**SEFAKO MAKGATHO
HEALTH SCIENCES UNIVERSITY**

Safe Surgery SA

# Data Driven Surgery:

# Empowering Policy & Practice

Wednesday 4 December 2024

# PROGRAMME

**8:00 – 8:30 AM: Registration and Welcome Coffee**

**8:30 - 8:40 AM: Opening Remarks**

Introduction to the conference objectives and importance of data-driven approaches in surgery for South Africa. Speaker: **Hyla Kluyts**

**8:40 - 9:00 AM: Keynote Address**

Keynote speech on the significance of data-driven strategies in informing policy to promote surgical systems strengthening. Speaker: **Nicholas Crisp**

**9:00 - 10:15 PM: Panel discussion – Data Use Cases to Improve Surgical Care**

Interactive discussion and case studies focusing on the utilization of data analytics and technology in shaping practice and policy.

Panellists: **Shrikant Peters (GSH clinical manager); Zane Farina (UKZN Anaesthesia & Critical Care); Senzo Mthembu (UCT Health Economics); Reitze Rodseth (Netcare); Elmarie Claassen (HISP SA); William Mapham (Vula Mobile); Thinus Smit (BSI Deep Health); Morne Visser (PHISC)**

**10:15 - 10:30 AM: Networking Coffee Break**

**10:30 - 11:45 PM: Panel Discussion - Bridging the Gap between Private and Public Sectors**

Discussion on the challenges (data privacy, infrastructure, funding) and opportunities (shared resources) for collaboration between private and public sectors on surgical and perioperative care.

Panellists: **Nonkululeko Boikhutso (NMCH CEO); Astrid Ellaya (Mediclinic); Marlon Burgess (SANRAI International); Simon Strachan (SAPPF); Brian Ruff (PPO Serve); Ntuthuko Bhengu (Alchemy Health Technologies); Rolan Christian (Jembi Health Systems)**

**11:45 - 12:15 PM: The Namibian experience**

Presenting the experience and lessons learnt during development of the Namibian National Surgical Obstetrics and Anaesthesia Plan (NSOAP). Speaker: **Apollo Basenero**

**12:15 – 12:30 PM: Final remarks and closure**

Summary of key takeaways from the conference.

Call to action for continued collaboration and implementation of data-driven perioperative initiatives. Speaker: **Hyla Kluyts**