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**Course Programme**  
**The Provision of Expert Opinion & Evidence  
as a Health Professional**

presented by Burns-Hoffman Consulting

**21 to 23 November 2018**

**UCT Faculty of Health Sciences**

(08h30 – 16h30)

Day	Time	Topic	Presenter
Day one	08h30 – 10h30	Introduction to the Constitution of South Africa and an introduction to constitutional damages	Paul Hoffman SC
	10h30 – 10h45	<i>Tea Break</i>	
	10h45 – 12h45	Civil and criminal procedure including case law discussions	The Honourable Mr Justice Ian Farlam
	12h45 – 14h00	<i>Lunch</i>	
	14h00 – 15h15	The Law of Delict - with specific focus on professional medical negligence	Adv Christopher Shone
	15h15 – 15h30	<i>Tea Break</i>	
	15h30 – 16h30	Law of Delict continued and case law discussions, highlighting the role of the expert witness	
Day two	08h30 – 10h30	A unique program for day two and the morning of day three will be handed out at the start of day two. A later end time may be required depending on the number of attendees on the course in order to accommodate as much practical training as possible.  Practical expert witness training <sup>1</sup>	Jannie van der Merwe SC Adv Paul White
	10h30 – 10h45	<i>Tea Break</i>	
	10h45 – 12h45	Practical expert witness training	
	12h45 – 14h00	<i>Lunch</i>	
	14h00 – 15h15		

<sup>1</sup> Practical expert witness training includes: when evidence is considered expert evidence; what the role of the expert witness is; understanding the brief; what lawyers seek in the expert report; preparing for court; consulting with counsel; the joint minute; giving evidence; examination-in-chief and cross-examination; in-the-box examination-in-chief and cross-examination as a plaintiff's and defendant's expert; review of performances.



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Day three	08h30 – 10h30	Practical expert witness training	Jannie van der Merwe SC Adv Paul White
	10h30 – 10h45	<i>Tea Break</i>	
	10h45 – 13h00	Practical expert witness training	
	13h00 – 14h00	<i>Lunch</i>	
	14h00 – 15h15	Report writing skills	Elise Burns-Hoffman
	15h15 – 15h30	<i>Tea Break</i>	
	15h30 – 17h00	Report writing skills Wrap up Exam instructions	
			Participants will be assessed via the completion of a multiple-choice questionnaire on-line exam with a 2 hour allocation. The participants will be given a time period of 10 days post-training to write the on-line exam. No late submissions will be accepted. A pass rate of 70% is required. There are no supplementary exams.

