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WED 28 OCT 5 CPD POINTS	Day 1 – Moderator: H. Sunpath	Time (min)	Speaker / Chair	Organisation
13:30–16:00	SESSION 1: ART outcomes – Updates		N. Msomi	NHLS / UKZN
	1. KZN VL data – 2026	20	L. Gounder	NHLS / UKZN
	2. KZN 95-95-95 Statistics and Strategy: Improving VL Coverage and Completion	25	H. Sunpath	MEDICATE / UKZN
	Q&A	5		
	3. Surveillance of ARV Resistance in KZN	20	L. Gounder	NHLS / UKZN
	4. GRT Reflex Testing: Rationale and Practical Approach	35	R. Lessells	UKZN
	5. ART Regimen Choices: An Update	35	V. C. Marconi	Emory University
	Panel Discussion	10		
16:00–16:30	Tea Break			
16:30–19:00	SESSION 2: HIV Prevention		O. Radebe	WITS RHI
	6. Reducing Vertical Transmission to Children	35	S. Mnqayi	KZN DoH
	7. HIV PrEP with a Focus on Long-Acting Options: Past, Present, and Future	35	M. Siedner	Harvard / AHRI
	8. KZN PrEP Strategy with Focus on Lencapavir Roll-Out	35	P. Zama-Mthembu	KZN HAST Unit
	9. U=U Campaign	35	S. N. Mokoena	Aurobindo
	Panel Discussion	10		
THU 29 OCT 9 CPD Points	Day 2 – Moderator: M. Y. S. Moosa			
08:00–10:30	SESSION 3: KZN Mental Health & Substance Abuse		L. T. Thela	UKZN / DOH
	10. Integration of Mental Health at PHC-Level and Referral Pathways	35	Z. P. Luvuno	CRH - UKZN
	11. Pharmacotherapeutics of Common Clinical Presentations	35	K. Narsi	DoH / UKZN
	12. Model for Providing Specialist Mental Health Outreach to District-Level Health Facilities	35	K. Ruthanam	KZN DoH

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	13. Breaking the Cycle: Strategic Substance Abuse Interventions for a Healthier KZN	35	M. Charles	KZN DoH
	Panel Discussion	10		
10:30–11:00	**Tea Break**			
11:00–13:00	**SESSION 4: Advanced HIV Disease (AHD) Part 1 – Expanding the Reach**		**W. D. F. Venter**	**WITS Ezintsha**
	14. Overview of NDoH AHD Guidelines	35	J. Wessels	UP / NDoH
	15. Challenges at the PHC/CHC in Identifying and Managing AHD Clients	35	T. Zikalala	AHF
	16. Using Community Engagement to Strengthen the HIV Care Continuum in SA	35	C. Ordóñez	Emory – Rollins School of Public Health
	Panel Discussion	15		
13:00–14:00	**Lunch**			
14:00–16:00	**SESSION 5: AHD Part 2 – Case Conference**		**B. I. Gosnell**	**UKZN**
	17. Maternal Mortality: Focus on Non-Pregnancy-Related Conditions	35	N. Moran	KZN DoH
	18. Paediatric Up-Referral Pathway and the Hospitalised Patient	35	P. Padayachee	UKZN
	19.Tuberculosis in AHD: Navigating the Clinical Minefield	35	M. Y. S. Moosa	UKZN (ID)
	Panel Discussion	15		
16:00–16:30	**Tea break**			
16:30–18:00	**SESSION 6: AHD Part 3 – Implementation**		**V. C. Marconi**	**Emory**
	20. End-of-Life Palliative Care for PLWH	35	T. Govender	Highway Hospice
	21. Overview of Concepts in Mentorship Strategy	15	C. Wang	KZN RTC
	22. Pilot AHD Project in eThekwini: Tools & Staff Available	30	H. Sunpath	MEDICATE / UKZN
	Q&A Session	10		
FRI 30 OCT 6 CPD points	**Day 3 - Moderator: R. Lessells**			
8:00–9:20	**SESSION 7: Health Systems Strengthening**		**M. Siedner**	**KRISP / UKZN**
	23. Impact of external funding cuts in SA	35	W. D. F. Venter	WITS Ezintsha

	24. Improving linkage and retention in care – Second 95	35	A. Castle	Harvard / AHRI
	Panel Discussion	10		
9:20–10:45	**Session 8: TB**		**M. Y. S. Moosa**	**UKZN**
	25. TB diagnostics update	35	N. Mvelase	UKZN / NHLS
	26. KZN TB Mortality stats	10	H. Sunpath	MEDICATE / UKZN
	27. Reducing TB mortality – What's priority	35	K. Naidoo	CAPRISA
	Panel Discussion	10		
10:45–11:15	**Tea Break**			
11:15–13:15	**SESSION 9: SRH**		**R. Mngqbisa**	**ECF**
	28. CA Cervix: National Eradication Plan	40	T. Sebitloane	UKZN
	29. Adolescent Pregnancy	20	G. Mfeka-Nkabinde	UKZN
	30. Starting Conversations with Teenagers	20	M. Mthembu	UKZN
	31. KZN Strategic Plan to Manage Teenage Pregnancy (2025–2029)	25	Z. Ncawne	CGE - KZN Provincial office
	Closing Remarks	15		KZN HAST / AWACC Team
	Lunch			

TOTAL: 20 CPD POINTS, INCLUDING 1 ETHICS POINT

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