



8. Health Studies/Medicine



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Working Group Session

You are cordially invited to the 2nd 2025 series of CGS-facilitated Catalytic Niche Area Working Group meetings. The theme for series 2 is “Catalytic Niche Area Intersections and Interdependencies: Mobilising the Power and Potential of MIT Research”, and this session will be dedicated to Health Studies. This series will tease out the value of multi-, inter-, and transdisciplinarity in catalytic niche area research. We will explore the intersections between catalytic niche areas, and we will focus on the scholarly richness and rigour that can emerge when approaching research topics in ways that take MIT seriously. Prof Van Niekerk will be presenting a talk titled “Violence, Injury and Social Asymmetries: Research Priorities and Opportunities for Collaboration”.

To anchor our discussion, please consult the following readings and visit the website below:

- Choi, B. C. K. and Pak, A. W. P. (2006). “Multidisciplinarity, Interdisciplinarity and Transdisciplinarity in Health Research, Services, Education and Policy: 1. Definitions, Objectives, and Evidence of Effectiveness” in *Clinical and Investigate Medicine* 29 (6):351-64.
- <https://yvparamed.com/>
- Mayosi, B. M., Lawn, J. E., Van Niekerk, A., Bradshaw, D., Karim, S. S. A., & Coovadia, H. M., for The Lancet South Africa team. (2012). *Health in South Africa: Changes and challenges since 2009*. Lancet, 380(9857), 5-19. [https://doi.org/10.1016/s0140-6736\(12\)61814-5](https://doi.org/10.1016/s0140-6736(12)61814-5)
- Seedat, M., Van Niekerk, A., Jewkes, R., Suffla, S., & Ratele, K. (2009). *Violence and injuries in South Africa: Prioritising an agenda for prevention*. Lancet, 374(9694), 1011-1022. [https://doi.org/10.1016/S0140-6736\(09\)60948-X](https://doi.org/10.1016/S0140-6736(09)60948-X)

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Tuesday, 3 June 2025
11:00 – 12:00

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& Ms Neliswa Jilimba

