



Vice-Chancellor, Dr Max Price,
has pleasure in inviting you to the inaugural lecture of

Professor Jo Wilmshurst

Department of Paediatrics and Child Health
Head of Paediatric Neurology (Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital)
Faculty of Health Sciences

Topic:

“Reversing the Brain Drain”

Wednesday, 30 July 2014 at 17h30

**Student Learning Centre Lecture Theatre, Anatomy Building
Faculty of Health Sciences
University of Cape Town**

Admission: Free

Guests to be seated by 17h15

Please RSVP by **23 July 2014** for catering purposes to: Jolene Steenkamp
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Head of Paediatric Neurology at the Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital, University of Cape Town, since 2000. Professor Jo Wilmshurst became a full professor at UCT in 2013.

After graduating MB BS from Guy's Hospital Medical School, London, in 1989, Wilmshurst trained at Guy's Hospital and Great Ormond Street Hospital for Sick Children, before becoming an accredited paediatric neurologist in 1999. She worked for a year in Westmead Children's Hospital, University of Sydney until 2000, when she re-located to Cape Town.

She is a member of the executive board of the Paediatric Neurology and Development Association of Southern Africa (PANDA-SA) and the African Child Neurology Association (ACNA). She was Secretary of the International Child Neurology Association from 2010-2014 and has just been re-elected to serve another term (2014-2018). She is chair of the Commission on Paediatrics for the International League Against Epilepsy (ILAE) (2013-2016) and education officer for the Commission on African Affairs. She is director of the African Paediatric Fellowship Programme – a training programme run under UCT's the auspices and which aims at developing skills in paediatric doctors from across Africa. She is an associate editor for the journal *Epilepsia* and serves on the editorial board for the JICNA, the Journal of Child Neurology, Epileptic Disorders, Seizure and is a regional co-editor for Epileptology.

She has over 60 peer-reviewed publications and completed her MD thesis on “Peripheral Neuropathies in Childhood” in 2009. She has interests in rare neurological disorders, such as neuromuscular diseases and neurocutaneous syndromes, and common high impact diseases, such as epilepsy and neuroinfections.

Professor Wilmshurst is passionate about developing improved care for children with neurological diseases in South Africa through the specialist services in her centre; the training of health care specialists; the development of rational management templates which are viable in the African context; and the adaption of international recommendations.

Prof Jo Wilmshurst
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