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KWADABEKA COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE



KwaDabeka Community Health Centre first group of staff members

with Dr Pendlyberry (centre) as the first Superintendent. (photo taken in 1977)

The Clinic started operating in Clermont Township in the 70's and due to space shortage it was then re-built by the then National Department of Health, Republic of South Africa in KwaDabeka. It was officially opened in the early 80's. Dr Pendlyberry was the first Superintendent and the only doctor in 1980.

Whilst in Clermont, the facility was popularly known as "Kwa 6 bhocho", which meant "60 cents" as patients were paying 60 cents for the services rendered. In 1980, this institution started with at least 45 staff in comparison with today's staff of more than 354. Excluding 6 satellite clinics, KwaDabeka CHC serve a total of 32000 patients a month (headcount-January 2013). The next referral district hospitals are R. K Khan and St. Mary's. All 19 Local Authority Clinics in the West District of eThekweni are supported by KwaDabeka Community Health Centre.

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