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STANGER REGIONAL HOSPITAL GETS A FACE LIFT

On the 30 of March 2016 the Minister of Public Works Mr Thulani Nxesi accompanied by the 3 MEC's from different provinces including MEC Ravi Pillay from KZN as well as senior officials including DDG's and Directors from Public works visited Stanger Regional Hospital to view progress of the new building with modern state of art Maternity and Neonatal Unit. This is a four story building with helipad on top of the building which will be used for helicopter landing in cases of emergencies. Currently Stanger Hospital alone delivers 650-700 babies per month and 30% of those are delivered through Caesarean Section as the Hospital, is a specialist that caters for high risk women that have complications of pregnancy. (Story continues pg 2)



Stanger Hospital CEO addressing Honorable Minister Nxesi , KZN MEC Ravi Pillay (Public works) and his team



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Construction of the new state of art Units

The new building has its own separate ward for pregnant women who are sick and those waiting delivery. Moreover, the building has its own separate theatres so that emergencies that need to be operated in theatre will be attended there, in the same building. This new building will also cater for Neonatal nursery unit which will have a Neonatal ICU as well as Neonatal High Care beds. This will be very beneficial in better management of new born babies especially preterm. In neonatal nursery unit, the hospital is already armed with 6 specialists (paediatricians) who are already doing a fantastic job including visiting and attending to patients in feeder hospital such as Maphumulo, Untunjambili and Montebello Hospital. The state of art building will also bring a 20 bedded psychiatric units which will be used for care of mental health patients. This addition came as an urgent project whilst awaiting the building of permanent mental health care ward which has already been approved.

“As the Hospital management we are happy and proud of this development as this will improve the quality of our care. We are proud of our achievements as we come from an era where all high level care services were accessed in Durban but now all 2nd level of care services are available in Stanger. We are proud of the role of the Hospital board under leadership of Thulani Khuluse in supporting Hospital management in all achievements in the Hospital” said Ms Ngcobo (Stanger Hospital CEO)



Ekuphileni Clinic commemorating TB day 2016

On 23 March 2016, Ekuphileni clinic commemorated World TB day. This day was commemorated by doing a march around the Hospital singing "I TB ayinandawo la ! (there's no place for TB here!). All staff members as well as the patients were invited to join the march. Information pamphlets on TB prevention were distributed in all waiting areas. Educational talks in waiting areas were done to educate the public on TB prevention and treatment. Patients and staff were given an opportunity to ask questions and voice their concerns regarding TB treatment and prevention. During the march, it was clearly communicated that people must tolerate one another emphasizing on Zero stigma! Zero discrimination!

Based on statistics tuberculosis (TB) causes thousands of deaths every year around South Africa and through out the world. TB is second only to HIV/AIDS and the greatest killer worldwide due to a single infectious agent. Stanger Hospital is serving a community mostly affected with TB and HIV. Patients that are affected with TB are treated at Ekuphileni clinic. As stated in their mission statement which says "Ekuphileni clinic is committed to prevent TB/HIV & STI and to ensure that those who do contract TB/ HIV/ STI have easy access to effective and efficient high quality of diagnosis, treatment and care, that reduces suffering" Ekuphileni clinic is making a promise to their clients that when you are diagnosed with TB you will be initiated with treatment within 3 days.

The community including staff are encouraged to test for TB.

Together we can beat TB!



Staff attending Skills day at Stanger Hospital

On the 30th March 2016, the Department of Emergency Medicine at Stanger Regional Hospital conducted an Emergency Medicine Skills Day for doctors in the ILembe District. It was well received and attended by over 30 clinicians.

Recognizing that emergency medicine is a difficult field, and that many doctors working in these environments are from other departments, and do not have exposure to the emergency department regularly, the consultants in the department realized that there was a need to provide this training to assist doctors with refreshing their skills in various aspects of emergency care.

The department is constantly striving to provide best evidence-based care, and provide such care sometimes through difficult circumstances. Proper knowledge and skills form the cornerstone to effective and efficient resuscitation and stabilization of the emergency patient.

The department further hopes that with this, as with future such activities, doctors will be constantly kept up to date with their skills, and the patients in the district will always be assured of the best emergency care possible.



Beyond your matric certificate workshop

On the 11th April 2016 M.O.P (Maximum Output Institute) in partnership with Stanger Hospital hosted a Grade 12 Leadership Workshop where 23 students from Stanger were invited to participate in this one day Workshop. The 23 students, comprised of three (3) grade 12 learners from seven (7) different schools from the Stanger region. These schools included; Stanger South Secondary, Stanger Manor Secondary, Tskelenkosi Secondary, Nonhle Secondary school, Darnell Secondary just to mention a few.

The theme of this workshop was : " Beyond your matric certificate ". This workshop was aimed at empowering the learners with essential skills for matric and beyond.

The learners received talks about Study methods (Dr Karsipasad- internal medicine consultant), healthy living (Kelly and Zahra- dieticians), Identity and career guidance (Mrs. Mhlanga- director of PCS CLEANING Services), Leadership and personal story (Dr Mhlanga- intern at Stanger Hospital) and a talk about Sex and its consequences (Dr Haripasad- obstetrics and gynae- consultant), inspiration for learners to

become surgeon (Dr Khan– Surgical Consultant) and an address by the CEO of Stanger (Ms. R.T Ngco-bo) motivating the learners to pursue their dreams . This talk was then followed with a tour around the hospital wards (Surgical and Maternity ward). The students were impacted and inspired to dream and pursue their dream at all cost, not limited by their backgrounds. This event was sponsored by Check Out stores and PCS Cleaning Services.

Maximum Output Institute is a non-profit organization founded by Dr Mhlanga and his wife (Mpume Mhlanga- director and founder of PCS Cleaning Service). This organization's is aimed at developing and raising leaders who will redress the socio-economic issues of our country through the use of leadership seminars, motivational talks and career guidance.

Next event will be in the 27th August 2016, a Leadership Summit for the Grade 10s and 11 at Stanger Town Hall.



Pharmacy gives back to the community

Giving back to the community has become the culture of Stanger Hospital Pharmacy. This year, Mbozamo and Tshelenkosi Primary School pupil received new school uniform and school shoes donated by good Samaritans from Stanger Hospital pharmacy. Pharmacy staff have a passion of giving back to the community they serve. During the beginning of last year 2015, Stanger Pharmacy staff decided to fun raise and contribute from their own pockets in preparation for Pharmacy week in September. The first thought was to buy food parcels for the in -patients. Later, they realized that this will not benefit the whole community as their patients are not only in Hospital. They went to schools, to identify what else they can do for the community.

The first school that was approached was Mbozama Primary School, where they identified that some kids do not have school uniform. They were so touched by some of the leaners stories. One child was identified as having social and medical problems. Interventions was done by donating food parcels to the family and with the help of information desk personnel (Ms. Xoli Mthethwa) the child was referred and seen at Stanger Hospital ENT, where he is currently receiving treatment.

This year Pharmacy is inviting all staff members to join, this project. Departments such as Social workers are already on board.

Ubuntu is one of the values that, Pharmacy staff members believes in.



Family with donated food parcels

Siyixoxa ngezithombe!



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