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# **GLOBAL HEALTH WEBINAR SERIES**

Professor René English, Executive Head of the Division of Health Systems & Public Health and Acting Head of the Department of Global Health at Stellenbosch University, cordially invites you to a webinar on

### ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY OVER TIME AND PLACE THROUGH AN ECOSYSTEMIC APPROACH: A GLOBAL HEALTH MATTER

1 CPD Point in Level 1

8th June 2023 Thursday | 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm (JOIN ONLINE HERE)

## MODERATOR

Dr Surona Visagie Centre for Disability & Rehabilitation Studies (CDRS) Stellenbosch University

#### **SPEAKERS**

### Elana Solomon



Occupational therapist: Mary Kihn school.

*Title: Lived experience: Unlocking potential with AT and ecosystemic interaction* 

#### About the Speakers:

**Elana Solomon** holds a Master's degree in Human Rehabilitation Studies from the University of Stellenbosch. She currently works for the Western Cape Education Department as a school-based Occupational Therapist at the same primary school she attended as a child, Mary Kihn school. Elana has bilateral profound hearing loss and has been an assistive device user for close to three decades. She currently wears a cochlear implant device which enable her to hear and communicate and to achieve her goals in class, work and on the sports field.

### Erna van der Westhuizen



Shonaquip Social Enterprise: Strategic Oversight: Impact. Learning & Leadership team *Title: Facilitating an ecosystemic approach in AT services* 

Erna van der Westhuizen an enrolled PhD student at SU. She has worked at the Shonaquip Social Enterprise for the past 7 years and is a social process & inclusion thought leader. Her passion lies in solving complex social problems, particularly addressing the disownment of the voice of rights holders. Through designing innovative tools, social and organisational participatory processes, she facilitates social change aiming at owning and reclaiming personal and collective narratives.

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