with HIV in sub-Saharan Africa. SAPRIN Conference. Cape Town, South Africa. 2025.
2. *Gangaidzo T, **Govindasamy D**, PAMHoYA team. Co-development of a Mental Health Data Discovery Platform and Harmonisation of Mental Health Measures for Young People in South Africa (PAMHoYA). SAPRIN Conference, Cape Town, South Africa. 2025
3. ***Govindasamy D**, Carries S, Shai N, Sithole N, Moyo A, Closson K, Bhana A, Sigwadhi L, Washington L, Gibbs A, Kaida A. The Cost and Cost-effectiveness of a Cash Transfer Plus Economic Empowerment Intervention for Promoting Caregiver Wellbeing in South Africa. International Health Economics Association World Congress. Bali, Indonesia. 2025
4. ***Govindasamy D**, Shai N, Carries S, Sithole N, Moyo A, Closson K, Bhana A, Sigwadhi L, Washington L, Gibbs A, Kaida A. Results of a cash transfer plus economic empowerment intervention on caregiver wellbeing: a pilot cluster randomised trial in South Africa. AIDS IMPACT 2025. Morocco
5. Sithole N, Carries S, Mkhwanazi Z, Shai N, Mwandacha N, Closson K, Bhana A, Sigwadhi L, Washington L, Davids EL, Kaida A, **Govindasamy D**. A cross-sectional study on the correlates and experiences of intersectional stigma among female caregivers of children and adolescents living with HIV (CALHIV) in South Africa. PHASA 2025
6. *Moyo A., Sithole N., Dubazana S.E., Bantjes J., Peer N., Munyombwe T., Maposa I., **Govindasamy D**. The relationship between cardiovascular health and common mental disorders among young adults: A systematic review of observational studies. Cardiometabolic Health and Diabetes Africa Congress 2025, Cape Town, South Africa.
7. *Bodzo P, Alaba O, Carries S, Muhwava L, Davids E, **Govindasamy D**. *Determinants of psychological and subjective wellbeing among adolescents and young people in sub-Saharan Africa – a systematic review. African Health Economics and Policy Association (AfHEA) Conference. 2025, Kigali, Rwanda.
8. *Moyo A, Sigwadhi L, Carries S, Sithole N, Moyo R, Bhana A, Nyasulu P, Theresa M, Maposa I, **Govindasamy D**. Identifying correlates of depressive or anxiety symptoms among adolescents and young adults in South Africa using household survey data. World Congress of Epidemiology 2024, Cape Town, South Africa.
9. *** Moyo A, Sithole N, Sigwadhi L, Carries S, Moyo R, Bhana A, Nyasulu P, Maposa I, **Govindasamy D** Engaging with young people with mental health lived experience to inform the statistical analysis of a large South African dataset. 2024 SA-ACAPAP Congress, Cape Town, South Africa (PhD student awarded best poster)
10. ***Govindasamy D**, Shai N, Mwandacha N, Carries S, Sithole N, Closson K, Bhana A, Sigwadhi L, Washington L, Gibbs A, Kaida A. Early lessons learned from a cash transfer + gender transformative economic intervention seeking to improve wellbeing among caregivers of CALHIV in South Africa. African Workshop on HIV & Women 2024. Kenya
11. ***Chazanga L, Sigwadhi L, Moyo A, Carries S, **Govindasamy D**. The association between depressive symptoms and psychological wellbeing among adolescent girls and young women (AGYW) during COVID-19 in South Africa. ICASA 2023
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24. ** **Govindasamy D.** HIV and mental health among young people in sub-Saharan Africa. Improving the prevention and management of multimorbidity in sub-Saharan Africa. Workshop. The Academy of Medical Sciences UK and Academy of Science South Africa (5-6 September 2019)
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33. * **Govindasamy D**, Kranzer K. Risk factors, barriers and facilitators for linkage and retention in care. Oral. 7th International AIDS Society Conference on HIV Pathogenesis, Treatment and Prevention, Kuala Lumpur Malaysia, 2013
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35. ***Zembe Y, **Govindasamy D**, McClinton Appollis T, Townsend L, Shaik, N, Mathews C. How do adolescents in a poor, high HIV prevalence rural district in KwaZulu Natal, South Africa respond to multiple forms of adversity? Implications for resilience. 19th Congress of the South African Association of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry and Allied Professions, Cape Town, South Africa, 2017
36. *McClinton Appollis T, **Govindasamy D**, de Vries, PJ, Mathews C. A descriptive study of regret of sexual debut among young adolescents in Western Cape, South Africa. 19th Congress of the South African Association of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry and Allied Professions, Cape Town, South Africa, 2017
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38. ***Maskew M, Fox MP, Evans D, **Govindasamy D**, Technau K. Predictors of missed clinic visits in adolescents aged 12-20 years in South Africa. 7th South African AIDS conference, Durban, South Africa, 2015.
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40. *Bassett IV, **Govindasamy D**, Erlwanger BA, Hyle E, van Schaik N, Noubary F, Wood R, Losina E, Bekker LG, Freedberg KA. Mobile HIV screening in Cape Town, South Africa: clinical impact, cost and cost-Effectiveness. 20th Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections, Washington, United States of America, 2013.
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42. ***Nqoko B, **Govindasamy D**, van Schaik N, Thebus E, Davis N, Radithalo E, Bekker LG. Repeat and first-time testers accessing a mobile unit in Cape Town, South Africa. 5th South African AIDS conference, Durban, South Africa, 2011.
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44. ***Radithalo E, Kranzer K, Thebus E, Dawson M, **Govindasamy D**, van Schaik N, Bekker LG. Feasibility of intensified tuberculosis case finding linked to a mobile HIV testing unit. 4th South African TB Conference, Durban, South Africa 2010
45. *Kranzer K, Bekker LG, Lawn SD, van Schaik N, **Govindasamy D**, Wood R. Intensified TB case finding among HIV- TB suspects linked to a mobile VCT service in Cape Town. 14th Annual Conference, International Union on Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease, Berlin, Germany, 2010.

8. AWARDS, HONORS, DISTINCTIONS

2024-2027	SAPRIN Nodal Fellowship
2017-2020	Bongani Mayosi National Health PhD Scholarship
2016	SAMRC Intramural award. Early career development
2011	Young Investigator Awardee-Poster: 18th Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections, Boston, United States of America
2009	PEPFAR/UNAIDS Masters Fellowship, National Research Foundation Masters Scholarship, Siri Johnson Masters Bursary, Harry Crossley Masters Scholarship.

2008	NRF Scarce Skills Honours Scholarship for academic merit, CSIR Honours Bursary for academic merit, Certificate of merit for Honours coursework
2007	Deans Commendation- Undergraduate studies

9. CONSULTANCIES/SUB-CONTRACTS

Oct 2023	Sub-contracted by Africa Health Research Institute (AHRI) to provide health economic support on their projects (Mobile Men, Nurture for You)
Dec 2016-Feb 2017	Commissioned by the World Health Organization, Global TB Department, Switzerland <u>Govindasamy D, I Olaru, Kranzer K. 2017. Update of three systematic literature reviews on the prevalence of latent tuberculosis infection, the risk of progression to active TB disease, and cumulative prevalence of active TB among household contacts in different age groups. Findings from this review informed the “Latent tuberculosis infection: updated and consolidated guidelines for programmatic management. World Health Organization; 2018.”</u> https://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/handle/10665/260233/9789241550239-eng.pdf Role: Developed and implemented protocol and search strategy. Conducted data extraction, quality appraisal, and analysis. Examined quality of the evidence (GRADE). Outputs- Report
Jan-Apr 2014	Commissioned by the World Health Organization, Global TB Programme, Switzerland <u>Govindasamy D, Kranzer K. 2015. Which populations will benefit most from latent TB infection treatment? Part B: The risk of progression from latent TB infection to active TB disease. 2014. Presented at the guideline development meeting, Geneva, Switzerland.</u> Findings from this review informed the “Guidelines on the management of latent tuberculosis infection. World Health Organization. The End TB Strategy. 2015”. http://www.who.int/tb/publications/latent-tuberculosis-infection/en/ Role: Developed and implemented protocol and search strategy. Conducted data extraction, quality appraisal, and analysis. Examined quality of the evidence (GRADE). Outputs- Report, presentation at WHO TB meeting
Mar-May 2013	Commissioned by the World Health Organization-HIV Department, Switzerland <u>Govindasamy D, Kranzer K. 2013. Interventions to improve or facilitate linkage to or retention in pre-ART (HIV) care and initiation of ART – a systematic review.</u> Role: Developed and implemented protocol and search strategy. Conducted data extraction, quality appraisal, and analysis. Outputs- Report, scientific conference

10. SUPERVISION EXPERIENCE

2025-2026	Co-supervisor for Ms. Sibusisiwe Makhanya. Master of Social Science (Sociology) student at the University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN). <i>Title: Examining Economic Vulnerability and Intimate Partner Violence: A Case of Chatsworth, Durban</i>
2024-2025	Co-supervisor for Mr Siyabonga Dubazana. MPH student-Year 1, University of the Witwatersrand. <i>Title: Assessing HIV risk behaviours, perception of HIV risk, PrEP knowledge and preference and the feasibility of using BART to measure risky behaviours related to HIV among young women in uMkhanyakude District, KwaZulu Natal</i>
2024-2025	Co-supervisor for Ms Nelly Mwandacha. MPH student-Year 2 (Simon Fraser University, Canada). <i>Title: Impacts of a cash transfer + gender transformative economic empowerment intervention on the sexual relationship power dynamics of women caregivers of children and adolescents living with HIV in South Africa (Passed)</i>
2024-2026	Supervisor for Mr Stanley Carries, PhD student-Year 1 (Health Systems- Department of Global Health), Stellenbosch University. <i>Title: Co-development of a wellbeing measure for application in economic evaluations of adolescent interventions in Sub-Saharan Africa</i>
2023-2026	Supervisor for Ms Audrey Moyo, PhD student- Year 1 (Epidemiology and Biostatistics), Stellenbosch University. <i>Title: A longitudinal assessment of the predictors of depressive and anxiety symptoms among young people in South Africa</i>
2023-2024	Supervisor for Mr Amanuel Bahta, MSc in Biostatistics- Passed (Epidemiology and Biostatistics), Stellenbosch University. <i>Title: Multivariate structural equation modelling and Item Response Theory in the Analysis of Health Related Quality of life</i>

(HRQoL) Among Adolescents living with HIV in KwaZulu natal South Africa. Result: Student passed

- 2021-2022** **Co-supervisor** for Mr Reuben Moyo, Masters of Science (Epidemiology and Biostatistics), Stellenbosch University- Graduated. Title: *Developing and validating an HIV risk assessment tool for adolescent girls and young women: Identifying those in need of HIV Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis*. Result: Student passed
- 2020-2024** **Co-supervisor** for Ms Padaimoyo Bodzo, Masters of Public Health Student (Health Economics), School of Public Health, University of Cape Town: Title of MPH thesis: *Socio-economic determinants of wellbeing: findings from a cross-sectional survey among adolescent girls and young women in 6 districts in South Africa*. Result: Student passed
- 2016-2020** **Co-supervisor** for Ms Anbrenthia Moos, Masters student-Graduated. School of Public Health, University of the Western Cape. Title of Masters thesis project: *A qualitative feasibility study to evaluate the use of a screening tool to detect neurocognitive deficits among perinatally HIV-infected children by primary health care workers*. Result: Student passed

11. POSTGRADUATE DISSERTATIONS/PROTOCOLS EXAMINED/ASSESSED *

Year	Thesis title	Student	Qualification (University)
2025	Reaching a Forgotten Key Population: Evidence and Recommendations to Improve PrEP Delivery for Pregnant or Parenting Young Women in sub-Saharan Africa	Jenny Chen-Charles	PhD (UCT)
2024	Effectiveness of Clinic-Based Patient-Led HPV DNA self-sampling among women living with HIV in Uganda	Agnes Nyabigambo	PhD (UKZN)
2023	Exploring burnout among frontline healthcare workers during COVID-19 Pandemic in Mthatha, South Africa	Noluyolo Fathuse	MPH (UKZN)
2022	*Social support and sexual health among very young adolescent girls in two districts in Malawi: A narrative inquiry	Wanangwa Manda	PhD – interim seminar (WITS)
	Access to Tuberculosis testing among adolescents living with Human Immunodeficiency Virus in the Eastern Cape, South Africa: social factors and theoretical considerations	Quintin van Staden	MSocSc specialising in Sociology (UCT)
2021	Evaluating the Mentorship Programme in Clinical Settings for Community Service Nurses at Zululand and uMgungundlovu Health Districts, KwaZulu-Natal in 2019	Cynthia Nkosingiphile Gama	MPH (UKZN)
2021	Uptake and determinants of HIV Testing-Progress towards achieving the first 90 of the UNAIDS 90-90-90 Targets. Using population-based household survey datasets	Sean Jooste	PHD (UKZN)
2019	Conducting a Cost Analysis to Address Issues of Budget Constraints on the Implementation of the Indoor Residual Spray Program. An Intervention to Control and Eliminate Malaria in Two Districts of Maputo Province, Mozambique	Neide Canana	MPH (Health Economics)

12. MENTORING EXPERIENCE

2024	Mentor for Post-Doc health economic's student at WITS Centre for Health Policy (Dr Trust Gangaidzo)- Wellcome Trust Grant- Mental Health Data Prize Africa
2023	Mentor for Masters Intern (MSc Biostats- Stellenbosch University), Ms Leonora Chazanga
2020	Abstract mentor for early investigators submitting conference abstracts (AIDS 2020)
2018	PhD Mentor for Doctoral Student (Manon Haemmerli) LSHTM
2018	Mentor for international student: Ms Ji Yun Lee-Bachelor of Health Science (Undergraduate Student), McMaster University Canada
2015	Mentor for international : Ms Stephanie Pons (MPH Public Health/Community Service Internship), Brown University, USA
2016	Abstract mentor for early investigators submitting abstracts (AIDS 2016)

13. PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

2021-2023	The Professional Society for Health Economics and Outcomes Research (ISPOR) SA Chapter
2017-present	Public Health Association South Africa
2017-present	International Health Economics Association
2016	International AIDS Society

14. TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2025	Guest lecture: Uncertainty and Sensitivity Analysis: Economic Evaluations module- MSc Health Systems. Stellenbosch University
2025	Adolescent Health Short Course. Global and local burden of disease for adolescents and effective interventions targeting HIV/mental health (Online), Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Cape Town
2024	Community-based HIV studies, Simon Fraser University (SFU) and Sub-Saharan African Network for TB/HIV Excellence (SANTHE) HIV and Youth Experiential Field School, University of KwaZulu-Natal
2024	Adolescent Health Short Course. Global and local burden of disease for adolescents and effective interventions targeting HIV/mental health (Online), Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Cape Town
2023	Community-based HIV studies, Simon Fraser University (SFU) and Sub-Saharan African Network for TB/HIV Excellence (SANTHE) HIV and Youth Experiential Field School, University of KwaZulu-Natal
2023	Disease surveillance, and project management-Community Health- Undergraduate students, Durban University of Technology, South Africa
2023	Adolescent Health Short Course. Global and local burden of disease for adolescents and effective interventions targeting HIV/mental health (Online), Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Cape Town
2015-2018	Guest lecturer (Questionnaire design, Health in Context Block-Public Health (4th year Medical students), School of Public Health, Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Cape Town
2015	Guest lecturer- Gender and Health, MPH programme, School of Public Health and Family Medicine, University of Cape Town
2010	Guest lecture- An introduction to epidemiology. Workshop (Youth pre-conference). 17th International AIDS Conference, Vienna, Austria, 2010.

15. SCIENTIFIC REVIEWER

Year	Type
2025	South Africa (National Research Foundation)- Scientific Ratings Application
2024	South Africa (National Research Foundation)- Scientific Ratings Application South African Medical Research Council- Scientific Reviewer of proposal for ethics submission
2023	South African Medical Research Council- Extramural unit reviewer Abstract reviewer- South African Association for Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and Allied Professions
2021-2022	South African Medical Research Council- Scientific Reviewer of proposal for ethics submission
2020	Abstract reviewer- International AIDS Society Conference

16. AD HOC JOURNAL REVIEWER

PLoS ONE, Global Health

JIAS

AIDS CARE AND BEHAVIOR

JAIDS

AIDS

JOURNAL OF HAPPINESS STUDIES

JOURNAL OF ADOLESCENT HEALTH

Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation

Lancet Global Health

Lancet HIV

International Journal of Mental Health

17. WEBINARS/SYMPOSIUMS/PRESENTATIONS/MODERATOR

2025	Moderator: Economic Evaluations of Infectious Diseases	International Health Economics Association World Congress 2025, Indodensia
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	Title: Developing South Africa's first quality of life value set to inform health technology assessments	The George Institute of Global Health- CORE Knowledge Exchange Online Seminar (13 March 2025)
	Title: Formative work to develop South Africa's valuation study protocol	Stakeholder Engagement Meeting 1: Developing South Africa's first quality of life value set to inform health technology assessments (Lead Organizer: Dr Darshini Govindasamy) (27-28 th Feb 2025, Umhlanga Durban)
	Title: Mobile Men-Costing (Update)	Mobile Men (Kings College, AHRI)- 2 nd Consortium Meeting (6 th Feb 2025, Online)
	Title: Findings from the CWEL+ Trial	IDRC/Women Rise Initiative- End of Project Meeting (3-5 th Feb 2025, Nairobi, Kenya)
2024	Title: Navigating local challenges and cultivating change: Insights into gender equality and inclusion in research. Caregiver Wellbeing Plus Trial- Application of a Human Centred Design Approach.	IDRC/Women Rise Initiative Webinar Series. 19 November 2024
	Title Investing in vulnerable populations: high upfront costs but long-term equity gains	SAMRC- Health Systems Research Symposium, South Africa (<i>Making UHC truly universal: what are the challenges to achieving UHC in an unequal society and how do we target these now?</i>)
	Title: The Caregiver Wellbeing + Trial- Update	Funder visit (IDRC- Canada/APHRC), South Africa
	Title: Mobile Men-Cost Analysis	Mobile Men (Kings College, AHRI)- 1 st Consortium Meeting (South Africa)
2023	Title: Positive Minds study feedback	Wellcome Trust (virtual)
	Moderator 1. Measuring quality of life in children and adolescents 2. Capabilities of vulnerable populations	International Health Economics Association World Congress- Cape Town, South Africa.
	Title: The Caregiver Wellbeing + Trial- Co-development of the intervention	SAMRC- Behavioural Interventions Group (virtual)

	Title: Household economic impact of IPV-guidance on measures and analysis	SAMRC- Gender and Health Research Unit , Introduction Investigator meeting (South Africa)
	Title: Design of the CWEL+ Trial	Funder meeting (IDRC/APHRC), Kenya
2022	Title: A pilot randomised controlled trial evaluating an economic incentive package to improve wellbeing among caregivers of adolescents living with HIV during COVID-19 in KZN	KZN Department of Health, Research Symposium, virtual SAMRC- Behavioural Interventions Group, virtual
2019	Title: Desktop review on interventions to promote mental health among adolescents living with HIV	Improving the prevention and management of multimorbidity in sub-Saharan Africa. Workshop. The Academy of Medical Sciences UK and Academy of Science South Africa

18. SCIENTIFIC REPORTS/POLICY BRIEFS/MANUAL DEVELOPMENT

2024	Research in Action article: Voices for positive change: South African women tell their stories	https://idrc-crdi.ca/en/research-in-action/voices-positive-change-south-african-women-tell-their-stories
	Report: The feasibility, reliability and validity of the EQ-5D-Y-5L versus the EQ-5D-Y-3L and CHU9D in routine healthcare settings among adolescents living with HIV in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa: a mixed-method study.	https://medat.samrc.ac.za/index.php/catalog/55
	Manual: Caregiver Wellbeing +: 10-session Economic Empowerment Programme	
2023	Report: HERStory2: Process evaluation of the combination HIV prevention intervention for adolescent girls and young women (AGYW), Global Fund grant period 2019 to 2022	https://www.samrc.ac.za/research-reports/herstory2-process-evaluation-combination-hiv-prevention-intervention-adolescent?type=research-report&menu=intramural-research-units&menu-item=health-systems
2022	Policy brief: The HERStory Series: Addressing the intersecting vulnerabilities in mental health and sexual and reproductive health amongst adolescent girls and young women in South Africa Policy brief: The HERStory series: COVID-19 and socio-economic mental health stressors in the lives of South African adolescent girls and young women Policy brief: The HERStory Series: Lessons learned from implementing a PrEP programme for adolescent girls and young women in South Africa	https://www.samrc.ac.za/sites/default/files/attachments/2022-09/HERStory1ResearchBriefMentalHealth.pdf https://www.samrc.ac.za/policy-briefs/herstory-series-covid-19-and-socio-economic-mental-health-stressors-lives-south?type=policy-briefs&menu=resource-centre&menu-item=policy-briefs https://www.samrc.ac.za/policy-briefs/herstory-series-lessons-learned-implementing-prep-programme-adolescent-girls-and?type=policy-briefs&menu=resource-centre&menu-item=policy-briefs
2020	Report: Evaluation of a South African Combination HIV Prevention Programme for Adolescent Girls and Young Women: HERStory Study	https://www.samrc.ac.za/research-reports/evaluation-south-african-combination-hiv-prevention-programme-adolescent-girls-and?type=research-report&menu=intramural-research-units&menu-item=health-systems
2020	Report: Improving the prevention and management of multimorbidity in sub-Saharan Africa. Workshop.	https://research.assaf.org.za/assaf-server/api/core/bitstreams/7ff74440-b9a7-46d3-8f2c-99051df9d533/content

	The Academy of Medical Sciences UK and Academy of Science South Africa	
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19. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

2024	CWeL+ project background	https://youtu.be/SC091LZR03o
	CWeL+ project impact -	https://youtu.be/ooJQgiHqvHM
	Youth Health Economics Focal Area: CWEL+: Dissemination workshop (20 TH Sept 2024)	
	Youth Health Economics Focal Area: SAMRC's Job Shadow Programme - Generation Science (Gen S)	https://www.samrc.ac.za/news/gen-s-2024-empowering-future-generation-health-scientists
	Youth Health Economics Focal Area Sister Hood Dialogues (Women's Day)	
	Youth Health Economics Focal Area: Food hamper distribution to caregivers residing in severe food insecure households	
2024-2022	Youth Health Economics Focal Area: Caregiver Advisory Board Meetings	
2023-2021	Youth Health Economics Focal Area: World AIDS Celebrations- Distribution of hampers at study clinics in eThekweni municipality, KZN, South Africa	
2023	Youth Health Economics Focal Area: SAMRC's Job Shadow Programme - Generation Science (Gen S)	
2022	Youth Health Economics Focal Area: Lived Experience Workshop among Youth affected by mental health issues in the eThekweni municipality, South Africa	

20. MEDIA CONTACT/BLOG POST

2025	PAMHoYA project launch	Online- Mail & Guardian https://mg.co.za/partner-content/2025-06-26-pam-hoya-project-where-data-science-meets-youth-voices/
2024	SAPRIN- PhD Fellowship (Health Economics), Award letter	Online newsletter https://saprין.mrc.ac.za/SAPRIN Nodal PhD Fellowship.pdf

	HIV care cascade: Burden of HIV among young people and impact on carers HIV Infected Children Caregivers Require More Support: Govindasamy	TV SABC news https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O0ipF9anzZw&t=111s https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S20QaVqJe24&t=1s
	HIV Infected Children Caregivers Require More Support: Govindasamy	Online news articles The Africa https://www.theafrica.co.za/africanews/hiv-infected-children-caregivers-require-more-support-govindasamy-45334229 News 365 https://news365.co.za/hiv-infected-children-caregivers-require-more-support-govindasamy/
	CWEL+ project- Economic empowerment sessions	Radio stations Ukhozi FM, Radio Al-Ansaar, Lotus FM, Voice of the Cape, Umhlobo Wenene, Radio Khwezi
	CWEL+ project overview	Online/Print Magazine Bophelo Life Magazine (The Community Issue-March 2024) https://www.samrc.ac.za/BOPHELO/index.html
	Health Budget 2024 fails to address poverty-related health issues and build trust for NHI – SAMRC	Opinion piece- Spotlight-Online magazine https://www.spotlightnsp.co.za/2024/02/28/health-budget-2024-tangible-investment-needed-to-alleviate-poverty-related-health-issues-and-build-trust-for-nhi/
2023	Who cares for the caregivers? Addressing the needs of HIV/AIDS caregivers in South Africa	Online article https://www.mrc.ac.za/news/who-cares-caregivers-addressing-needs-hivaids-caregivers-south-africa
2022	Reflections from the Positive Mind's Study	Online Blog Post https://www.samrc.ac.za/other/reflections-positive-mind%E2%80%99s-scientific-team?bc=285

21. KEY TRAININGS

2024	Distributional Cost-Effectiveness Analysis (University of York- online) Academic supervisor training (Stellenbosch University-online)
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	First Aid (SAMRC/Institute of Emergency First Aid)
2023	Leadership and management coaching (SAMRC/Coach Matching-online) Media Training (SAMRC- Janine Lazarus Media Consultancy) Working with lived experience experts (Wellcome Trust/Social Finance- virtual)
2022	Tree Age Pro (Tree Age, online) Cluster Randomised Trials (LSHTM, online) Sex and Gender in the analysis of data from human research participants (CIHR, online) Sex and Gender in Biomedical Research (CIHR, online)
2021	Stigma Research Training Institute (Fogarty International Center, National Institutes of Health, online)
2020	Good Clinical Practice- Refresher (SAMRC/CREDE)
	Introduction to Pragmatic trials (SAMRC/Merrick Zwarenstein)
2019	Introduction to ArcGIS software (LSHTM), Longitudinal Data Analysis (LSHTM, Masters Module)
2018	Introduction to Econometrics (LSE- short-course)
2017	Qualitative Research Methodology (LSHTM-Masters Module), Economic Evaluation (LSHTM) Certificate in Children and Clinical Research (The Global Health Network- online)
2016	Scientific Writing workshop (SAMRC) Good Clinical Practice (SAMRC/CREDE)
2015	Theory and Application of Economic Evaluation in Health Care (UCT-Masters Module) Adolescent Health (LSHTM, short-course)
2014	Introduction to Health Economics (LSHTM- Masters Module-Distance learning)
2012	Cost data collection and analysis (HE ² RO/WITS)
2010	Use of STATA in HIV/TB programmatic analysis (MSF- Dr Katharina Kranzer)
2009	Introduction to Project Management (DTHF) Introduction to Access (DTHF)