



PSSA Young Pharmacists' Group

Pharmaceutical Society of South Africa



Present and future involvement of the YPG

Innovation project 2016

A highlight of the 2017 meeting was the presentation by the winner of last year's innovation project, Jaco Schoeman, who spoke of his project called "My health, my responsibility: improving patient adherence and compliance in the public and private sector".



Jaco Schoeman



Sham Moodley

Sham Moodley presented on behalf of Koovesni Suklal, the 2016 runner-up, on the project "Improving medication adherence in the private health sector with the New Medicine Service (NMS)".



Stephanie de Rapper

The winner of this year's innovation project, Stephanie De Rapper, was

announced. She will be presenting her project at next year's conference.

YPG representation on national and regional committees

At a national level, during the AGM, Gawie Malan was elected as an additional member to represent YPG on the PSSA executive committee (Exco). SAAHIP Exco has re-elected Eulanda Tshivhidzo as YPG representative. At branch level, YPG has representation across the country.



Gawie Malan



Eulanda Tshivhidzo

Pre-Registration Workshop for Interns

Objectives:

1. To give support to pharmacist interns as far as pre-registration exams are concerned

- 2. To have interns from different sectors interacting and networking in order to easily assist each other in solving questions
- 3. To empower young pharmacists in all areas of pharmacy
- 4. To encourage interns to participate and be part of the broader structure of PSSA

• YPG together with the PSSA and SAAHIP organised pre-registration workshops in order to meet these objectives and assist our young pharmacists. Interns were given the opportunity to ask questions and were tasked to be prepared when coming to the workshop. The feedback received indicated that the workshops were a success and prepared the interns for their exam, as well as preparing them for the working environment. Suggestions were

made on ways to further improve these workshops. It is envisaged that YPG, PSSA and SAAHIP will continue to hold the workshops.

Projects for 2018

- 1. YPG innovation project will continue
- 2. Mentoring project
- 3. Quizup
- 4. CWP project

All these projects will be driven by the project co-ordinator. We are excited in growing as a group and taking pharmacy forward. We are committed to helping young pharmacists to grow, because they are the future leaders of the profession! By utilising our colleagues in the PSSA, we can learn from their experience and knowledge!