Ethical issues in HIV prevention

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ABSTRACT
This seminar will address current ethical issues in HIV prevention, with a primary focus on research ethics. It will outline the biomedical advances in HIV prevention from 2005 and discuss how new interventions have – or have not – been implemented in at-risk populations or included in standards of prevention and care in research studies. ‘Undue inducement’ of trial participants will be discussed with regard to payment of participants and delivery of ancillary care. New data on post-trial access to successful interventions will be presented, along with data on antiretroviral access for prevention trial participants who acquired HIV during a research study. Finally, the politics of HIV prevention will be considered in the light of recent laws passed in Nigeria and Uganda.

BIOGRAPHY
Bridget Haire is a lecturer in public health and medical ethics at the UNSW Australia, and Vice President of Australia’s peak community HIV organisation, the Australian Federation of AIDS Organisations (AFAO). Formerly she lectured in bioethics and medical humanities at the University of Sydney. Prior to academia, Bridget worked in HIV and sexual and reproductive health for 20 years as a journalist, editor, policy analyst and advocate. She currently acts as a consultant for the Australia-China Human Rights Technical Co-operation Program on sexual and reproductive health rights and serves on the Data Safety Monitoring Board for the South African HIV prevention study CAPRISA 008.