

Dr. Liz Gwyther



Dr. Liz Gwyther has postgraduate qualifications in Family Practice and Palliative Medicine. She is the CEO of Hospice Palliative Care Association of South Africa (HPCA); incoming chair of the Worldwide Hospice Palliative Care Alliance (WPCA); and a director of the following organizations: African Palliative Care Association, e-hospice and Pain Society of South Africa. She is a member of the World Health Organization ad-hoc Technical Advisory Group for palliative and long-term care.

Dr Gwyther is a senior lecturer at the University of Cape Town where she heads the Palliative Care team within the School of Public Health and Family Medicine. She is the convener for the postgraduate programs in Palliative Medicine and is responsible for research supervision and support for publications of the postgraduate students. Her special interests are women's health and palliative care (in particular palliative care in HIV/AIDS) and human rights in health care. In 2007, she was awarded the SA Medical Association's Gender Award for Human Rights in Health and the SA Institute of Health Managers Leadership in Health Systems award.

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