

Biography Prof. dr. Ashley J. Duits



Prof. dr. A.J. Duits is a medical immunologist trained at the Radboud University Nijmegen and the Utrecht University Medical Center. He is the director of the Red Cross Blood Bank Foundation Curaçao. He is an advisor on blood transfusion programs for the Pan American Health Organization and has designed different regional training programs on this topic. He has a chair at the University Medical Center Groningen on Medical Education. He is the medical education affiliate coordinator for the NASKHO/Curaçao Medical Center (CMC) and responsible for the medical students' clerkship program at the CMC. He is a member of the board of the Central Educational Commission in charge of the intern and resident program at the CMC.

He directs several research, PhD- and medical educational programs on the topics of infectious diseases, lifestyle medicine and sensible care. In infectious diseases the focus is on new emerging infectious diseases and preparedness for vulnerable groups. In life style medicine the introduction of a comprehensive program on the Dutch Caribbean Islands is a major topic. For sensible care the focus is on addressing the current challenges for preventing use of costly non-effective drugs and ensuring a sustainable primary health care approach based on true value.

He is currently chairman of Fundashon Prevenshon.