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Eyesight Awareness



Senior Citizens and community of Kwa Cele attending Eye Awareness Event

On the 05th of October 2018 GJ Crookes Hospital (EYE CLINIC) held eye sight Awareness at Kwacele Hall. The Chief of Kwacele (Mr. Cele) Welcomed and thanked the hospital for hosting such event in his Area. Mrs. Nyawo (CEO) of the Hospital thanked the Chief for welcoming the Hospital and allowing them to Host the Event, she also tell the purpose of the day which was **“say NO to blindness that caused by illnesses that can be cured”**.

The Psychometrics educate the community about Cataract and Glaucoma and how it affect eyes. Firstly she said cataract can be caused by illnesses like Diabetes she also encouraged the community to use sunglasses if it sunny.

Glaucoma

She said there is fluid that always rotate in the eyes and once this fluid stops circulating it can cause swelling of Veins and it is very dangerous and it is not easily identified and that can affect the side seeing and slowly affect your Front seeing and once that happens those people ended up using eye drops for the rest of their lives. These eye drops are not for healing this but they are for that vein to not be easily damaged. She also encouraged the community to come to the hospital every after 6months to check their eyes and that there are no bleeding.



Sr. TR Gumede (MC) and Chief Cele for Kwa Ce Tribal Court



Ms. Madlala in the Middle and her Eye Clinic Team

Farewell for Mr. Mdingi Finance Clerk Supervisor



Mr. Mdingi with GJC Staff and Interns

Out of all the staff vacating the finance department for greener pastures, the Finance Manager still bid farewell to yet another one of her staff Members. The finance Department bid farewell to Mr. Mdingi, the Finance Clerk Supervisor, who had left for Dunstan Farrell Hospital previously and came back when the facility was closed down by the department and he came back with the staff that was re-posted. He left the finance department taking up a higher post in the Eastern Cape Department of Health. Mr. Mdingi was then wished well by his manager Ms. Nguse, his supervisor Mr. Ngubane, Acting Systems Manager Ms. H Bhengu and his team members, the rest of the staff in his department.



Mr. Mdingi Receiving a gift from his Managers.



Mr. Mdingi with Ms. Bhengu (Acting Systems Mgr).

Mental Health Awareness Day



Mental Health Team doing the walk about in OPD

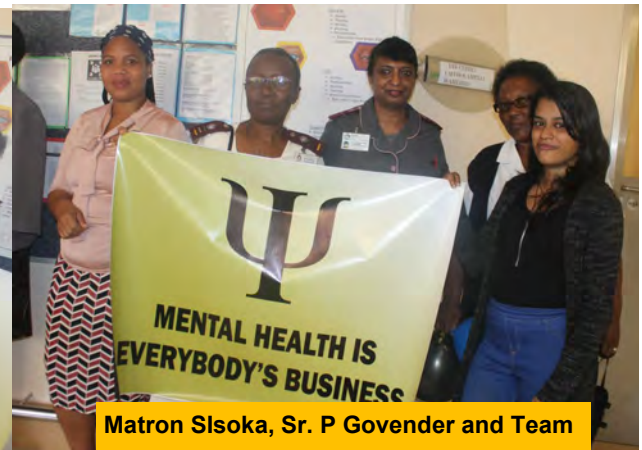
On the 10th of October 2018 the Psychiatric Clinic held an Awareness campaign in the Outpatients Areas of GJ Crookes Hospital. The Theme for the day was “*Young People and Mental Health in a Changing World*”. The departments involved in this campaign were Psychiatric Clinic, Social worker, Crisis Center Team, Physiotherapy Department and Outpatients Department. Topics that were covered on the day were :

- ◆ Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
- ◆ Dementia
- ◆ Abuse of vulnerable groups: Elderly users, Mental Health Care Users and intellectually Disabled Group
- ◆ compliance to treatment and clinical manifestation of mental illness and dealing with a family member that has mental health illness.

The day started with a prayer by Nurse NG Madiba and an Advocacy walk was done from the Psychiatric Clinic to Outpatient Department led by Sir Mnyandu. A question and answer session on mental health was done with clients in OPD and participants were given tokens of appreciation. A vote of thanks to all the participants, organizers and staff was done by ANM Sisoka.



Sir Mnyandu giving Mental Health Talk in OPD



Matron Sisoka, Sr. P Govender and Team

East Coast Radio - Toys R Us Campaign



GJC Team welcoming the ECR Team into H Ward

On the 22nd of November 2018, GJ Crookes Hospital was visited by the East Coast Radio Toys R Us team to give early Christmas presents to the kids admitted at the Children's ward. The team comprised of Ms. Thobekile Honono, Luvern Robertson, Neal Green, Hopewell Mncwangi and Debra Gcabashe. The children were all excited to receive their pre-christmas gifts and mothers were grateful to have received such gifts for their children. Mrs. Muthwa Area Manager for Maternity and Paediatrics expressed her appreciation on behalf of Hospital Management to the Toys R Us team.



ECR Toys R Us Team issuing toys to children. "Everyone is happy"



Farewell to Marita Luthuli a Pharmacist at GJ Crookes



Outgoing Marita Luthuli with the Pharmacy Team

The Pharmacy Team was sad to bid farewell to Marita Luthuli so soon, as she got appointed for a senior post in Durban. Marita started to work for GJ Crookes Hospital in 2013, left in November 2018. She worked as a grade 1 pharmacist and left for a Grade 1 Pharmacy Supervisor position at Kind Dinizulu Hospital in Durban. She was described as pleasant to work with, hard working, dedicated to serving the clients. She was friendly and professional, she displayed characteristics of a good leader and a colleague to rely on. We wish her well on her new endeavour



Last poses at GJC by Pharmacy Team with Marita

Farewell to Sr. BPE Gumede MNCWH



Sr. BPE Gumede with CEO left and Nursing Manager right

On the 28th of November 2018 the Nursing Component and Maternity Team of GJ Crookes Hospital bid farewell to Sr. BPE Gumede who was an MNCWH Trainer at GJ Crookes Hospital who had worked as a midwife for the Maternity Department for a number of years and was later appointed as MNCWH Trainer. She didn't just leave GJ Crookes Hospital, but the district, the province and the country to now work in Dubai in the same profession.



16 Days of Activism on Non Violence Against Women and Children and World Aids Day Campaign



Mr. TM Mbanjwa.(PRO) Program Director

A Non– Violence and Aids Day Awareness March from GJC Hospital to Scottburgh Townhall

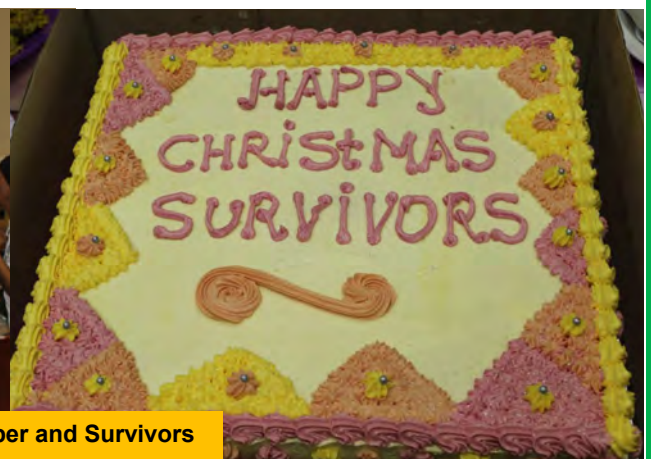
On the 30th of November GJ Crookes Hospital Crisis Centre Team with Jesfoord Foundation held an annual Christmas party for rape survivors, commemorating days 16 of activism and World Aids Day. The program was directed by the Hospital PRO Mr. TM Mbanjwa.

On this day the event was opened with a prayer by Matron Sisoka. A welcoming of guests and purpose of the day was done by Mrs Nyawo who mentioned that this day is to remember all victims of domestic abuse and everyone affected by HIV and AIDS.

Mrs. Sikhosana came to present gifts to the children and survivors and she mentioned that this is a shoe program that has went on for a couple of years with the assistance of NGO's and Jesfoord foundation. She said these NGO's help to ease the pain by donating comfort packs that are given to each victim that comes to Crisis Centre and the shoes are given at the Christmas party to help those disadvantaged victims of abuse to regain confidence when they go back to school.

There were testimonies given by survivors, poetry and songs, that were very touching and well received by the audience. Mr. Maphumulo also gave a health education talk on HIV to the attendees on how they should look after themselves and not discriminate on anyone that has been infected by HIV.

The event was closed off with nice Jazz music by our very own Mr. Jerry Kunene from Malangeni who is a long time Jazz artist.



Umdoni Municipality Madam Speaker, CEO, Hospital Board Member and Survivors

Quality Day and Umzumbe Mayor's Visit



CEO Mrs. SP Nyawo Awarding Linen Department for excellence

On the 5th of December 2018 GJ Crookes Hospital held a Quality Day event. The event was sponsored by Umzumbe Municipality and Metropolitan. The event was opened by Mrs Nyawo the CEO of GJ Crookes who thanked everyone for a wonderful year, saying that although there were challenges, but departments did a lot on what was expected of them, hence the reason why quality day was held. She reminded staff on the importance of adhering to quality in all that they do which results in giving our clients enough satisfaction on their visit or stay at our hospital. The awards ceremony started with all achieving departments awarded their certificates starting from 100% compliance to National Core Standards, Peer Review Audits, Sport Excellence, Special Recognition, Long Service and Compliments Awards.

On the same day the hospital was graced by the presence of His Worship the Mayor of Umzumbe Cllr. S.R. Ngcobo who came to do a Christmas cheer for staff of the Hospital, Children's ward and the new mothers. Mayor Ngcobo thanked the hospital management and staff for the care given to all the patients under the current circumstances faced by government. He thanked the hospital for welcoming patients of Umzumbe in particular. He encouraged staff not to lose morale or give up on their passion to serve. The Mayor with Deputy Mayor and councillors of Umzumbe then went to the wards to distribute gifts that were prepared by the municipality. All mothers were happy and grateful for the gifts received by their children and thanked the Mayor for this Christmas present.



Mayor SR. Ngcobo and Team issuing gifts to new mothers

Mr. Mnguni and Metropolitan Team

Tshenkombo Health Promoting School Launch



Mrs. Munsamy Mrs. Bele, Sr. Malinga, Ms Ntombela and Sr Bonga unveiling the plaque

On the 7th of December 2018 Ugu Health District Special Programs Manager Mavis Munsamy and the School Health Team of Ugu North Sub District went for a Launch of Tshenkombo Primary School as a Health Promoting School. For the purpose of the day Sr. T Bonga explained that the aim is to focus on on caring for oneself and others, making healthy decisions and taking control over life's circumstances. Creating conditions that are conducive to health through health policies, services, physical and social conditions. She said the purpose is to have building capacity for peace, shelter, education, food, income, a stable ecosystem, equity, social justice and sustainable development. She also mentioned that this is to help prevent the leading causes of death, disease and disability and to influence health-related behaviours.

The Circuit Manager Ms. BP Ntombela expressed her appreciation to the department for its support and assistance its giving to the schools by this concept of Health Promoting Schools and positive changes brought by it.

Mrs Munsamy handed over a certificate to the outgoing principal Mrs. CF bele and the educators and also unveiled the plaque, thanking Sr. Bonga for helping the school and congratulated the school for having achieved this status of being a health promoting school.

Mrs. Bele the Principal thanked Mrs Munsamy, Sr. Bonga and the entire department for this launch and accepts it as another big achievement before her retirement. She thanked all the educators, the school governing body and the parents for all their support throughout her period as a principal.



Tshenkombo Principal Receiving Health Promotion Certificate

Mrs. Bele her granddaughter and Mrs Munsamy

Farewell for Mr MP Zama (Pazman)



Mr. MP Zama



Ms. Nguse, Zama Family, Ms. Nguse and Mrs Nyawo

On the 13th December 2018 the SCM– Asset Control team of GJ Crookes Hospital bid farewell to Mr MP Zama. Mr Zama started his journey with us in 1984 and end on 31th December 2018. In his time with us he worked in various departments. He starts working at Admitting department as a Patient Administrative Clerk after which he moved to various departments i.e. Revenue, Switchboard, Stores and finally moved to Asset Control where his journey ended as an employee of the Department of Health GJ Crookes Hospital. He was described as a dedicated worker, someone who doesn't need to be supervised while doing his work. He report timeously at work also he respect his work. Mr Zama is an easy person to work with, team builder as well as a problem solver.



Final Poses with Mr MP Zama and GJC Staff



Neuron Development Therapy Christmas Party



NDT Party Cake prepared by the rehab team

On the 7th of December 2018 the Rehab Team at GJ Crookes Hospital held a Neuro Development Therapy Christmas party for the children suffering with Cerebral Palsy and other disabilities. The department's supervisor Ms. D. Govender with the rehab team plan this event annually to appreciate mothers that look after children with disabilities and looking after their health. The mothers and their children were treated for the day and given gifts and appreciation certificates for the work and effort they put with their children at home. A speaker from Umdoni Disability Forum also spoke to the mothers and encouraged them to utilize the disability office at Umdoni sto find out how this office can be of assistance to them in caring for their kids as per the help that is available.



Picture Moment owith Mandi Mayendisa and Mr. K Ndlovu as Father Christmas



Ugu Mayor with Councilors , District Representative and GJC Hospital Staff

On the 13th of December 2018 GJ Crookes Hospital was visited by the His Worship the Mayor of Ugu District Municipality Cllr. M. Chiliza who came to do a Christmas Cheer for the Children's ward. The Mayor thanked the CEO of GJ Crookes for the care given by the facility to all the mothers and children that are admitted during this time. He encouraged all mothers to look after their children and urged young mothers to focus on their dreams and developing themselves and to practice safe sex in order to prevent STI's and HIV. The toys were then given to all the children in the ward and all mothers were excited and grateful for the gifts received from the mayor.

Mrs. Nyawo thanked the Mayor of Ugu District Municipality, with all the councilors and staff accompanying him. She said what the Mayor is doing is very comforting to the mothers, especially during the time when their children are being hospitalized.



Children showing their appreciation to the Mayor



Walkabout with Mayor Chiliza and Team



Mayor presenting gifts to the kids

Mayoral Christmass Cheers



CEO Welcoming Mayor Dube in B1 with GJC Staff and patients

On Christmas Day the 25th of December 2018. His Worship the Mayor of Umdoni Municipality, Cllr. WT Dube who came to give new mothers new born packs as a Christmas present. The Christmas baby however did not come at the time when the Mayor was still present but the new mothers who had given birth the previous day were presented with their new born packs. The Mayor then thanked all mothers for adhering to pregnancy guidelines and having successful deliveries. He then left the Christmas Baby Hamper behind for the nurses to hand over to the new mother that will give birth to the 1st Christmas baby. The mothers thanked the Mayor for his kindness.

It was until 11:59am when Sibahle Simelane from Umlazi Township gave birth to a baby Girl of 2.96kg and was presented with her new born pack by the Sr. in charge on behalf of the Mayor.



Mayor Handing Out Gifts to the New Mothers



CEO presenting a Certificate of Appreciation to the Mayor

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