

# ADVANCED CERTIFICATE IN HEALTH MANAGEMENT

## Ms. Mirolyn Naidoo

Mirolyn is the Senior Executive Manager at RivLife International Community Centre in Pietermaritzburg.

According to Mirolyn, the CAHM course:

“Provided a better understanding of a diverse range of current management strategies and a greater insight into the South African health care management. This would assist in understanding how the health care system in SA functions and in this way enhance how RivLife as an NGO relates to this sector.”

“It is interesting to understand the impact of HIV and AIDS in such detail and also from a medical perspective. I work with a peri-urban community with a population of 20 000 people. This community is ravaged by high prevalence rates of HIV and Aids, unemployment, poverty and low literacy levels. Many in the community are rendered vulnerable to illnesses, abuse and oppression. There are many granny-headed, youth-headed and child-headed households in the community who receive support services from RivLife. The knowledge and skills that I have acquired will contribute significantly to how I continue to work within this community.”

“I had commenced the course with certain reservations as I was not functioning within what I would refer to as my 'comfort zone'. However, by the close of the first day, I was motivated and enthused. Of benefit was venturing into aspects of the course that I had not previously been exposed to in my own work and career. The course was challenging which is something that I enjoy and off course there was never a boring moment. The facilitators presented their courses with clarity and innovation. The staff was helpful and friendly and ensured that the meals and teas were well presented and sufficient.”



*“Successful governance requires effective leaders. Each sector is responsible for the leaders it appoints and/or produces. Based on these sentiments, I think that FPD is on the right track by having identified an aspect in the health sector that needs attention. Equipping leaders through knowledge, skills and experience is essential.”*