



**Above picture:** Participants during a session at the Train the Clinical Trainers (TCT)

The Department of Family Medicine is focused on improving the quality of teaching that it provides through its programs.

On 11th– 15th September the Department in partnership with the University of Stellenbosch and the Royal College of General Practitioners hosted a

5-day course called the Train the Clinical Trainers (TCT). This training was focused on capacity building of clinical trainers and teachers in the context of training postgraduate registrars in Family medicine. The course had 21 participants from 8 Departments and district hospitals and there were 6 trainers from Malawi, South African and UK.



**Above:** Teaching in progress

There are several ways the department works to improve the quality of education that we provide through our training programs.

In partnership with the College of Medicine Education and Training Office (COMETO) is piloting

the peer assessment feedback form usage.

This will be a mechanism in which Lecturers will be providing feedback to their colleagues on how well they are teaching so that they can become even better!



**Above:** Stakeholders attending the Meeting

In October (26-27) this year a stakeholders meeting was held to discuss and assess the current state of Non Communicable

Diseases (NCD) practice in the country. Additionally, participants discussed ways in which NCD research should be conducted.

This meeting was organized by representatives from the

Michigan State University department of Family Medicine in partnership with our department.



**Above:** Department staff on our table at the Research Dissemination Conference



**Above:** Faculty staff, Registrars and WHIG representatives at the dinner

The Research Support Center organized the annual 21st Research Dissemination Conference.

Our department took part by showcasing research projects that are being done in our department and also used this opportunity to

market our programs to potential registrars and other departments at the college.

This conference took place on 24-25 November 2017. Two of our registrars also showcased their individual projects as poster presentations.

On 9th November we received a special visit from WHIG.

The visit was done through two Family doctors also known as Huisarts (in dutch).

Later they hosted our department faculty staff and postgraduate registrars to an

amazing dinner which was also a great opportunity for the department to get together.

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