


**PRESIDENT REPORT**

Annual General Meeting of the  
Public Health Association of South Africa (PHASA)

Julia Moorman  
8<sup>th</sup> October 2015




### Presentation Outline

- Organisational issues
- Highlights from 2015
- Challenges
- Way forward 2016
- Sub groups – Dr S Moodley
  - Special Interest Groups
  - Branches
  - JuPHASA



### 2015 PHASA EXECUTIVE

Committee Member	Position	Affiliation
Julia Moorman	President	Gauteng Department of Health / School of Public Health, University of Witwatersrand
Saiendhira Moodley	Vice President	Steve Biko Academic Hospitals / School health Systems and Public Health
Andre Rose	Treasurer	Free State Department of Health / Community Health
Waasila Jassat	Secretary	Aurum Institute
Linda Skaal	Member	University of Limpopo
Tracey Naledi	Member	Western Cape Provincial Government
Moeketsi Modisenyane	Member	National Department of Health
Gail Hughes	Member	University Western Cape
Brian van Wyk	Member	University Western Cape
Siyasanga Mbiza	Member	KwaZuluNatal
Thembalile Dlamini	Member	School of Public Health, KwaZuluNatal
Mandu Mnguli	JuPHASA	Postgraduate public health student



### PHASA membership

- Currently 219 members who have paid annual fee (more people than this on the database.)
- Reminder are sent
- Membership picks up significantly before conference
- Benefits for members only relate to reduced conference fee



### ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND GROWTH

- Annual lekgotla held in November 2014 to develop programme of action
- 6 weekly exec teleconference.
- Secretariat and conference organisation contracted to Medical Research Council
- Review of Articles of Association (AoA) to bring these in line with the 'public good' mission of PHASA
- Efforts to ensure compliance with AoA e.g. ensuring that financial audits are up to date
- Formalising secretariat functions via the Medical Research Council
- Internal policies finalised
  - Sub-groups
  - Sponsorship Policy



### Strategic Plan for PHASA 2020


#### Focus Areas for PHASA 2020





## Objectives

- OBJECTIVE 1: To mobilize resources to ensure sustainability of the organization and implementation of key activities
- OBJECTIVE 2: To provide leadership in coordinating and setting priorities for the public health community in South Africa and beyond
- OBJECTIVE 3: To form a collective voice to influence policy and advocate for public health
- OBJECTIVE 4: To nurture and develop public health advocates through capacity building and skills development
- OBJECTIVE 5: To provide a platform for public health practitioners for networking and knowledge sharing



## Membership Strategy

- Developed proposal May 2015
- For finalization at PHASA Lekgotla Nov 2015
  - Categories of membership
  - Term of membership
  - Membership fees
  - Membership process: online payment and renewals
  - Member benefits
  - Membership Drive



## WFPHA and APHA

- Prof Rispel remains on governing council of the WFPHA
- One of two African PHA representatives
- Chair, Global Health Equity Working Group
- Dr F Senkubuge represent PHASA at APHA
- Meeting March 2015 at WFPHA, India
- African Public Health Student's Assembly (AfPHASA) adopted formally as a special interest group
- Discussed funding of AFPHA through PHA membership fees
- Next AGM in Nigeria in 2016




## Other partnerships

- American Public Health Association
- Canadian Public Health Association
- Other national PHAs
- Association of Schools of Public Health in Africa
- College Preventive Medicine – USA
- SAMA
- SASOP
- WPHNA



## PHILA Awards

- Lifetime Achievement Awards presented to Prof D Sanders and Prof William Pick at 2014 conference.
- Award Committee:
  - Chaired – Dr T Naledi
  - Members: Prof L Rispel, Dr J Moorman, Prof S Mogotlane, Ms M Mokonoto, Mr T Masilela



## World Congress on Public Health



14<sup>th</sup>  
 World Congress on Public Health  
 Healthy People - Healthy Environment  
 February 11-15, 2015 • Kolkata, India  
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- Attended by five PHASA members
- Hosted session "Universal coverage and the public health workforce: sharing BRICS innovations"
- Co-facilitated policy advocacy workshop "Translating Academic Research to Achieve Healthy People and Healthy Environments: Politics, Power and Practice."



**AFRICA HEALTH** 5-7 May 2015  
Gallagher Convention Centre, Midrand, Johannesburg, South Africa

**Public Health Conference**  
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May - Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May

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The conference is held in association with the Public Health Association of South Africa (PHASA). The first 10 people who register to the Public Health Conference will have their subscription to PHASA sponsored by Africa Health for the upcoming year. This is a first come, first served basis. [REGISTER NOW!](#)

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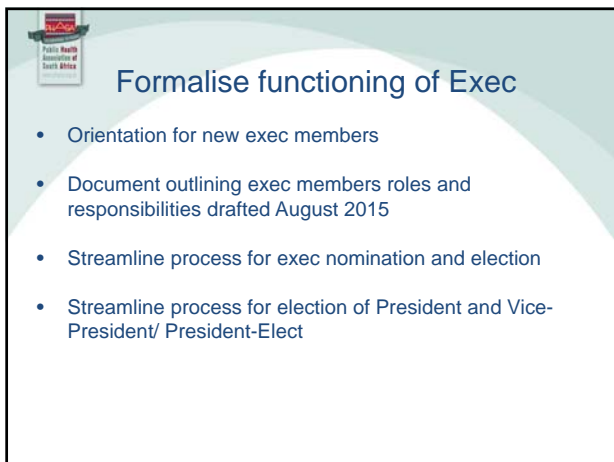
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- First year to hold a Public Health Conference.
- Number international and national speakers (including MEC for Health) presented on four topics
  - Universal Coverage
  - Infectious Diseases
  - Non Communicable Diseases
  - Leadership
- 250 delegates over the two days.



### Website, communications and social mobilisation

- Four newsletters - 2,858 people
  - Conference
  - MDGs and SDGs
  - Integrative /complementary / alternative and traditional medicine
  - NHI
- Seven updates on what has been published on the PHASA website disseminated
- Site has been visited 28,000 times in past four months
- A page with links to key stakeholders added
- New job board
- Three Special Interest Groups have their own forum



### Formalise functioning of Exec

- Orientation for new exec members
- Document outlining exec members roles and responsibilities drafted August 2015
- Streamline process for exec nomination and election
- Streamline process for election of President and Vice-President/ President-Elect



### Fund raising

- Thanks to Atlantic Philanthropies
- Financial support to conference - R250,000
- Notably enabled us to give bursaries to provincial research coordinators to PHASA

Thabo Molebatsi	NDoH
Bridget Ikalafeng	Gauteng
Zonwabele Merile	Eastern Cape
Sabela Petros	Western Cape
Sebeela Tumelo	Free State
Jerry Sigudla	Mpumalanga
Shamila Latif	North West
Herman Willense	Northern Cape
Elizabeth Lutge	KwaZuluNatal
	Limpopo



### MRC lectureship programme

- Professors Q and S Abdool Karim established trust with MRC
- Recipients SAPA and PHASA – start in 2016
- Aim is to sponsor key note speakers / lectureship programme at PHASA
- Named for Mervyn Susser and South African activist, doctor and epidemiologist and his wife Zena Stein



### Key challenges for the organisation

- Long term financial sustainability of the organisation and the need to focus on fund raising
- Take organisational development and growth to next level to meet objectives
  - Permanent staff / office
  - Increase advocacy role
- Broader partnerships
- PHILA Awards – nominations for Annual Award poor





### Way forward for 2016

- Partnerships for conferences
- Finalise strategic plan
- Formalise fund raising strategy




### Partnerships for conferences PHASA 2016

- University of Fort Hare in 2016
- Provinces in future conferences - combined PHASA conference and provincial Research Day. Include local universities

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[africahealth@indorma.com](mailto:africahealth@indorma.com)

- Option in 2016 to hold a two day conference on Mental Public Health in collaboration with SASOP



### WCTOH 2018

- 17th World conference on Tobacco or Health (WCTOH) in 2018 in Cape Town
- Consortium
  - NDoH, Centre for Tobacco Control in Africa (CTCA), PHASA, UCT, Makerere University, City of Cape Town
- Dr Flavia Senkubuge the past Vice- President of PHASA elected to chair the Local organising committee



### Lekgotla 2015

- Lekgotla will be held in November – 2 days.
  - Focus on membership and fund raising
  - Please contact Secretariat if there are any issues that you would like to be raised.



### THANK YOU

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