

NARRATIVE CURRICULUM VITAE: GUIN LOURENS

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She is a FIRRH and FINLO research grant holder and Ukwanda Centre for Rural Health in Global Health research fellow. Her research programme focuses on the implementation of quality healthcare management best practices in order to promote patient safety; staff wellness and technical quality, particularly in healthcare organisations under construction or health systems undergoing change.

She has written a chapter in the book 'Post graduate studies in South Africa-surviving and succeeding' and published in journals with healthcare management and educational foci.

Provincially her service leadership involves chairing the Paarl hospital facility board and serving as a director on the board of Bergzicht, a NGO advocating for unlocking youth employment.

Nationally, Guin is an executive board member of the Rural Health Advocacy Board, National chairperson of the Rural Nursing South Africa (RUNURSA), and member of Nursing Education Association (NEA).

Internationally, she is a member of Chi-Omicron Chapter for Sigma Teta Tua International Honor Nursing Society (STTI), and was recognised by the International Council of Nursing (ICN) as a voice to lead health in 2017. Furthermore she is part ISQua, an international initiative that focusses on patient safety and quality of care.