Judy Katzenellenbogen

Originally trained as an occupational therapist, Judy Katzenellenbogen works at the Combined Universities Centre for Rural Health as an NHMRC research fellow. Her interest in epidemiology has underpinned a public health career comprising broad professional experience in South Africa, New Zealand and Western Australia. This has included experience working on rural health issues and health disparities in all three countries and from diverse perspectives, including disease-specific research and burden of disease analysis, health purchasing, needs assessment, program evaluation and strategic planning. Her doctoral work, completed in 2008, involved the application of linked data analysis methods to estimating the burden of stroke in Western Australia. The emphasis of her current research is disparities in health care and outcomes, both for rural and remote residents and for Aboriginal people, with a major focus on cardiovascular disease. She is committed to building capacity in Aboriginal health and in developing upstream approaches to health.