

SAPRIN POPULATION SCIENCE WEBINAR

TOPIC

The ethics of Verbal Autopsy: towards trauma-informed practice?

SPEAKER

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This science focused forum is aimed at sharing and collaborating amongst the nodes and beyond. The topics are primarily Health and Demographic Surveillance System (HDSS) and Population Science focused. All interested are welcome to attend.

DATE

WEDNESDAY, 24 JUNE 2026

TIME

15:00 – 16:00



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Lucia D'Ambruoso is a social scientist with interests in social, political, and commercial determinants of health inequalities, participatory theory and method, health policy and systems, social policy, knowledge transfer, and health data and surveillance (verbal autopsy, circumstances of mortality, and social audit).

Her research is supported by research councils and philanthropic organisations applying social science approaches to strengthen public health policy and practice integrating mortality surveillance into health system governance, and applying learning, deliberative and consensus methods.

She co-founded the WHO Collaborating Centre for Verbal Autopsy at the University of the Witwatersrand, and develops workstreams on the ethical, social, and computational dimensions of mortality data. She also co-founded the Centre for Global Development at the University of Aberdeen, and contributes to postgraduate curriculum design, supervision, and global health policy advisory roles.