The Primary Health Care Directorate & SASH invite you to attend the first Medical and Health Humanities Seminar in the Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Cape Town on

**Considering AIDS and Emotion**

**Speakers:** Matt Cook & Phumzile Nywangi

**Date:** Wednesday 7 September 2016

**Time:** 5.00pm – 6.30 pm

**Venue:** Post Grad Room 1, Barnard Fuller, UCT Health Sciences Campus

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**Matt Cook:**

**AIDS and an Archive of Emotion**

Matt’s paper explores the AIDS crisis in the UK through the prism of the history of the emotions. It draws chiefly on the astonishing testimonies of around 600 largely straight men and women gathered through the Mass Observation project in 1987 and finds a complex emotional landscape which had a pressing impact on everyday lives and on public health policy.

Matt is Professor of Modern History at Birkbeck College, University of London. His books include London and the Culture of Homosexuality (2003), A Gay History of Britain (ed. 2007), and Queer Domesticities (2014). He is currently working on the AIDS crisis in the UK project and on provincial queer lives.

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**Phumzile Nywangi:**

**The emotional and political landscape of HIV diagnosis and treatment in South Africa from 1990s**

Pumzile’s talk traces the changes in the emotional and political landscape of HIV diagnosis and treatment in South Africa between the 1990s until present day. In particular, he will speak about how the socio-political context shapes individual experiences of HIV.

Pumzile works in the Division of Social Behavioural Sciences on the iALARM Project that explores men’s movement through the HIV cascade. The project is in partnership with Sonke Gender Justice. Pumzile has extensive experience in HIV activism, including in starting and running HIV support groups for men between 2005 and 2010.