



## **SEMINAR SERIES**

The Division of Immunology (NHLS) invites you to attend the following seminar

### Speaker Professor Monika Esser

#### **Title**

Primary Immunodeficiency diagnosis - clinical and laboratory alerts

#### Venue

South African Bone Marrow Registry Seminar Room J57, GSH Old Out-Patient's Building





# Date and Time Tuesday, 25 August 2015 13.00 – 14.00 pm

Prof Monika Esser is a Paediatric Rheumatologist with a special interest in Primary Immunodeficiencies and immune dysregulations. She is the head of the diagnostic NHLS Immunology Unit at Tygerberg Hospital and the consultant in charge of the Paediatric Immunology and Rheumatology Services at Tygerberg Children's Hospital, Stellenbosch University. She coordinates the registrar rotation in Immunology, the Rheumatology Certificate sub speciality and the Immunology Intern Scientist Training. She is founder and board member of the African Society of Immunodeficiencies (ASID) since 2009 and past president of the society. She is a board member of the SAIS since

the first congress. She chairs the ALLSA Primary Immunodeficiency work group and serves on the medical advisory boards of the South African Primary Immunodeficiency Network (PiNSA) and the International Patient Organization for Primary Immunodeficiencies (IPOPI) and is scientific advisor for their congresses. Research interests and related publications include the molecular investigation of genetic immune deficits, the South African primary immunodeficiency registry, immune responses of HIV exposed infants and HIV community related research as chairperson of the NGO HOPE Cape Town Association.