



Ms Yolanda Thambiran

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Ms. Yolanda Thambiran is the Deputy Director of Quality Assurance in the Infrastructure Development Planning Unit at the KwaZulu-Natal Department of Health. She has over 24 years of experience in the health sector, and has made significant contributions to improving healthcare service delivery.

Yolanda holds a Bachelor's Degree in Diagnostic Radiography and a Postgraduate Diploma in Public Health from the University of Pretoria, she is currently in pursuit of completing her Master's Degree in Public Health. She began her career with a Diploma in Diagnostic Radiography from the Durban University of Technology and has an advanced certificate in Mammography, a field where she has a deep passion. She has completed a number of short courses including a Diploma in Project Management and a certificate in Public Management and Governance.

Throughout her career, Yolanda has held various positions in radiography, from Junior to Chief Radiographer, including overseeing the Mammography Unit at Grey's Hospital. Her dedication and ambition to excel in quality healthcare led her to career path into quality assurance, where she has played a pivotal role in implementing National Core Standards at Hospital and District level.

One of Yolanda's greatest achievements has been her involvement in the Society of Radiographers of South Africa – Kwazulu Natal Branch, where she has served as Secretary and Chairperson. She was also part of the organising committee that brought the first International Radiographers' Congress to Africa.

Outside of her professional life, Yolanda enjoys spending time with her teenage daughter, reading, nature walks, and is passionate about mentoring and teaching.
