## Do you need Statistical Support?

All requests for statistical support should be directed through the Clinical Research Centre (CRC). The FHS has appointed a Biostatician, **William Msemburi**, who will join the CRC in **January 2016**. In the interim, we do offer statistical support, and will refer you to a more senior biostatician if necessary.

## **Self-learning options**

From time to time there are short courses or workshops that come along, so please keep your eye on the **Faculty Info Mailer**.

There are some **free** self-learning options available:

- ICTS (in collaboration with the Libraries) runs introductory workshops on SPSS. The next workshop will only be next year. (check out <u>http://www.icts.uct.ac.za/modules.php?name=cbs</u> for the training calendar)
- ICTS also subscribes to Lynda.com, which means that all students and staff have free access to this useful collection of video-tutorials. There is one entitled "SPSS Statistics Essential Training" that is helpful. (see <a href="http://www.icts.uct.ac.za/modules.php?name=News&file=article&sid=7534">http://www.icts.uct.ac.za/modules.php?name=News&file=article&sid=7534</a>)
- UCT offers a number of Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs). These are free online courses with no entry requirements and are not for university credit. (see <u>http://www.cilt.uct.ac.za/cilt/moocs-uct</u> for more)

Courses launching soon (will be available from 'some time in November'):

- Understanding clinical research: behind the statistics *Dr Juan Klopper (Surgery)*
- Applied statistical modelling focusing on experimental design *Professor Res Altwegg* and Dr Birgit Erni (Statistical Sciences)
- On **Coursera.org** there is an online course entitled "Statistical Reasoning for Public Health 1: Estimation, Inference, & Interpretation". (check out <u>https://www.coursera.org/course/statreasoning</u> - they have many other statistics courses as well)

## **CONTACT THE CRC**

When you get to the point where you have specific questions pertaining to your study/analysis plan, you are welcome to set up an appointment with the <u>Data Analyst at the CRC</u> and they will help you if they can, or refer you to a Biostatistician if necessary.

