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PERSONAL INFORMATION

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Training: regulatory law, human rights law, policy analysis, qualitative research methods, corporate political activity, bioethics.
Research: My overarching research goal is improve the use of law as a health intervention. With increasing recognition of the legal determinants of health, my research investigates the ways in which law can inform the design and implementation of policy interventions to address obesity, the commercial determinants of health, pandemic responses and universal health coverage. In parallel, my scholarship seeks to develop, conceptualize and operationalize a right to public health and recast human rights – so often co-opted in opposition to public health – as enablers of public health.
Policy impact: My research has informed the development of South African regulations for simplified nutrition labelling, the COVID-19 vaccine compensation fund, and the transition out of the COVID-19 state of disaster. It has also been drawn upon to inform labelling laws in Kenya and Ghana. I have also achieved meaningful impact through litigation including to defend the constitutionality of a certificate of need scheme for private healthcare providers, bring class action litigation against coal mines and successfully challenge the parental leave scheme in South Africa. I also assisted in bringing an amicus intervention for UNAIDS in the challenge to the constitutionality of the Anti-Homosexuality Act.
Publications: 41 publications, including 15 first author publications, many in high-impact journals (e.g., *Nature Food*, the *Lancet*, the *International Journal of Human Rights* and the *Journal of Law, Medicine and Ethics*).
Teaching: Adjunct Professor at Mailman School of Public Health, Tutor at London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, Teaching Assistant at the Berman Institute. I have lectured as well provided teaching support as a tutor and teaching assistant in various institutions, and have supervised students at the School of Public Health, University of Western Cape and School of Public Health, University of Witwatersrand.
Service: Member of Berman Institute, IDARE Committee; Member of the Steering Committee Member for the Africa Health and Human Rights Network; Member of the PABASA, Pupillage and School Committee; Member of the High Court Committee, Johannesburg Society of Advocates

BIOGRAPHY

Safura Abdool Karim is a public health lawyer focusing on applications of the law and policy to improve public health. She is presently a postdoctoral researcher at the Berman Institute, Johns Hopkins University (and jointly with the Ethox Center, Oxford University). Her scholarship is on public health and human rights and her research converges on the legal determinants of health and rights-based approaches to prevention and control of both infectious and non-communicable diseases. Most of her work in infectious diseases has focused on vaccine equity and she has been called upon to advise a number of international bodies on issues of COVID-19 vaccine access in Africa. She also provided technical assistance in developing South Africa's COVID-19 regulations. With regard to non-communicable diseases, her research has included regulatory interventions such as sugar taxes, sodium restrictions in food and child-directed food marketing and simplified nutrition labelling, with the latter

two informing the development of draft regulations for the adoption of front of package warning labels in South Africa. She has led multi-country studies on sugary-beverage taxation and other obesity prevention measures using policy, legal and qualitative research methods. Blending this academic expertise with her legal practice in litigation, Safura has been involved in novel class actions related to occupational lung disease in mines and defending health-related laws including COVID-19 policies and a certificate-of-need requirement for private healthcare providers against constitutional challenges. Her cross-cutting expertise is reflected in her more than 40 peer-reviewed publications in leading legal and public health journals including the Lancet, Nature Food, South African Journal on Human Rights and the Journal of Medicine, Ethics and Law. She is involved in advisory committees for government departments, the Africa CDC and academic programs. She has been actively involved in translating her research into policy impact through dissemination and knowledge translation and developed this skill further during her fellowship with the Aspen New Voices programme. In summary, Safura is passionate about the law and its key role in human rights, global equity and making the world healthier, safer and better for all.

Summary of publication metrics:

Peer-reviewed journal articles: 41

H-index (Scopus): 11

Articles in the general media: 77

Op-eds: 15

Appointments to expert committees: 9

EDUCATION

2023	PhD (Law), *University of KwaZulu-Natal*
2020	Certificate in Advanced Competition Law, *University of Witwatersrand*
2017	LLM in Global Health Law, *Georgetown University Law Center*
2013	LLB, *University of Cape Town*

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS AND OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

Berman Institute of Bioethics, Johns Hopkins University

September 2023 – present

Berman Institute-Oxford Joint Postdoctoral Fellow
in Global Infectious Disease Ethics (GLIDE) (jointly with the Ethox Centre, University of Oxford)

Hecht-Levi Fellow
During the fellowship I am pursuing independent research on human rights at the intersection of global health and infectious diseases in collaboration with, and under the mentorship of, an interdisciplinary team of faculty at both the Berman Institute and Oxford University.
Programmatic Mentors: Gail Geller and Joseph Ali

Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University

January 2024 – present

Adjunct Assistant Professor, Heilbrunn Department of Population and Family Health
Responsibilities include teaching the course Human Rights Issues in Infectious Disease Emergencies.

School of Public Health, University of Western Cape

February 2023 – August 2023

Researcher, School of Public Health
As a part-time researcher, I undertook interdisciplinary research – drawing on legal epidemiology methods to conduct a baseline assessment of on-package marketing of food and compliance with proposed labelling regulations as well as an analysis of historical food industry activity in

South Africa utilizing policy analysis frameworks to understand the political economy of regulating food producers.

Johannesburg Society of Advocates

January 2023 – present — Advocate, Bridge Group of Advocates

Practice areas include public health and health law, constitutional law, environmental law and others. Matters include class action on coal miners lung disease, amicus briefs on the right to health and defending constitutional challenges to the National Health Act and mandatory COVID-19 vaccination policies.

January 2022 – December 2022 — Pupil Advocate, Group 621

I undertook pupillage and subsequently became a member of the Johannesburg Society of Advocates. Pupillage is a one-year training to become an advocate (the South African equivalent of a barrister). During my pupillage, I gained experience in strategic litigation and practice with a particular focus in regulatory law. Notable matters I worked on including advising the Department of Health on COVID-19 regulations, challenges to COVID-19 vaccine mandates in two universities as well as class actions on lung disease in miners, lead exposure and obstetric violence.

International Development Law Organization (IDLO)

November 2020 – January 2021 & December 2022 — Consultant

Between 2020 and 2022 I worked as a consultant for IDLO on the Human Rights and Healthy Diets Initiative which mapped and assessed the use of human rights-based approaches to the promotion of healthy diets and prevention of non-communicable diseases in East Africa. This project was a collaboration with Prof Amandine Garde.

SAMRC / Wits Centre for Health Economics and Decision Science (PRICELESS SA), Wits School of Public Health, University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg

September – December 2021 — Consultant

April 2019 – September 2021 — Senior Researcher

January – March 2019 — Senior Project Manager

At PRICELESS, I led the policy and legal stream of research – growing the work from a single lawyer to a team of six researchers across the disciplines of social science, law and policy. My responsibilities included leading, developing and managing grants comprising over ZAR18 million from the Canadian International Development Research Center and Bloomberg Philanthropies. I changed my appointment to a consultancy at PRICELESS in order to complete my PhD.

Constitutional Court of South Africa

January – December 2018 — Law Clerk to Justice Leona Theron

I served as a law clerk to Justice Leona Theron at the Constitutional Court, South Africa's apex court. In this capacity I assisted with research and support to the overall functioning of the chamber.

O'Neill Institute, Georgetown University, Washington D.C.

September 2016 – May 2017 Research Assistant

During my LLM degree, I worked as a research assistant at the O'Neill Institute under Anna Roberts and Sean Bland. The focus of this work was largely on communicable diseases including human rights and communicable diseases, immunity for sex workers and legal issues in the roll-out of pre-exposure prophylaxis in the LGBT community in Washington DC.

International Legal Consortium, Campaign for Tobacco Free Kids, Washington D.C.

December 2016 – May 2017 Legal Intern

During my LLM degree I worked as an intern under Katherine Shats and Robert Eckford. Projects I worked on included the development of a toolkit on plain packing of combustible tobacco products, the regulation of advertising tobacco products on social media sites as well as the provision of technical support to legislative tobacco control measures in Eastern Europe and Asia.

GroundUp, Cape Town

July 2016 – December 2017 Legal Journalist

I worked as GroundUp's first legal journalist covering recent cases and judgments as well as topical legal issues in plain English and garnering good experience in demystifying and communicating critical legal judgements to the public. I published over 75 articles which explained important and relevant cases which were regularly featured on Legalbrief and republished in the Daily Maverick and the Mail and Guardian. Full list of articles published is available here: https://www.groundup.org.za/author/155/

Bowmans (formerly Bowman Gilfillan)

February 2016 – July 2016 Associate

January 2014 – January 2016 Candidate Attorney

I completed my articles of clerkship (training to become an attorney) at Bowmans and was retained as an associate in the Insurance Litigation and Medical Malpractice Team. During my articles I completed rotations in Banking and Finance, Litigation and Environmental Regulatory as well as a five-month secondment to the Public Defender's office. As an associate my time was split between the Compliance team regarding administrative reviews related to pyramid schemes and the Litigation department where a large portion of my time was dedicated to insurance litigation and opinion work.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching and Tutoring

2024 Course Instructor, Human Rights Issues in Infectious Disease Emergencies
Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University

2023 Teaching Assistant, Bioethics, Human Rights and Global Health
Course Instructors: Leonard Rubenstein and Anne Barnhill
Johns Hopkins University

Tutor, Global Health DL Programme
London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine

2013 Writing Centre Tutor

University of Cape Town

2012 Head Tutor: Law
iLearn to Be Free

Ad hoc Lectures

2023 Guest Lecture "Multidisciplinary problem-solving in complex health crise" in Health Systems Graduate Seminar II
Bloomberg School of Public Health, *Johns Hopkins University*

2021 Vaccine Equity A global perspective on COVID-19 vaccine distribution.
Colorado State University

Student Supervision

2023 - present Masters Dissertation – Sihle Zingani "Prevalence and risk factors associated with mixing commercial milk with commercial infant cereal during preparation of milk feeds: In a rural South African Community"
School of Public Health, University of Western Cape

Msc in Global Health Project – Eileen Deuster "An analysis of the health policy strategies for the prevention of maternal obesity in Germany.", *London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine*

CERTIFICATIONS AND LICENSURE

Licenses

2018 Admitted Attorney, Law Society of the Northern Provinces of South Africa

2022 Admitted Advocate, Legal Practice Council of South Africa (Practice no.: 42158)

Bar Membership

2023 – present Member, Johannesburg Society of Advocates

2023 – present Member, Pan African Bar Association

HONORS AND AWARDS

2020 50 Most Powerful Women, *Mail and Guardian*

2020 Top 100 South African Shining Stars, *Inside Education*

2017 Dean's List Honoree, *Georgetown University Law Centre*

Best Paper, O'Neill Global Health Law Colloquium, *Georgetown University Law Centre*

Best Exam, Public Health Law, *Georgetown University Law Centre*

2016 – 2017 Global Health Scholar, *O'Neill Institute for National and Global Health Law*

A fellowship awarded to students pursuing their LLMs in Global Health Law who demonstrate promise in Global Health Law

2013 Mark Larkin Prize, *University of Cape Town*

University of Cape Town Law School prize "for a final year student who best embodies the traits of the late Professor Larkin, namely kindness, compassion, and generosity as well as demonstrating a commitment to the faculty and academic prowess."

2012	Bissett Boehmke & McBlaine 150th Award, *University of Cape Town* University of Cape Town Law School prize "for a final year LLB student with a strong academic record who has demonstrated a passion for what the law can do."
2010 – 2011	Dean's Merit List, *University of Cape Town*

ASSOCIATION AND COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS

Associations	
November 2023 – present	Member, *South African Young Academy of Sciences*
June 2023 – present	Associate Member, *Global Health Law Consortium*
February 2023 – present	Steering Committee Member, *the African Health and Human Rights Network*
March 2023 – present	Member, *Human Rights in the Pandemic Accord Working Group, Civil Society Alliance*
Committee Service	
January 2024 – present	Member, *High Court Committee, Johannesburg Society of Advocates*
October 2023 – present	Member, *Inclusivity, Diversity, Anti-Racism and Equity Committee (IDARE), Berman Institute of Bioethics*
March 2023 – September 2023	Member, *Health-E Board (South African news service on health)*
April 2023 – October 2023	Member, *School and Training Committee, Pan African Legal Bar Association*
Mentorship	
January 2021 – December 2022	Mentor, *For Women in Law Mentorship Programme*
2013	Mentor, *University of Cape Town Law School Mentorship Programme*

ADVISORY ROLES

February 2022 – May 2022	Member, *Mandatory Covid-19 Vaccine Objections Appeal Committee, Discovery Health (Private Health Insurance provider)*
October 2021 – December 2022	Member, *Healthy Diets and Human Rights Advisory Group, International Development Law Organization*
November 2021 – January 2023	Member, *Technology Transfer and Intellectual Property Pillar, Partnerships for African Vaccine Manufacturing, Africa CDC*
January 2021 – July 2022	Member, *African Vaccine Delivery Alliance, Africa CDC*
May 2021 – September 2021	Member, *Expert Group for the COVID-19 County Report on the implementation of measures to combat COVID-19 in South Africa, National Research Foundation, Department of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation and the Government Technical Advisory Centre*
November 2020 – December 2021	Member, *Academic Advisory Group to the Food Law and Policy Centre, O'Neill Institute, Georgetown University Law Center*
May – September 2020	Member, *Occupational Health and Safety Work Stream, Ministerial Advisory Committee on COVID-19, South African National Department of Health*
May 2019 – January 2023	Member, *Front of Package Labelling Scientific Working Group, South African National Department of Health*

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed Publications

In press

1. **Abdool Karim S.**, Frank T. and Kruger, P. A human rights-based approach to Front of Package Labelling in South Africa. *Obiter*.

2. Gostin, L., Meier, B.M., **Abdool Karim, S.,** et al. The World Health Organization Was Born as a Normative Agency: Seventy-Five Years of Global Health Law under WHO Governance. *PloS Global Health*.

2023

3. **Abdool Karim, S**. and Shozi, B. (2023). Is a right to health a means to protect public health? South Africa as a model for a communitarian interpretation of the right to health for the promotion of public health. *The International Journal of Human Rights*, pp.1-25.

4. **Abdool Karim, S.,** Kruger, P., Mazonde, N., Erzse, A., Goldstein, S. and Hofman, K. (2023). Stakeholder arguments during the adoption of a sugar sweetened beverage tax in South Africa and their influence: a content analysis. *Global Health Action*, 16(1), p.2152638.

5. **Abdool Karim, S**, Quarraisha Abdool Karim, and Salim Abdool Karim. (2023). COVID-19: The Challenge of Global Vaccine Inequity. *Social Research: An International Quarterly* 90(1) pp.75-109.

6. Alvarado, M., Adams, J., Penney, T., Murphy, M.M., **Abdool Karim, S**., Egan N., Rogers, N.T., Carters-White, L., Martin White. (2023) A systematic scoping review evaluating sugar-sweetened beverage taxation from a systems perspective. *Nature Food.* pp.1-10

7. Gilmore AB, Fabbri A, Baum F, Bertscher A, Bondy K, Chang HJ, Demaio S, Erzse A, Freudenberg N, Friel S, Hofman KJ, Johns P, **Abdool Karim S**, Lacy-Nichols J, de Carvalho CMP, Marten R, McKee M, Petticrew M, Robertson L, Tangcharoensathien V, Thow AM. (2023). Defining and conceptualising the commercial determinants of health. *The Lancet*. 401(10383), pp.1194–213.

8. Erzse, A., **Abdool Karim, S**, Rwafa-Ponela, T., Kruger, P., Hofman, K., Foley, L., Oni, T. and Goldstein, S. (2023). Participatory prioritisation of interventions to improve primary school food environments in Gauteng, South Africa. *BMC Public Health*, 23(1), pp.1-13.

9. DiStefano, M., **Abdool Karim, S**., Krubiner, C., & Hofman, K. (2023). Integrating Health Technology Assessment and the Right to Health in South Africa: A Qualitative Content Analysis of Substantive Values in Landmark Judicial Decisions. *Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics*, 51(1), pp.131-149.

10. Van der Westhuizen, B., Frank, T., **Abdool Karim, S**., & Swart, E. (2023). Determining food industry compliance to mandatory sodium limits: Successes and challenges from the South African experience. *Public Health Nutrition*, pp. 1-18.

11. Erzse, A., **Abdool Karim, S.**, Rwafa-Ponela, T., Kruger, P., Hofman, K.J., Foley, L., Oni, T. and Goldstein, S. (2023). Identifying priority interventions using the Behaviour Change Wheel to improve public primary school food environments in urban South Africa. *The Lancet Global Health*, 11, p. S19.

12. Brugulat-Panés A, Randall L, de Sá TH, Anil M, Kwan H, Tatah L, Woodcock J, Hambleton IR, Mogo ERI, Micklesfield L, Pley C, Govia I, Matina SS, Makokha C, Dambisya PM, **Abdool Karim S,** Pujol-Busquets G, Okop K, Mba CM, Ware LJ, Assah F, Nembulu B, Mukoma G, Lucas WC, Bennett N, Tulloch-Reid MK, Awinja AC, Anand T, Foley L. (2023). The Potential for Healthy, Sustainable, and Equitable Transport Systems in Africa and the Caribbean: A Mixed-Methods Systematic Review and Meta-Study. *Sustainability* 15(6).

13. Randall, L., Brugulat-Panés, A., Woodcock, J., Ware, L.J., Pley, C., **Abdool Karim, S**., Micklesfield, L., Mukoma, G., Tatah, L., Dambisya, P.M. and Matina, S.S. (2023). Active travel and paratransit use in African cities: Mixed-method systematic review and meta-ethnography. *Journal of Transport & Health* 28, p.101558.

2022

14. **Abdool Karim, S.** (2022). The need for recognition of common trade elements in the test for distinctiveness of reputation: a discussion of passing off in light of *Koni Multinational Brands (Pty) Ltd v Beiersdorf AG*. *South African Journal of Intellectual Property Law* pp.1-13.

15. **Abdool Karim S**, Kruger P. and Hofman K. (2022). Legal issues in the adoption of simplified nutrition labelling in South Africa: an analysis of the draft regulation R429' *ESR Review* (4) pp.21-28.

16. Erzse, A., **Abdool Karim, S.**, Foley, L., Hofman, K. (2022) A realist review of voluntary actions by the food and beverage industry and implications for public health and policy in low- and middle-income countries. *Nature Food* 3, pp.650–663.

17. Kruger, P., & **Abdool Karim, S** (2022). Responsiveness of the African Continental Free Trade Agreement to diet-related non-communicable diseases: A human rights analysis. *African Human Rights Law Journal*, *22*(1), pp. 24-50.

18. Kruger, P., Mafuyeka, M., & **Abdool Karim, S** (2022). The Right to Free Commercial Speech in South Africa and its Tension with Public Health Interventions. *Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics*, 50(2) pp.317-321.

19. Kruger, P. and **Abdool Karim, S**. (2022). A human rights-based approach to coercive public health interventions: lessons from the HIV and COVID-19 pandemics. *African Journal of AIDS Research*, 21(2) pp.123-131.

20. Erzse, A., Rwafa-Ponela, T., Kruger, P., Wayas, F. A., Lambert, E. V., Mapa-Tassou, C., and **Abdool Karim, S.** (2022). A Mixed-Methods Participatory Intervention Design Process to Develop Intervention Options in Immediate Food and Built Environments to Support Healthy Eating and Active Living among Children and Adolescents in Cameroon and South Africa. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, 19(16), 10263.

21. Rwafa-Ponela T, Goldstein S, Kruger P, Erzse A, **Abdool Karim S**, Hofman K. (2022) Urban Informal Food Traders: A Rapid Qualitative Study of COVID-19 Lockdown Measures in South Africa. *Sustainability*. 14(4), p.2294.

2021

22. **Abdool Karim S** & Kruger P. (2021). Which Rights? Whose Rights? Public Health and Human Rights through the Lens of South Africa's COVID-19 Jurisprudence. *Constitutional Court Review*. 11(1) pp.533-60.

23. **Abdool Karim, S**. and Kruger, P. (2021). Unsavoury: How effective are class actions in the protection and vindication of the right to access to food in South Africa? *South African Journal on Human Rights*, 37(1), pp.59-82.

24. **Abdool Karim S,** Erzse A, Thow AM, Amukugo HJ, Ruhara C, Ahaibwe G, Asiki G, Mukanu MM, Ngoma T, Wanjohi M, Karera A. (2021) The legal feasibility of adopting a sugar-sweetened beverage tax in seven sub-Saharan African countries. *Global Health Action.* 14(1), 1884358.

25. **Abdool Karim, S**. (2021). Foundations of Global Health & Human Rights: by Lawrence O. Gostin & Benjamin Mason Meier (eds), Oxford University Press, 2020, 488 pp., ISBN: 9780197528297. *South African Journal on Human Rights* 37 (1) pp.140-145.

26. DiStefano MJ, **Abdool Karim S,** Krubiner CB (2021) Integrating health technology assessment and the right to health: a qualitative content analysis of procedural values in South African judicial decisions' *Health Policy and Planning*, czab132.

27. Kruger, P., **Abdool Karim, S**., Tugendhaft, A. and Goldstein, S. (2021). An Analysis of the Adoption and Implementation of A Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Tax in South Africa: A Multiple Streams Approach. *Health Systems & Reform*, 7(1), 1969721.

28. Foley, L., Brugulat-Panés, A., Woodcock, J., Govia, I., Hambleton, I., Turner-Moss, E., **Abdool Karim, S.**, and Randall, L. **(**2021). Socioeconomic and gendered inequities in travel behaviour in Africa: Mixed-method systematic review and meta-ethnography. *Social Science & Medicine*, 114545.

29. Thow AM, Erzse A, Asiki G, Ruhara CM, Ahaibwe G, Ngoma T, Amukugo HJ, Wanjohi MN, Mukanu MM, Gaogane L, **Abdool Karim S**. (2021) Study design: policy landscape analysis for sugar-sweetened beverage taxation in seven sub-Saharan African countries. *Global Health Action*. 14(1) 1856469.

30. Thow AM, **Abdool Karim S**, Mukanu MM, Ahaibwe G, Wanjohi M, Gaogane L, Amukugo HJ, Ruhara CM, Ngoma T, Asiki G, Erzse A. (2021) The political economy of sugar-sweetened beverage taxation: an analysis from seven countries in sub-Saharan Africa. *Global Health Action.*14(1), 1909267.

31. Erzse A, **Abdool Karim S**, Thow AM, Ahaibwe G, Amukugo HJ, Asiki G, Gaogane L, Mukanu MM, Ngoma T, Ruhara CM, Wanjohi MN. (2021). The data availability landscape in seven sub-Saharan African countries and its role in strengthening sugar-sweetened beverage taxation. *Global Health Action.* 14(1), 1871189.

32. Amukugo HJ, **Abdool Karim S,** Thow AM, Erzse A, Kruger P, Karera A, Hofman K. (2021) Barriers to, and facilitators of, the adoption of a sugar sweetened beverage tax to prevent non-communicable diseases in Namibia: a policy landscape analysis. *Global Health Action.* 14(1), 1903213.

33. Ahaibwe G, **Abdool Karim S**, Thow AM, Erzse A, Hofman K. (2021) Barriers to, and facilitators of, the adoption of a sugar sweetened beverage tax to prevent non-communicable diseases in Uganda: a policy landscape analysis. *Global Health Action.* 14(1), 1892307.

34. Ruhara CM, **Abdool Karim S**, Erzse A, Thow AM, Ntirampeba S, Hofman KJ. (2021) Strengthening prevention of nutrition-related non-communicable diseases through sugar-sweetened beverages tax in Rwanda: a policy landscape analysis. *Global Health Action*. 14(1), 1883911.

35. Mukanu MM, **Abdool Karim S**, Hofman K, Erzse A, Thow AM. (2021) Nutrition related non-communicable diseases and sugar sweetened beverage policies: a landscape analysis in Zambia. *Global Health Action.* 14(1) 1872172.

36. Wanjohi MN, Thow AM, **Abdool Karim S**, Asiki G, Erzse A, Mohamed SF, Pierre Donfouet HP, Juma PA, Hofman KJ. (2021) Nutrition-related non-communicable disease and sugar-sweetened beverage policies: a landscape analysis in Kenya. *Global Health Action.* 14(1), 1902659.

2020

37. **Abdool Karim S,** Kruger P, Hofman K. (2020) Industry strategies in the parliamentary process of adopting a sugar-sweetened beverage tax in South Africa: a systematic mapping. *Globalization and health.* 16(1) pp.1-4.

38. **Abdool Karim S**. COVID-19 vaccine affordability and accessibility. (2020) *The Lancet.* 396(10246), p.238.

39. **Abdool Karim S**. (2020) Criminalisation of transmission of SARS-CoV-2: A potential challenge to controlling the outbreak in South Africa. *South African Medical Journal*. 110(6), pp.458-460.

40. Gostin LO, **Abdool Karim S**, Mason Meier B. (2020). Facilitating access to a COVID-19 vaccine through global health law. *The Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics.* 48(3), pp.622-626.

Pre-2020

41. **Abdool Karim S** & Kruyer C. (2017) Rhodes University v Student Representative Council of Rhodes University: The constitutionality of interdicting non-violent disruptive protest. *South African Crime Quarterly*. 62, pp. 93-102.

42. **Abdool Karim S.** (2009). From 'playstation thumb' to 'cellphone thumb': the new epidemic in teenagers. *South African Medical Journal*. 99(3), pp.161-162.

43. **Abdool Karim S**. (2005). Playstation thumb-a new epidemic in children. *South African Medical Journal*. 95(6), p.412.

Reports

Healthy Diets and Human Rights Research Support Initiative. Synthesis Report. IDLO. 2023.

Healthy Diets and Human Rights Research Support Initiative. Scoping Review. IDLO. 2023.

World Health Organisation. Policy, system and practice response to alcohol consumption during the COVID-19 pandemic in seven countries of the WHO African Region. Brief 9, October 2022.

Book Chapters and Other Publications

Abdool Karim, S., Mudau, M., Mlisana, K. and Abdool Karim, Q. Chapter 10. Covid-19 vaccines: Key to improving the quality of life and wellbeing of all South Africans. *State of the Nation: Quality of Life and Well-being* (*forthcoming*).

Erzse A. & **Abdool Karim, S**. (2022) No evidence that voluntary actions by the food and beverage industry can safeguard public health. *Nature Food* 3, pp573–574.

Hofman K, Erzse A, Kruger P, **Abdool Karim S**, May J. (2020) Double burden and double duty: Government action required to improve child nutrition. *South African Child Gauge 2020,* 135.

IN PREPARATION

Papers

Abdool Karim S. Justifying The Limitation Of Rights During Epidemic Responses: Operationalising Section 36 For Public Health Interventions And The Role Of Uncertainty. (*under review*)

Abdool Karim, S. The content and scope of the right to nutritious food: can section 27(1)(b) address the growing epidemic of obesity in South Africa? (*under review*)

Abdool Karim, S. Justifications and acceptability of coercive public health measures in the COVID-19 response in South Africa: a case study of the jurisprudence of human rights cases (*under review*)

Abdool Karim, S. What's in and what's out? Legal Considerations in Developing a Health Technology Assessment Process for South Africa's National Health Insurance Scheme. (*under review*).

Abdool Karim S. and Garde, A. The potential of the constitutional right to food to promote healthy diets and prevent diet-related non-communicable diseases in sub-Saharan Africa. (*in preparation*)

Abdool Karim, S. Communitarian Dimensions of the Right to Health: the development of a right to public health under international law (*in preparation*)

Book Chapters

Abdool Karim, S., Kruger P and Cave, B. Public health in international and treaties and national legislation. *Handbook of Health Impact Assessment* (*in preparation*)

S. Abdool Karim. Human Rights and Health Promotion in *Handbook of Health Promotion* (Springer) (*in preparation*).

PRESENTATIONS

Conference Abstracts and Presentations

2023

Erzse A, Rwafa-Ponela T, Kruger P, **Abdool Karim S**, Goldstein S, Foley L, et al. 2023. Identifying priority interventions using the Behaviour Change Wheel to improve public primary school food environments in urban South Africa. *The Lancet Summit: Childhood Obesity: Consequences Across the Life Course 2023*

2022

Mafuyeka M., Kruger, P., **Abdool Karim, S**. and Goldstein, S. 2022. Covid-washing in social media advertising by the food and beverage industry in South Africa. *PHASA 2022*.

DiStefano, M.J., **Abdool Karim, S.**, Krubiner, C.B. and Hofman, K.J., 2022. Integrating health technology assessment and the right to health in South Africa: a qualitative content analysis of substantive values in landmark judicial decisions. *BMJ Global Health* 2022;7:A27-A28

2021

Abdool Karim, S. 2021. Balancing rights during the pandemic: A case study of South Africa *World Health Organisation, 10th Global Conference on Health Promotion*.

Abdool Karim, S. 2021. *KZN DHC Conference 2021, Ethics Afternoon*.

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Editorial Boards

2016-2017 Articles Advisor, *Georgetown Journal of International Law*

Reviewer

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FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANT SUPPORT

Duration	*Grant information*
2023 – 2025	Berman Institute-Oxford Joint Postdoctoral Fellowship in Global Infectious Disease Ethics Berman Institute, Johns Hopkins University and Ethox Center, Oxford University S Abdool Karim (recipient)
2023 – 2024	Baseline assessment of Front of Package Labelling. Bloomberg Philanthropies, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill E Swart (PI), S Abdool Karim (Co-Investigator)
January 2023	Participant, Global Scholars Academy, Institute for Global Law and Policy
2021 – 2022	Developing legal scholarship on public health law and non- communicable disease prevention in South Africa Bloomberg Philanthropies, O'Neill Institute S Abdool Karim (PI)
2020 – 2021	Food security in urban Johannesburg during the COVID-19 lockdown: food parcels, social grants, and local food economies International Development Research Centre K Hofman (PI), S Abdool Karim (co-Investigator) (SAK contributed to study conceptualization, study design and was project lead of WPs 2 and 3)
2020 – 2022	Context-Specific Interventions For Nutrition-Related Non-Communicable Prevention International Development Research Centre K Hofman (co-PI), G Asiki (co-PI), S Abdool Karim (PRICELESS Project Lead). (SAK conceptualised and designed the study as well as serving as the PRICELESS Project Lead on the project)
2020 – 2022	Measuring unanticipated opportunity costs of South Africa's COVID-19 response for children, mothers and people living with non-communicable diseases UK Medical Research Council. K Hofman (co-PI), S Tollman (Co-PI), S Abdool Karim (co-Investigator).
2020	Aspen New Voices Fellowship Aspen Institute S Abdool Karim (recipient)
2019 – 2023	Global Diet and Research Activity Network National Institute for Health Research. Cambridge University, sub-grantee: PRICELESS SA. K Hofman (co-PI), P Kruger (co-PI). S Abdool Karim (co-Investigator). (SAK contributed to study design)
2018 – 2020	Readiness to Adopt Inter-sectoral Non-Communicable Disease Prevention Policies in a Subset of Southern and East African Countries: A Landscape Analysis International Development Research Centre K Hofman (PI), S Abdool Karim (Project Lead)
2017 – 2020	Evaluation of the Sugar-sweetened Beverage Tax International Development Research Centre K Hofman (PI), N Stacey (co-Project Lead), S Abdool Karim (co-Project Lead). SAK conceptualized, designed and led the policy and qualitative workstreams.
2016-2017	Global Health Scholar, O'Neill Institute for National and Global Health Law, *Georgetown University* (included a $25000 scholarship)

GENERAL MEDIA PUBLICATIONS AND ENGAGEMENTS

As part of both my research and advocacy, I have sought to utilise the media as a tool to disseminate important information to the public and create awareness around critical issues. During my tenure at GroundUp, I authored over 75 articles on important cases with a view to making the law accessible and the implications of significant judgments available and understandable to the general public. In 2020 and 2021, I was approached to contribute as an advocate for equitable access to COVID-19 vaccines as well as prevention of diet related NCDs, including authoring over 15 op-eds. Besides the media articles that I authored, from January 2020 to December 2021, I was mentioned in over 300 print and online media articles (excluding broadcast and radio) with a reach of 391million people. I featured in media article across 26 different countries including Germany, the United States of America, Canada and Nigeria. I have included a select number of media engagements for this period including television appearances, radio interviews, podcasts and online editorial features.

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