

# WOMEN'S MONTH

## FEATURED PROFESSIONALS



### Platinum Health | Our Exceptional Women

At Platinum Health, we are proud to celebrate the women who inspire, lead, and make a meaningful difference in the lives of our members and colleagues every day. In honour of Women's Month, we're shining a spotlight on some of the exceptional women across our organisation - those who embody compassion, commitment, and clinical excellence.

#### Meet Venus Chauke

As Finance Manager at Platinum Health, Venus leads with integrity, teamwork, and a commitment to ethical financial practices. She is focused on streamlining reporting, budgeting, and system integration; driven by a belief in the power of technology and collaboration.

A key highlight in her journey has been her involvement in the International Financial Reporting Standard (IFRS) 17 implementation, where she embraced the challenge of transitioning to a new international standard.

Outside of work, she's training for her first marathon - showing the same determination that helped her rise from studying by candlelight in a rural village to presenting at the Platinum Health conference. Our Q&A session with Venus reveals more:



#### Venus Chauke

**Our Finance Manager.  
The remarkable woman  
behind our clean audits.**

## Q&A

### **Q: Describe what you do at Platinum Health in one sentence?**

A: I am the Finance Manager for Platinum Health.

### **Q: What's your personal mission for your role?**

A: To lead the finance team with integrity, respect and ethical behaviour. To work as a team with the finance department and to learn from them. To cooperate with all the stakeholders of the Scheme.

### **Q: What do you hope to achieve for the organisation?**

A: I hope to achieve a more efficient way of reporting the financial results, budgeting and forecasting and the integration of accounting systems. This can be achieved through technology and I am happy to be working for an organisation with a structured IT department.

### **Q: What are some of your career highlights whilst being with Platinum Health?**

A: Being part of the IFRS 17 implementation. I have learnt a lot during this process. It was my first time to be involved with a full transition of one International Financial Reporting Standard (IFRS) to a new standard.

### **Q: What are some of your favourite things in life?**

A: I am a social runner. I have done 25kms so far. I am planning to do 32kms in August in preparation for the Sanlam Cape Town Marathon in October. I am looking forward to my first marathon.

### **Q: What words of inspiration can you give to our younger generation?**

A: During my matric year (2002), I was awarded the 1st position in accounting, 2nd position in Economics and 3rd position in Business Economics under the Mopani district in Limpopo by the Minister of Education. Sometimes when I feel overwhelmed by work, I look back to the year 2002 and I remind myself that I am a star.

Your background should not define who you are. I am a village girl who went to high school with limited resources, and I managed to achieve good results. Up until grade 11, our village didn't have electricity, and I was using a candle to study.

### **Q: Can you share a moment when you felt empowered or proud of being an employee of PH?**

A: I was given an opportunity to present the CFO's section on his behalf during the annual Platinum Health conference. I felt empowered and recognised.

I am proud of being part of the winner of the 2024 Titanium award for "Open, Closed and Self-administered Medical Schemes, Administrators and Managed Care Organisations"