## Dr. Munyadziwa Albert Kwinda



Dr Munyadziwa Albert Kwinda is the Ombudsman at the Health Professions Council of South Africa, a post he has occupied since March 2014. Before that he was a Medical Specialist (Family Physician) since July 2011, working for the Department of Health at Tshilidzini Hospital in Venda, the same hospital where he did his internship in 2003. He spent a total of 9 years at Donald Fraser Hospital in Limpopo, starting with his community service there, followed by a brief stint as acting Clinical Manager in 2003/2004, and then Clinical Manager from 2004-2011, becoming the youngest clinical/medical manager ever appointed in Limpopo. His exceptional achievements earned him the Award of Best Clinical Manager for Vhembe District for the 2007/8 financial year.

Dr Kwinda is very active and well known in Limpopo, particularly in the Vhembe district where he was seconded by the Limpopo Health MEC to head the NHI Pilot Project for the Vhembe District until 2014.

After matriculating at Phophi Secondary School, he obtained a Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of Venda in 1995, followed by an MBCHB at Natal University in 2002. In 2011 he obtained his M.Med Family Medicine from the University of Limpopo, and is nearly completing his MSc Med (Bioethics and Health Law) with the University of Wits.

His fervent desire for learning and growth is reflected in the diverse range of further qualifications the he accumulated over the decades, including:

Governance and Administration

Advanced Health Management Travel Medicine, and

Health financing; to name but a few

A charismatic leader with pastoral responsibilities in his social space, Dr. Kwinda has held a number of significant leadership positions, including several positions in the leadership structures of SAMA and the HPCSA, and is currently a member of the Medico-Legal Task Team of the National Department. In April 2010 he was a guest speaker of the Grand Round Presentation at Vancouver General Hospital, Canada.