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From 1996 to 2006, Dr Price was dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences at the University of the Witwatersrand. As dean, he spearheaded the introduction of a new medical curriculum and the creation of the first University-owned private teaching hospital. He chaired the National Committee of Medical Deans for 4 years, and also chairs the Medical and Dental Professions Board subcommittee responsible for accreditation of undergraduate medical degree programmes in South Africa. He took up the post of Vice-Chancellor of the University of Cape Town in July 2008.

After graduating MBBCh from University of the Witwatersrand, he was awarded a Rhodes Scholarship. He studied politics and economics at Oxford from 1980 to 1983. Following clinical work at Johannesburg Hospital and then in a rural primary health care project in South Africa, Dr Price went on to do a Masters degree at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine in 1986/7. He remained there as a Research Fellow in Health Economics. He joined the Centre for Health Policy at Wits University in 1988 as a senior researcher, and became its director in 1992. Dr Price was awarded the Visiting Takemi Fellowship in International Health at the Harvard School of Public Health in 1994/5.

During the 1980s and 1990s, Dr Price held membership and executive positions in various anti-apartheid health activist organizations and contributed to the formulation of health policy for the first post-apartheid government. He has undertaken numerous consultancies in South Africa and abroad focusing on health financing policy.

With over 50 research documents and publications to his name, Dr Price has investigated health systems research, the political economy of health in SA, health economics and financing, privatization and medical aids, rural health services and computer simulation modelling of health systems, and more recently health science education.

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