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**KwaZulu-Natal College of Nursing:
“Lighting the spark of nursing”**

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Growing KwaZulu-Natal together

Benedictine Campus Newsletter



Opening Remarks by the Campus Principal Mrs. JF Zwane

The year 2024 was another year different from any other years for Benedictine Campus. A series of events supporting Nursing Education excellence and leadership prevailed. One of the milestones was the audit by the Council on Higher Education (CHE). The audit involved a lot of preparation which resulted into academic growth and development. The campus also witnessed the completion of the new nursing programs by the two cohorts of students i.e. three year Diploma in Nursing (R171) and the one year Advanced Diploma in Midwifery. The two cohorts met the South African Nursing Council (SANC) and CHE requirements and completed the programs on the 31 December 2024.

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Mandela Day and Nursing Career Exhibition

On 24 of July 2024 Benedictine Campus staff and students joined hands together with the local High School. The aim was to share information and guidance on taking a career in the Nursing Profession, motivate learners on the Nursing profession as a career of choice, to do sixty-seven minutes of the Mandela day. The program included information sharing, distribution of pamphlets to the learners. The learners also performed some entertainment activities. Additionally the Campus donated school shoes and sanitary pads to the school. The day was wrapped up by the planting of trees at the backyard of the school for shelter.



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Women's Day Celebrations

Benedictine Campus celebrated women's day on the 28th of August 2024 along side with Benedictine Hospital Staff. Miss XF Mbotho the Midwifery Lecturer communicated the purpose of the day. Women's capacitation was the order of the day. Women were capacitated on financial literacy, general health and reproductive health. The guest speaker Apostol F.S Ndaba motivated the women on self-empowerment basing it on the word of God. There was also a lot of entertainment activities including singing and dancing and hence it was a distressing moment for women who participated in the event. Women were well dressed in their various outfits and pinafores on the day.



HCF Conference

The Health Christian Fellowship (HCF) conference was held on the 17th August 2024 under the leadership of Mr. Hlazo. The HCF Provincial Structure shared the stage. They shared the word of God, gave a lecture on companionate Nursing and communicated the Vision and Mission of HCF. Other KZNCN Campuses attended the conference in support of HCF. The Charles Johnson Memorial, Madadeni, Ngwelezane and RK Khan campuses also supported and shared the activities done at their Campuses regarding HFC.



2024 Campus Fire Drill

The Campus Health and Safety committee conducted the fire drill on the 31st of July 2024. The aim of the exercise was to evaluate the readiness of the institution's emergency plan and evacuation process during an emergency. The exercise was executed successfully as evidenced by a safe and fast evacuation of the building.



Career Exhibition during uMkhosi Womhlanga

The Campus was part of the Nursing career exhibition at the Enyokeni Royal Palace at Nongoma on the 13th of September 2024. Pamphlets explaining the entry requirement to study nursing were distributed, Demonstration of nursing skills was the order of the day to the maidens and all attendees



2024 Graduation Ceremony

KwaZulu Natal College of Nursing hosted the annual graduation ceremony on the 19th of September 2024 at the Olive Convention Centre. The graduation is the culmination of all academic activities and recognition of excellence for both staff and students. Therefore the KwaZulu-Natal College of Nursing Management recognized best lecturers by awarding them with certificates and tokens of appreciation.



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2024 Exam Prayer

On the 18th of October 2024 an Exam Prayer was held at Benedictine Campus. The prayer was also attended by the clinical staff from Benedictine hospital. It has become a tradition to offer spiritual support to students before they seat for their final examination. A short program was followed and motivational speakers from Benedictine Hospital Mr. MW Magoso and Pastor Ndaba shared the word of God and encouraged the students to do the right thing and study for the exams.



PROGRAMME

EXAMINATION PRAYER

1 Peter 5 vs 7: Leave all your worries with him because he cares for you.

Date: 18 October 2024
Venue: Campus Hall
Time: 10h00

PROGRAMME DIRECTOR:

1. Opening Prayer
2. Welcoming of Guests :Mr SM Ngema
3. Motivational Speaker : Mr MW Magoso
4. Praise and worship
5. Welcoming of guest speaker : Principal
6. Word of God : Pastor Ndaba
7. Vote of thanks : Ms P Mhlongo
8. Closure

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