

The **26th WITS Biennial Surgical Symposium** will be once again held in the Auditorium in the School of Public Health from the 2-4 July 2018. Our theme this year reflects our own engagement with a range of issues that define the changing surgical landscape. "Advancing Surgical practice through new Technology" is not only about the technological advances but also how we as a middle income country can engage with these advances and ensure that we incorporate them into daily practice in a safe, high quality and evidenced based manner.

The Department of Surgery remains committed to the continued professional development of the profession and to ensure that those of you who attend the symposium get the most out of the time you take out of your busy clinical work. We are always looking for innovative ways to provide you with the information and so will be using new and innovative techniques to deliver our messages.

## **INTESTINAL FAILURE SYMPOSIUM**

Date: Sunday 1 July

Time: 08h30 (Registration), and the workshop will take place 09h00-13h00, followed by lunch

Venue: 9th Floor, Department of Surgery, WITS (Van Blerk Auditorium)

Cost: R 300, includes lunch

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Register for the Intestinal Failure Symposium ONLY- [Click Here](#)

Draft Programme: (Presented by Prof Carolynne Vaizey, Drs Surrridge, Puttergil, Plani, Bebington)

Case study

- Intestinal failure: causes and classification
- The South African load: acute IF and why few patients reach chronicity
- The IF Specialist Unit including home parenteral and enteral nutrition
- Medical management of high output fistula and stomas
- Surgical approach to the non-resolving enterocutaneous
- Surgical management of short bowel syndrome
- Surgical management of functional IF
- Abdominal wall reconstruction: timing, preparation and techniques