

Title	Conflicted cure exploring concepts of default and adherence in drug resistant tuberculosis patients in Khayelitsha
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Description.	ABSTRACT This dissertation examines default and adherence in drug-resistant tuberculosis (DR-TB) patients in Khayelitsha, Cape Town, South Africa. The ethnographic data is drawn from three and a half months of participant-observation, illness-narrative interviews, in-depth interviews, focus groups, support-group sessions and creative methodologies such as collage and emotional mapping. The various methods revealed some contradictory experiences with treatment and cure that some patients faced when undergoing treatment for DR-TB. Through an analytical framework of affect and emotions, this paper traces the complexities and disparate conceptions of default and adherence that circulate amongst patients. This paper argues that default and adherence do not operate in isolation but are part of dynamic entanglements of relationships and self-introspection that surface throughout the course of treatment for DR-TB.
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