## Curriculum Vitae of

# **Marion Lynn Stevens**

**Email:** 

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Citizenship: South African

**ID Number:** 

**Languages spoken**: English (excellent), Afrikaans (good),

Xhosa (elementary)

**EDUCATION** 

PhD in Gender and Politics 2024

'A policy analysis: from population control to the construction of sexual and

reproductive health post-apartheid, 1994-2021'

Awards: Sol Plaatje Cannon Collins Scholarship 2023

(University of Stellenbosch, South Africa)

Master's in public and Development Management (P&DM) 1998

(University of the Witwatersrand)

Awarded Class First Prize, Dean's Merit List

Bachelor of Social Science (Honours in Social Anthropology) 1993

(University of Cape Town)

Diploma in Nursing Science and Arts and Midwifery 1987

Graduated with Distinction

# Summary of expertise

#### **Content areas:**

- sexual and reproductive health and rights
- gender diversity
- women's health
- sexual and reproductive justice
- key/marginalised populations
- HIV and AIDS
- health systems and human resources.

### **Capacity and skills:**

- Policy analysis & policy analysis
- Knowledge generation: qualitative & quantitative research
- Project management
- Literature review, content development & report writing
- Facilitation, mentoring & teaching
- Resource mobilisation, proposal writing & fundraising
- Advocacy, movement building & networking
- Communications & media work
- Artivism body mapping & mosaic
- Organisational & strategic process development
- Governance & ethics
- Conflict resolution and mediation
- Monitoring, learning and evaluation (appreciative enquiry and outcomes harvesting)

#### SPECIALISED AREAS OF SUPPORT

- Monitoring, evaluation and learning through appreciative inquiry and outcomes harvesting
- Advise, develop and engage in policy analysis. This includes strategic engagement to enable the policy development to be matched with implementation processes and planning.
- Organisational and process facilitation,
- Leadership, Management and Board membership
- Conducting of research processes, content and information development
- Strategic Advisory Leadership, mentorship and intergenerational engagement
- Resource Mobilising and Proposal Writing
- Writing, editorial work and media development
- Course Facilitation, training and teaching

#### **CAREER HIGHLIGHTS**

## Monitoring and Evaluation and Strategic Advisory Leadership

Women's Global Network for Reproductive Rights (WGNRR), Ipas, Open Society Foundation

2010 - 2013 Strategic Policy advisor, researcher for Gender DynamiX

2011 – 2014 Facilitation of SWEAT peer education in relation to SRHR, advocacy strategic planning and founding of Mothers for the Future

2020 Certificate training in Outcomes Harvesting

2020 – 2022 – technical advisor RSFU

2023 - Consultant on Essential Services addressing GBV- UN Women/SAMRC

## **Leadership, Management and Board membership**

Reproductive Rights Alliance, People's Health Movement, Her Rights Initiative, Earth Life Africa, SHE (African Feminist Transgender NGO)

2007 - Project Manager of the Women and HIV Gauge – Coordination and management of a project monitoring the continuum of HIV prevention, treatment and care through a sexual and reproductive health and rights lens.

2010 – 2018 - Founder and Coordinator of WISH Associates

2015 -2020 Founding Director of the Sexual and Reproductive Justice Coalition 2021 ongoing Gender Advisory Panel – World Health Organisation

#### **Policy Adviser**

1994 – Policy Analyst. South African Women's Health Conference. Development thirteen policies to influence incoming democratic government and formation of NGO networks to support this process (Reproductive Rights Alliance, National Network on Violence against Women)

1995, 2000 Technical adviser pre–Beijing Conference on Women and five-year review

1996 Technical writer, National Parliamentary Committee on Health for the Choice on Termination of Pregnancy Act

2010 Developed Learner Pregnancy Strategy for the SA Department of Education 2010 – ongoing Technical Adviser National Development of Health on Sexual and Reproductive Health (Development of Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights Implementation Strategy, Youth and Adolescent Policy, Fertility Planning and Contraception Guidelines, National Clinical Abortion Guidelines.