

# Speaker Presentation Profile

## 1. PRESENTER'S INFORMATION

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## 2. PRESENTER'S BACKGROUND

Dr Khotu is a member of the GIT Council and Deputy Chairperson, the Chief Information Officer for Health and currently the Director of the National Health Information System and responsible for the Information and Communication Technology Directorate. He is a registered Medical Practitioner and a Health Manager by training, with extensive Management Experience. Dr Khotu was one of the first black Medical Superintendents in the new South Africa, at the Coronation Hospital, and prior to that he was the Head of Department Casualty and Clinics for both the Coronation and Helen Joseph Hospitals, as well as being the Academic Head of Family Medicine. He has extensive experience in Trauma and Emergency Care. Dr Khotu is responsible for the Vital Registration and Telemedicine initiatives and the Electronic Health Record Programme. He served as a Member of the first SITA Board and subsequently on the HR committee.

## 3. TITLE/TOPIC OF YOUR PRESENTATION

**The Electronic Health Record for South Africa**

## 4. PRESENTATION SYNOPSIS/ABSTRACT

### *Brief summary of content and focus of the presentation:*

This session will review the history and evolution of patient-centered information systems in South Africa and offer insight into the road ahead and the future of the Electronic Health Record. It will also review the role of the department of Health and SITA in the Conceptual Design and Framework for the establishing of a longitudinal health record for all South Africans.

### *Key points for discussion include:*

- Citizen-centered and Patient-centered Information Systems – the interface
- Citizen Convenience – who is responsible and who is accountable
- The recorded failure of similar projects and the mitigating strategies
- The African context for 'standards'