



## G-ECHO

### GI Hepatology **ECHO** of sub Saharan Africa

Thursday afternoon WEEKLY interactive case webinars

**Thursday 19 November 2020**

### Inflammatory Bowel Disease

Chair: Prof Gill Watermeyer

#### Ulcerative Colitis in an adolescent

Dr Dirkie Claassen

Tygerberg Hospital, Stellenbosch University

#### The medical management of severe acute Ulcerative Colitis

Dr R Atreya, Friedrich-Alexander-University of Erlangen-Nürnberg, Germany

#### The surgical management of severe acute colitis

Dr W Bemelman, Academic Medical Centre, The Netherlands



Dr Dirkie Claassen



GMT	14:00
West Africa	15:00
Central/Southern Africa	16:00
East Africa	17:00

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The recordings of these webinars will be available on the Gastro Foundation website

In 2018 the introduction of the Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes (ECHO) model of tele-mentoring for the treatment of chronic viral hepatitis B and C was initiated by Professor's Wendy Spearman and Mark Sonderup in South Africa and facilitated by the Foundation. ECHO links the Cape Town Hub with spokes in Johannesburg (SA), Kumasi (Ghana), Lagos (Nigeria) and Addis Ababa (Ethiopia) on a monthly basis and participation has grown as it has matured. With the advent of COVID, the ECHO model has been modified to include weekly COVID-related meetings hosted by experts in the field of epidemiology and infectious diseases.

Now we plan to extend ECHO meetings to other aspects of Gastroenterology, beginning in September 2020 with G-ECHO incorporating a weekly programme which includes GI Endoscopy, Inflammatory Bowel disease (IBD), Patient Blood Management (PBM) and a MDT approach to the Screening and treatment of Liver cancer (HCC) in SSA. COVID related issues will be addressed by each sub-specialty.

The endoscopy program, in partnership with the World Endoscopy Organization (WEO), will include a series of talks hosted by WEO faculty on aspects of GI endoscopy relevant to the SSA continent.

**G-ECHO:** A proud initiative of the Gastroenterology Foundation of sub Saharan Africa in partnership with Project ECHO and the University of New Mexico.