## **Dr Carin Snyman**



After completing her MB ChB degree at the University of the Free State, **Dr Carin Snyman** travelled to the UK where, over the course of 2 years, she gained indispensable experience in caring for patients in a firstworld setting, prior to returning to her alma mater. During the past 15 years she has managed both in- and outpatients at Universitas Academic Hospital and has has risen to the rank of senior medical officer in the Division of Pulmonology, where she has been involved in numerous clinical trials

as well as academic research. She actively participates in the under- and postgraduate training programmes, being the 'go-to' person whenever a student or registrar has any question about a patient with a respiratory condition. Dr Snyman has become the quintessential face of pulmonology in the Free State province. In her leisure time, she enjoys a good run, but will mostly be found next to the sports field, swimming pool or theatre stage avidly encouraging and supporting any one of her three very talented children.

## **Dr Shaun Maasdorp**



**Dr Shaun Maasdorp** completed both his undergraduate and postgraduate medical studies at the University of the Free State (UFS), where he qualified as pulmonologist in 2012. He was appointed to the position of Head of Pulmonology at UFS and Universitas Academic Hospital in 2019. Additionally, he directs the clinical management of patients admitted to the multidisciplinary intensive care unit at Universitas Academic hospital, as well as directs the Critical Care training program

for postgraduate specialist trainees at UFS Despite being the only full-time consultant at the division of pulmonology, he serves on a number of committees of both the Faculty of Health Sciences and Universitas Academic Hospital, as well as the Free State Department of Health's Provincial Antimicrobial Stewardship Committee. While currently pursuing a PhD at UFS, he also regularly takes time to volunteer at local Parkrun events or goes camping with his family over weekends.

## **Dr Elize Louw**



Dr Elize Louw is a pulmonology fellow at Tygerberg Hosptital in Cape Town, South Africa. She obtained her undergraduate qualification at the University of the Free State in 2009. She completed her internship training and community service in the Northern Cape at the Kimberley Hospital

Complex. Dr Louw qualified as a specialist physician in 2017 at Stellenbosch University and has completed her MMed degree in internal medicine. Her interests include cardiopulmonary disease, ultrasound use in pulmonary medicine and post-tuberculous lung disease.

## **Dr André Nortje**



Dr André Nortje is a pulmonology fellow at Tygerberg Hospital. He did his undergraduate training at Stellenbosch University and graduated in 2003. His internship and community service took him to KwaZulu-Natal. He completed his specialisation in general internal medicine in 2012 and spent 7 years working as a specialist physician in private practice in Cape Town. André is a keen researcher and has completed a prospective study on the pharmacokinetics of TB drugs in critically ill patients. He also has a keen interest in interventional pulmonology. André is an accomplished guitar player and enjoys entertaining family and friends with music.