

# Informed Consent in Healthcare: Patient Autonomy vs Medical Paternalism

*"A patient should be told whatever they want to know, not what the medical practitioner thinks they should be told"*  
(Montgomery v Lanarkshire, 2015)

**29 October 2024**  
**Time: 09.00-12.00hrs**

**ONLINE SYMPOSIUM**



**CPD ACCREDITED**

## SYMPOSIUM OVERVIEW

In healthcare, the principle of informed consent stands as a cornerstone, emphasizing the fundamental right of patients to make autonomous decisions about their healthcare. South Africa's legal framework places a strong emphasis on these principles, empowering patients with the right to make informed decisions about their medical care.

This webinar delves into the essence of patient rights, the significance of informed consent, and the legal mechanisms in place to ensure patients' comprehensive understanding and protection within the South African's clinical and legal landscape.

## SPEAKERS

### Dr Bradley Beira

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### SYMPOSIUM OBJECTIVES

Informed consent underpins patient autonomy. The objective of the symposium is to engage clinicians on the recent legal developments on informed consent in South Africa and beyond.

### BENEFITS OF ATTENDING

The symposium is designed to assist clinicians and medico-legal practitioners to appreciate the following:

- Explore the recent developments and changes in law in informed consent.
- Understand consent in an emergency medical context.
- Trauma-informed consent,
- Moving from informed consent to shared decision making,
- Evaluate knowledge, practice and barriers to informed consent among clinicians

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND

General practitioners,  
Specialist doctors,  
Nursing Executives,  
Nursing Managers,  
Occupational Health Physicians,  
Patient Safety Managers,  
Clinical Executives,  
Clinical Quality Managers,  
Hospital Managers,  
Hospital Risk Managers,  
Hospital Legal Managers,  
Learning & Development Facilitators,  
Clinical Tutors

### PROGRAM OUTLINE

#### 09.00-10.00

The change in law in informed consent (Montgomery v Lanarkshire Case, 2015)

- Patient autonomy vs medical paternalism
- Medico-legal case study

#### 10.00-10.05

Short break

#### 10.05-11.00

From informed consent to shared decision making in healthcare: Exploring the process of meaningful consent

- Equity in consent
- Shared decision making and healthcare law

#### 11.00-12.00

Evaluating knowledge, practice and barriers to informed consent among healthcare professionals in Southern Africa

#### 12.00

Close of symposium

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