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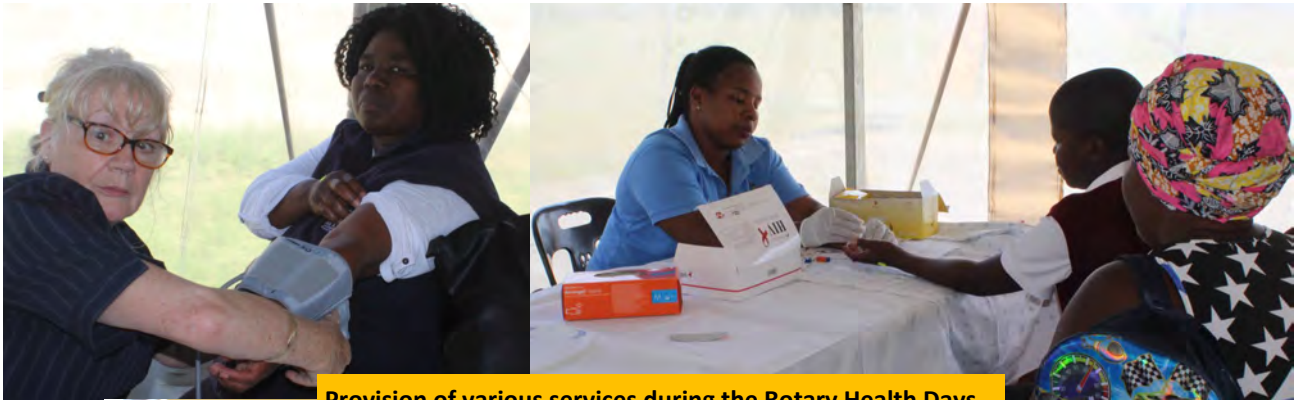
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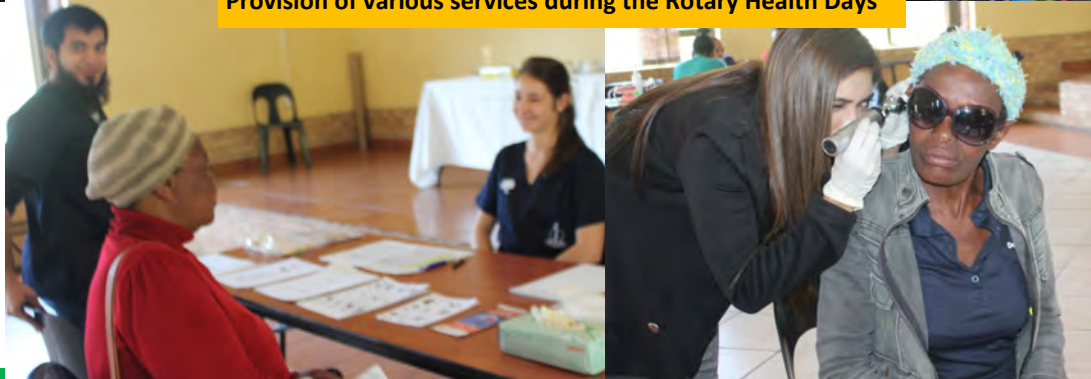


Rotary President with Lions Club Ladies setting up for services

The department of health in partnership with Rotary Family Health Days and other partners embarked on a campaign to bring free healthcare services to historically disadvantaged and under-served areas and citizens. From the 3rd to the 5th of October 2019 the Scottburgh Rotary Club and Lions Club of Scottburgh in partnership with Ugu North Health Sub district brought in a range of services to the communities of Malangeneni during a three day campaign where staff were able to consult with 543 community members and were able to provide $\pm 2,793$ primary and add-on services. (An average of ± 5.5 per person). Cherilynn Poynter (Rotary Club President 2019/20) passed a word of gratitude to all staff who participated and the team who helped organize the campaign and GJ Crookes Hospital Management.



Provision of various services during the Rotary Health Days



Isibhedlela kubantu.... Health Care to the People of Hlokozi at Bhanoyi Area



MEC for Health Ms. Nomagugu Simelane Zulu Addressing the crowd

Umdoni Health Sub-District along under Ugu Health District was invited alongside Umzumbe Health Sub district for Isibhedlela Kubantu health campaign by the MEC for Health Ms. Nomagugu Simelane Zulu. In this program is where a number of doctors, nurses and allied health care professionals visit communities who live far from clinics and district hospitals with mobile clinics in the aim to provide free health care closer to where people are. This program features screening and testing for non-communicable diseases, eye screening, wheelchair assessment for the elderly and many more other services only available at clinics or hospitals. This day was also an opportunity for communities to make their say on the proposed National Insurance Bill as they gave responses on the day.



Hlokozi Community of Bhanoyi area came out in numbers to receive health service brought by MEC



MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS DAY



PRO Mr. Mbanjwa Welcoming Mrs. Sikhosana on Stage



Mrs. Ngcobo Translating for Dr. Sibiya

On the 11th of October 2019 the GJ Crookes Hospital Psychiatric Clinic with Umdoni Health Sub-District and Scholar Amoris held a Mental Health Awareness Day event at Scholar Amoris in Umzinto. The theme for the day was “no health without mental health”. The program was led by GJ Crookes Hospital PRO Mr. TM Mbanjwa and event was officially opened by Scholar Amoris Principal followed by a number of speakers focusing on health education especially Dr. Sibiya for Mental health clinic who touch on the days subject and how mentally challenged children and people within society must be taken care of.



Scholar Amoris Drama Performance Team



Students attending the program



Sr. Mnyandu organizing Eats for learners



East Coast Radio Toy Story for GJ Crookes Hospital



Children happy to Pose with Giffy brought by Toy story



ECR and Toy story Team with gifts to H Ward



On the 25th of November 2019 the East Coast Radio and Toy story Team visited GJ Crookes once more to provide gifts for children admitted at the Pediatrics ward. This has been an annual activity by East Coast Radio and Toystory which the hospital receives with such appreciation as it comforts the babies during their time of admission. The Mothers and guardians of patients were happy of the generosity by East Coast Radio and Toy Story. Each and every child in the ward received a toy which they liked and were happy.



Hospital Management with Toy story and Children of H Ward with their parents happy for the gifts received



Launch of the TLD Drug and awarding of 909090 Certificate to Ugu Health District



Minister of Health Launching The New TLD Drug for HIV/Aids

On the 27th of November 2019 Ugu North Health Sub-district was part of the National Minister of Health Dr. Zweli Mkhize and MEC for Health KZN Ms. Nomagugu Simelane Zulu visit to the Community of Umzumbe starting at Turton CHC for a clinic walkabout and proceeded to Umzumbe sports field where he launched a new TLD drug for HIV was presented and welcomed by many. The Minister also presented a 909090 strategy certificate of achievement to Ugu Health District for meeting and exceeding the 909090 targets way ahead of time set. This meant a great deal Ugu District Primary Health Care as it meant more and more clients are screened, initiated on treatment and their viral load suppressed.



Minister of Health Addressing the Media



Minister of Health Presenting the Achievement Certificate to Ugu District Team

Chrisis Center Annual Donate a Shoe and 16 Days of Activism Awareness Program



Mrs. Sikhosana with District, Hospital Management and Sponsors.

On the 6th of December 2019 the GJ Crookes Hospital Crisis Center team held an Annual Donate a shoe program and 16 days of activism awareness campaign. The program was led by the PRO Mr. TM Mbanjwa. The main purpose of this event was to emotionally support the disadvantaged children and their parents/guardians; also to tell them about the continuing help that is available for them.

The department attends to a lot of cases on child abuse and neglect. A total of 224 victims of sexual abuse, which 99 of them were under 12 year old children were attended to in the year 2019.

Sr. Dudu Ndlovu for Thuthuzela Center in Portshepstone Hospital said these are alarming figures and an embarrassing reality of what vulnerable people, especially children are facing in our societies. Most cases go unreported for different reasons which might include the victim's fear of the perpetrator, fear of family neglect and doubt or fear of stigma from society as a whole.

It was mentioned that there are rising numbers of child abuse, limited support groups and victims not coming to hospital for follow-ups which hinders the success of the department to cover all these incidences. The NGO Jesfoord Foundation advised the attendants to report every case immediately to the hospital and the police station because all offenders must be apprehended.

During the event, the children received brand new school shoes as a sign that education is the key to success and there is still hope for a brighter future; they also received toys, gifts, food, refreshments etc.



Guardian giving a vote of thanks on behalf of parents of survivors

Sr. Dudu Ndlovu, Sr. VD Sikhosana, MR. Mbanjwa and Mrs B Grace



PHC World Aids Day Awareness



Sr. T Bonga leading a candle lighting session



Dr. B Shange Acting CEO giving support Message

On the 13th of December 2019 the Ugu North Sub District in Umdoni held a World Aids Awareness Day for the community of Dududu. The event was sponsored by Love Life. The event was mainly targeted for the youth and they showed up. The event comprised of various activities and speeches from respective individuals starting with the Acting PHC Manager Mr. S Ngcobo who opened and welcomed everyone. He was followed by Sr. T Bonga who gave a purpose of the day and the Acting CEO for GJ Crookes Hospital Dr. B Shange gave a message of support to the youth. Testimony about the virus and how those infected can live a healthy life if taking their medication and following healthy trends was given. For entertainment there was Ikhwezi Lokusa group who gave an epic stage play about HIV/Aids and the content of 16 days of activism on violence against women and children. Mrs. Sikhosana encouraged the community to fight the scourge of crimes against women and children, especially rape. Appealed to the community to have such cases brought before the law and for parents to have open communication with their children so its easy for them to tell when something is wrong. Towards the end of the program a Candle Light Session was done in remembrance of all Aids affected families and individuals. The youth voiced out their impression of the program and how they feel it was fruitful for them to attend.



Candle Light Session with Dududu Community



Taking Both Sides Moral Restoration Program with DSD



Mr. Mbanjwa leading a Healthy Lifestyle song with Crowd

On the 20th of December 2019 Taking Both Sides NGO and Department of Social Development held a Moral Restoration program for the community of Mandawe. The focus of the program was on HIV/Aids awareness and 16days of activism on violence against women and children. The program was led by Mr. TM Mbanjwa the PRO of GJ Crookes Hospital. An introduction of the program was done by Mr. Mthethwa the Chairperson of Moral Regeneration who stressed the important of values, good behaviour and protection of women and children against abuse. A talk on HIV/Aids and leading a healthy lifestyle was given by Mr. S Maphumulo an ambassador of Men to Men. The need for support of parents was emphasized to ensure good upbringing of children, thus avoiding all current social ills and health problem and even the abuse we are seeing nowadays. During the comments, question and answer session The crowd commended this setting and said they wish there were more events and awareness's focusing on youth like these ones. Event was closed with a prayer and refreshments were served.



Interaction with the Crowd



Christmas and New Years Babies



Sr. Khan and Ntombfikile Mthembu with Christmas Baby



Zithobile Zamisa with Labor Ward Team and New Years Baby

Nothing is more perfect than a new baby. Ten little fingers, ten perfect toes, it's the one special feeling any mother can ask for. It is more special on popular days like Christmas and New Years Day. For This Christmas GJ Crookes Hospital had five babies born on Christmas Day being one male and four females. The 1st baby was born to Ntombfikile Mthembu 25/12 at 02:50kg delivered by Sr. Khan.

On New Years Day there were three male children born. The first baby was by Zithobile Zamisa 20 years on 01/01/2020 at 14h36 delivered by Sr. Shozi



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