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HIGHEST QUALIFICATION:

Diploma Oral Hygiene – with expanded function
2004 University of Witwatersrand
Registered as independent practitioner since 2015

CLINICAL WORK HISTORY:

Clinical practitioner in general private practice
2004 – current
Clinical practitioner in prosthodontics practice
2012 – current
Clinical assistant in maxillo facial practice
2004 – 2019

LECTURING HISTORY:

Presented to dental assistants, oral hygienists, sales representatives & pharmaceutical staff.
Lectures were related to implant maintenance, oral health, anatomy, practice management, dental assisting, instrumentation and terminology
2005 – current
Training of dental assistant students - Zimbabwe Academy of Dental Nursing
2018 – current
Lecturing at international conferences – South African Association of Osseointegration
3rd Conference 2018
South African Dental Association (SADA)
Conference Namibia 2019

OTHER EDUCATIONAL INVOLVEMENT:

Writing a training manual for sales staff of DentsplySirona and Inova Pharmaceuticals
2007

Radio interviews on Talk Radio 702 - educating the public on oral health
2018

Writing articles and answering questionnaires on oral health – Shape Magazine
2010

Opinion leader and product development on Perioscan – DentsplySirona
2007 – 2009

Brand ambassador - Listerine
2017

Contributor and panel discussion – Glamour Magazine
2017

Dental screening and education – Oral B
2016 - 2017

ORGANIZING OF DENTAL CONFERENCES AND CPD ACTIVITIES:

University of Pretoria's Bela Bela Conference
2005 – 2015 (every 2nd year)

Exco of The South African Society of Endodontics and Aesthetic Dentistry (Nomads)
2005 - current (annually)

Oral Hygienist Association of South Africa (OHASA) branch seminars
2007 – 2009

Women In Dentistry Dental Conference
2008

Exco of International Symposium for Oral Hygienists
2013

Study Group monthly CPD meetings
2014 – current

MEMBER OF DENTAL STUDY GROUPS:

Nomads
2005 – current

SOTA
2013 – 2018

Study Group 1
2014 – current

INVOLVEMENT WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS:

Gauteng chairperson of OHASA

2007 – 2009

SADA representative of OHASA

2007 – 2012

Gauteng representative of OHASA Exco

2007 – 2012

Vice chairperson of OHASA

2010 - 2012

Ambassador of South Africa at Career Fusion Dental Hygiene conference in Florida

USA 2010

A bit more about myself:

As a lecturer at a very glamorous Finishing School, my career made a 180 degree turn when I decided to give up modeling, make-up and etiquette rules for something less appealing: plaque, spit and bacteria.

My dental career started off as a dental assistant, loving every minute of my contribution in the dental surgery. I was happy to do this for about 11 years before I created an opportunity for myself to go to university at the very mature age of 31 years.

Apart from my clinical career and educational involvement I've been part of a charity outreach program taking information and knowledge to communities in rural areas, as well as to people with physical and mental disabilities.

I was a representative for another non-profit organization, doing health and wellness exhibitions. This gives people from all walks of life the opportunity to get free oral health education and screening, and an opportunity to ask questions related to their oral health.

Believes and thoughts I adhere to:

What most people see as obstacles, I choose to see as opportunities.

I want to make a difference in this world we live in - I want to be remembered for something.

I choose to be passionate about everything I do.

Opportunities arise all the time, some people just never dream, therefore they don't recognize opportunities presenting themselves.

I believe change is possible.

Improve what you can. Accept what you can't change.

Always show gratitude and appreciation.

Don't settle for less than what you believe you are worth.