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Media Invite: UCT to host panel discussion on mental health in South Africa

03 October 2017 | 10h00-12h00 | Baxter Theatre, Rondebosch

The University of Cape Town's Alan J Flisher Centre for Public Mental Health (CPMH) will host a panel discussion on mental health in South Africa titled "Economy, Equality & Access to Mental Health Services".

The panel discussion intends to share expertise and experience on the political, economic, occupational and sociological aspects of caring for the mental health of South Africa.

Leading researchers from UCT, Stellenbosch University and the University of Manchester are scheduled to speak at the event. Highlights and key issues to be addressed include food insecurity and mental-ill health, mental health in the workplace, deinstitutionalisation as well as the link between poverty, equality and mental illness.

This panel discussion takes place at the beginning of World Mental Health Month and serves to commemorate World Mental Health Day the following week (10 October). World Mental Health Day is a day for global mental health education, awareness and advocacy against social stigma. This year's theme, set by the World Federation for Mental Health, is "Mental Health in the Workplace".

Notes to editors

All media representatives/journalists interested in attending the event are requested to RSVP on the [website](#) by 1 October 2017.

Media enquiries and interview requests can be directed to [Maggie Marx](#). Please see the CPMH [website](#) for further details about the event and speakers.

Please see the World Federation for Mental Health [website](#) for more information this year's World Mental Health Day.

INVITATION



Economy, Equality & Access to Mental Health Services

Join the Alan J Flisher Centre for Public Mental Health (CPMH) for a panel discussion on mental health in South Africa - the political, economic, occupational and sociological aspects of caring for the mental health of the nation.



Alan J. Flisher Centre for
Public Mental Health



FEATURING

Prof Ashraf Kagee as chair
(CPMH Co-Director at the University of Stellenbosch)
Prof Katherine Sorsdahl
(CPMH Co-Director at the University of Cape Town)
Ingrid Daniels *(Director of Cape Mental Health)*
Prof Lou-Marie Kruger *(University of Stellenbosch)*
Joanne Hart & Lucie Byrne-Davis
(University of Manchester)
Dr. Simone Honikman & Charlotte Mande Ilunga
(CPMH at the University of Cape Town)
Sumaiyah Docrat *(CPMH at the University of Cape Town)*

DATE

3 October 2017
10:00 - 12:00
Baxter Theatre,
Rondebosch,
Cape Town
*Refreshments to be
served afterwards*

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Read more about the
event and speakers at
www.cpmh.org.za/wmhd

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