

Prof. Yosuf Veriava



Qualified as a doctor at the University of the Witwatersrand in 1968 and completed internship in medicine and surgery at what was then called Coronation Hospital in 1969. Worked as a senior house officer in paediatrics at Baragwanath hospital from January to June 1970. Completed post graduate registrar training in Internal medicine at Coronation Hospital and was subsequently appointed as a specialist physician. With the amalgamation of Coronation and the J G Strijdom Hospital, continued as a specialist physician at that hospital. Was appointed as Chief Specialist at Helen Joseph Hospital (previously J G Strijdom Hospital) and academic head of the Department of Internal Medicine at

Wits in 2005. Occupied this position until retirement in 2008. He spent his total medical professional career in the South African Public Sector. In addition to these responsibilities, he occupied the position of Deputy Dean at the medical school and also acting CEO at Helen Joseph Hospital. Presently working in the Faculty of Health Sciences in the School of Clinical medicine at Wits, and Centre for Rural Health. Was the Chairperson of the Advisory Boards of the Adler Museum of the History of Medicine and presently the chairperson of the Advisory Board of the Steve Biko Centre for Bioethics at the University of the Witwatersrand. Since 2012, he has been appointed by the Minister of Health as the Chairperson of the Council for Medical Schemes. He is also the Chairperson of the Ministerial Advisory Committee on Organ transplantation, the convener of the Academic review Committee for the medical training of students at Cuban Universities, part time consultant in Internal Medicine at Helen Joseph Hospital and the Discovery Foundation Distinguished Visitor Programme for rural hospitals.

Received various awards relating to service and human rights activities. Was awarded an Honorary Doctorate by the University of the Witwatersrand in 2009. He has approximately 50 publications relating to clinical as well as other aspects of medicine.