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EDUCATION AND TRAINING

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH, Bethesda, USA
Visiting Fellow, Department of Bioethics (Sep 2009 to date)
UNIVERSITY OF BERGEN, Bergen, Norway
PhD Candidate, Centre for International Health (Aug 2007 to date)
JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY, Baltimore, USA
Research Ethics Trainee, Fogarty African Bioethics Training Program (Jan 2003 to 2007)
JOHNS HOPKINS BLOOMBERG SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH, Baltimore, USA
Masters in Health Sciences, Department of International Health, Social and Behavioural Interventions (Sep 2002 to May 2004)
UNIVERSITY OF NATAL, Pietermaritzburg, South Africa
BA Honours Cum Laude in Psychology, Department of Psychology (2001)
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH AFRICA (UNISA), Durban, South Africa
BA in Psychology and Sociology (1997 to 2000)

RESEARCH AND WORK EXPERIENCE

ETHICS, LAW & HUMAN RIGHTS GROUP (ELH), African Aids Vaccine Program
Consultant (June 2008-date)
Project Coordinator (Jan 2005-Jul 2007)
Researcher (May-Dec 2004)
HIV AIDS VACCINES ETHICS GROUP (HAVEG), South African AIDS Vaccine Initiative
Consultant (June 2008-date)
Consultant (Jan 2005-July 2007)
Researcher (May-Dec 2004)
Research Intern (Jan-May 2004)
FOGARTY AFRICAN BIOETHICS TRAINING PROGRAM, Johns Hopkins University
Behavioural Research Coordinator (Jan 2004 to Feb 2009)
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH POLICY AND MANAGEMENT, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health,
Qualitative Research Assistant (Oct-Dec 2003)
HIV AIDS VACCINES ETHICS GROUP (HAVEG), South African AIDS Vaccine Initiative
Research Assistant (Jan-Jul 2002)

CONSULTANCIES

WHO TEMPORARY ADVISOR, Karachi, Pakistan (15-16 Feb 2006)
Ethical Considerations related to the Provision of Care and Treatment in Vaccine trials
WHO TEMPORARY ADVISOR, Salvador, Brazil (12-15 Jun 2005)
Ethical Considerations related to the Provision of Care and Treatment in Vaccine trials
WHO TEMPORARY ADVISOR, Lausanne, Switzerland (26-28 Aug 2004)
Gender issues in HIV Vaccine Trials
AAVP TEMPORARY ADVISOR, Lausanne, Switzerland (2-3 Sept 2004)
Global Policy and Strategy for development of National frameworks in support of HIV vaccines in developing countries.

PUBLICATIONS

Articles in Peer-Reviewed Journals

Barsdorf, N., Maman, S., Kass, N., & Slack, C. (2009). Access to treatment in HIV prevention trials: perspectives from a South African community. *Dev World Bioeth* online early-view doi:10.1111/j.1471-8847.2009.00265.x.

Essack, Z., Koen, J., **Barsdorf, N.**, Slack, C., Quayle, M., Milford, C., Lindegger, G., Ranchod, C., & Mukuka, R. (2009). Stakeholder perspectives on ethical challenges in HIV vaccine trials in South Africa. *Dev World Bioeth* (in press).

Koen, J., Slack, C., **Barsdorf, N.**, & Essack, Z. (2008). Payment of trial participants can be ethically sound: Moving past a flat rate. *SAMJ*, 98(12), 926-931.

Milford, C., **Barsdorf, N.**, & Kafaar, Z. (2007). What should South African HIV vaccine trials do about social harms? *AIDS Care*, 19(9), 1110-1117.

Wassenaar, D., & **Barsdorf, N.** (2007). The ethical involvement of women in HIV vaccine trials in Africa: Discussion paper developed for the African AIDS Vaccine Program. *Women and Health*, 45(1) 37-50

Kass, N., Hyder, A., Ajuwon, A., Appiah-Poku, J., **Barsdorf, N.**, Elsayed, D., Mokhachane, M., Mupenda, B., Ndebele, P., Ndossi, G., Sikateyo, S., Tangwa, G. & Tindana, P. (2007). The structure and function of Research Ethics Committees in Africa: A case study. *PLoS Medicine*, 4(1), 1-6.

Wassenaar, D., **Barsdorf, N.**, & Richter, L. (2005). Gender and HIV vaccine trials: Ethics and Social Science Issues. *Harvard Health Policy Review*, 6, 124-130.

Barsdorf, N. W. & Wassenaar, D. R. (2004). Racial differences in public perceptions of voluntariness of medical research participants. *Social Science and Medicine*, 60, 1087-1098.

Book Review

Barsdorf, N. W. (2005). [Review of *Doing Social Psychology Research*], Glynis M. Breakwell (Ed.). *Psychology in Society (PINS)*, 31, 110-111.

Other Articles, Technical Reports & Community Development Materials

Slack, C., Stobie, M., & **Barsdorf, N.** (2007). Commentary 13.1: The limits of obligations to provide treatment in the South African Phase 1 HIV vaccine trials. In James V. Lavery, Christine Grady, Elizabeth R. Wahl, Ezekiel J. Emanuel (Eds.), *Ethical Issues in International Biomedical Research: A Case Book* (pp. 219-225). New York: Oxford University Press.

Barsdorf, N., Vardas, E., & Slack, C. (2005). Chapter 7: Protocol Development and Review for HIV Vaccine trials, HAVEG Resource Manual.

Barsdorf, N. & Vardas, E. (2005). Chapter 11: Monitoring HIV Vaccine trials, HAVEG Resource Manual.

Barsdorf, N. W., Slack, C. M., Wassenaar, D. R., Lindegger, G. C. (2003). *Social-behavioural and ethical issues in HIV preventive vaccine trials: Willingness to participate, Risk assessment and*

monitoring, Informed consent and Social harm monitoring (Discussion Document). Pietermaritzburg: HIV AIDS Vaccine Ethics Group (HAVEG).

PRESENTATIONS

Conference Presentations

Slack, C., Strode, A., **Barsdorf, N.**, Koen, J., & Essack, E. *Key interventions and key groups: Track 4 Social and economic sciences, human rights and ethics*. Plenary presentation at the 4th South African AIDS Conference, Durban South Africa, 3rd April, 2009.

Koen, J., Slack, C., Essack, Z., & **Barsdorf, N.** *Payment of trial participants can be ethically sound, but how do we move past a flat rate?* Poster presented at AIDS Vaccine Conference, Cape Town, South Africa, 13-15 October 2008.

Barsdorf, N. *Developing Resources for decision-making on some key ethical issues in the conduct of HIV vaccine trials*. Oral presentation at the WHO/UNAIDS satellite meeting at the 8th GFBR, Vilnius, Lithuania, 26 June 2007.

Koen, J., **Barsdorf, N.**, Slack, C. & Mukuka, R. *A review of models and practices for payment of participants in research, with recommendations for South Africa*. Poster presented at the 3rd SA AIDS Conference, Durban, South Africa, 5-8 June 2007.

Milford, C., **Barsdorf, N.**, Slack, C., Strode, A., & Xaba, X. *Social harms in HIV vaccine trials: Perceptions of South African stakeholders*. Poster at the XVI International AIDS Conference, Toronto, Canada, 13-18 August 2006.

Milford, C., **Barsdorf, N.**, & Lindegger, G. *Payment for HIV vaccine research participation: South African Stakeholders' perceptions*. Poster at the AIDS Vaccine 2006 Conference, Amsterdam, Netherlands, 29 August - 1 September 2006.

Barsdorf, N. *Report on the WHO and ELH-AAVP consultation on the inclusion of adolescents in HIV vaccine trials in Gaborone, Botswana, 16-18 March, 2006*. Oral presentation at the AAVP satellite meeting at the AIDS Vaccine Conference. Amsterdam, Netherlands, 29 August 2006.

Barsdorf, N. & Wassenaar, D. *Ethical Considerations in HIV Vaccine Trials: Strengthening Capacity in Africa*. Oral presentation at the European Commission Conference on Globalisation and New Epidemics: Ethics, Security and Policy Making. Brussels, Belgium, 23 May 2006.

Barsdorf, N. *Access to care and treatment: Report on consultations in Malawi and Salvador*. Oral presentation at the Third Forum of the African AIDS Vaccine Programme (AAVP), Yaoundé, Cameroon, 19 October 2005.

Barsdorf, N. & Wassenaar, D. *Ethical considerations in HIV vaccine trials*. Oral presentation at the AAVP satellite meeting at the AIDS Vaccine Conference, Montreal, Canada, 6 September 2005.

Barsdorf, N., Slack, C., Stobie, M., & Wassenaar, D. *Access to treatment: The South African Case*. Oral presentation at the Initiative for Vaccine Research (IVR) Global Vaccine Research Forum, Satellite Symposium: Ethical Considerations related to the Provision of Care and Treatment in Vaccine trials, Salvador de Bahia, Brazil 12 June 2005.

Wassenaar, D. & **Barsdorf, N.** *Public perceptions of health research and biotechnology*. 2005. Oral presentation at the WHO TDR Consultation, Ibadan, Nigeria.

Strode, A., Grant, C., Jaspan, H., Slack, C., Mushariwa, M., Smit, T., & **Barsdorf, N.** (2005). *Developing a legislative framework to protect child research participants*. Poster at the 2nd South African AIDS Conference, Durban, South Africa 7-10 June 2005.

Barsdorf, N., Wassenaar, D, *Responding to the Ethical-Legal challenges in HIV vaccine development in Africa: A report on the activities and plans of the Ethics, Law and Human Rights (ELH) Thematic Working Group (TWG) of the African AIDS Vaccine Program*. Oral presentation at the WHO-UNAIDS Consultation on Global Policy and Strategy for the development of National/Regional frameworks in support of HIV vaccine development in developing countries, 2-3 September 2004.

Barsdorf, N. W., Wassenaar, D. W., Richter, L. M. *Women, Science, Ethics and HIV Vaccine Trials*. Oral presentation at the WHO-UNAIDS Consultation on Gender, Age and Race Factors in HIV Vaccine-related research and clinical trials, Lausanne, Switzerland, 26-28 August 2004.

Stobie, M., Slack, C., and **Barsdorf, N.** *Access to treatment for HIV infection for phase I HIV vaccine trial participants: Obligations in a non-ideal world*. Oral presentation at the Ethics Society of South Africa's Inaugural conference, Johannesburg, 29 March, 2004.

Barsdorf, N. W., Wassenaar, D. R. *Racial differences in public perceptions of voluntariness of medical research participants*. Oral presentation at the University of Natal, 4th Research Conference, Pietermaritzburg, K. Z. N., South Africa. November, 2001.

Scientific Meetings & Invited Seminars

Koen, J., Slack, C., **Barsdorf, N.**, & Essack, Z. *Payment of clinical trial participants can be ethically sound: Moving past a flat rate*. Paper presented at the IRENSA course, Cape Town, South Africa, 25 August 2008.

Barsdorf, N. *Summary of Recommendations from the 2004 WHO-UNAIDS Consultation on Gender, Age and Race Factors in HIV Vaccine-Related Research and Clinical Trials*. Oral presentation at the WHO-UNAIDS-AAVP Technical Consultation: The Inclusion of Adolescents in HIV Vaccine Clinical Trials. Gaborone, Botswana, 16 March 2006.

Barsdorf, N., Wassenaar, D., Milford, C. *Key Training Needs for HIV Vaccine Trial Review identified by African RECs*. Oral presentation at the WHO-UNAIDS Ethics, Law, Human Rights and HIV Vaccine Development: 3rd Capacity Building Workshop for African Resource Persons (REC/IRB Members) Involved in Ethical Review. Dakar, Senegal, 25 August 2005.

Barsdorf, N. W., Wassenaar, D. R. *Racial differences in public perceptions of voluntariness of medical research participants*. Oral presentation for the South African Research Ethics Training Initiative (SARETI), Pietermaritzburg, South Africa, July 2004.

Maman, S., **Barsdorf, N.**, Wassenaar, D., Kass, N. *Sponsors obligation to HIV vaccine trial participants who seroconvert: Stakeholders' perceptions*. Oral presentation for the HIV Scientific Group, Africa Centre for Health and Population Studies, Nongoma, K.Z.N., South Africa, 9 March 2004.

Maman, S., **Barsdorf, N.**, Wassenaar, D., Kass, N. *Sponsors obligation to HIV vaccine trial participants who seroconvert: Stakeholders' perceptions*. Oral Presentation at Africa Centre for Health and Population Studies, Ethics Roundtable, Nongoma, K.Z.N., South Africa. February 19-20, 2004.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

SOUTH AFRICAN RESEARCH ETHICS TRAINING INITIATIVE (SARETI)

Course Coordinator, Critical Issues in Informed Consent (2004 to 2007)

Instructor, Critical Issues in Informed Consent: Application of “voluntariness” in Social Science Research: *Case study: Racial differences in public perceptions of voluntariness of medical research participants* (2004 to 2007; 2009)

Instructor, Critical Issues in Informed Consent: Summary session on Informed Consent (2004 to 2007)

UNIVERSITY OF KWAZULU-NATAL, Pietermaritzburg, School of Psychology

Supervisor, Postgraduate (Psychology Honours) thesis: Wendy Maitin-Casalis: “*What’s in a word?*” *The language, terminology, meaning and symbolism of stigma and HIV in rural KwaZulu-Natal* (Jan to July 2007)

Lecturer, Psychology 301: Advanced Research Methods: *Introduction to research ethics* (2004 to 2007)

Lecturer, Psychology 201: Introduction to Research: *Introduction to research ethics* (2004 to 2007)

Lecturer, Psychology Honours: Research Methodology: *Research Ethics* (Mar 2005)

Invited Lecture, Psychology Masters: *What makes clinical research ethical?* (16 Feb 2004)

UNIVERSITY OF KWAZULU-NATAL, Pietermaritzburg, Discipline of Sociology

Lecturer, Sociology Masters: Advanced Research methods: *Introduction to Research Ethics* (2005)

JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY, Bloomberg School of Public Health

Teaching Assistant, Graduate Summer Institute of Epidemiology and Biostatistics: *International Research Ethics* - Instructors: Nancy Kass, Andrea Ruff (Jul 2003)

UNIVERSITY OF NATAL, PIETERMARITZBURG, School of Psychology

Tutor, Psychology 201: *Statistics* (2001)

HONOURS AND AWARDS

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH, Department of Bioethics, Bethesda, USA

Visiting Fellow (2009-2011)

UNIVERSITY OF BERGEN, Bergen, Norway

PhD Scholarship (2007 to date)

THE JOHNS HOPKINS BLOOMBERG SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH, Baltimore, USA

Master’s Scholarship (2002-2004)

THE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY, Baltimore, Maryland, USA

Fogarty African Bioethics Training Programme (2003)

UNIVERSITY OF NATAL, Pietermaritzburg, South Africa

Graduation with distinction, Honours in Psychology (2001)

COURSES & SEMINARS ATTENDED

UNIVERSITY OF KWAZULU-NATAL

Basic Practical Zulu (Mar-May 2004)

JOHNS HOPKINS MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS, Professional Development Office, Baltimore, Maryland, USA

Biomedical Communications: Grants, Papers and Presentations (Aug-Dec 2003)

JOSEPH P. AND ROSE F. KENNEDY INSTITUTE OF ETHICS, Georgetown, DC, USA

The Intensive Bioethics Course XXIX: Brave New World? (Jun 2003)

DEPARTMENT OF CLINICAL BIOETHICS, National Institutes of Health & KENNEDY

INSTITUTE OF ETHICS, Georgetown University & PHOEBE R. BERMAN BIOETHICS

INSTITUTE, Johns Hopkins University
Joint Bioethics PhD Seminar: The Ethical Basis of Human Rights (Oct-Dec 2003)
FOGARTY AFRICAN BIOETHICS TRAINING PROGRAMME, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School
of Public Health
Research Ethics Seminar (Jan-Jul 2003)

REFEREES

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