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MARCH AGAINST ANTI-BACKSTREET ABORTION IN JOZINI TOWN

On the 21st of August 2019, UMkhanyakude District conducted campaign against illegally abortion hosted by Othobothini CHC. The march was led by the District Director of UMkhanyakude Health District : Ms. M.P Themba together with community leaders and Inter Departmental stakeholders of Jozini which were: Jozini Local Municipality, SAPS, and NGO's. The participates were roving around town and removing posters that advertises backstreet abortion.

The purpose was to caution the community about the dangers of doing termination of pregnancy without consulting healthcare facilities.

Moreover, members of the community were educated on how to take of themselves and the importance of visiting the healthcare facilities. Deputy of Jozini local Municipality Cllr. N Myeni and induna Mr B. Myeni also encouraged the community to stop consulting people who are not trained for termination of pregnancy rather visit government healthcare facilities for safe termination of pregnancy.

However, the department of health encourages women to use different contraceptives methods such as injectable, condoms, implanon etc.

Thumbs up to all stakeholders and healthcare workers who were present for the team spirit and a good participation.



Above: District Director M.P Themba removing posters against backstreet aborting.

BACKGROUND OF THIS CAMPAIGN

UMkhanyakude Health District partnering with Jozini Local Municipality and other social partners embarked 2019. This campaign was originally launched by KZN Department of Health in 2015 to fight against illegal abortions which pose a health risk to young mothers and women.

These illegal abortion providers are found in the street corners distributing the illegal abortion pamphlets nearly all street walls and lamp posts in many small towns including Jozini. The adverts are professing of this advertising, and the fact that it is posted in public spaces such as taxi ranks and shopping Centre's in services.

Yet the illegal abortion has the following dangers:

- Severe Bleeding
- Damaged Womb
- Tearing of the mouth of the womb
- Sever damage to private parts and stomach Blood poisoning
- Risk of infertility and ectopic pregnancy
- Miscarriage or premature delivery in other pregnancies
- Death

The campaign aimed at discouraging women to use such practitioners and alternatively visit department termination of pregnancy.



Participants singing loud a song against illegally abortion

PHOTO GALLERY



GOVERNMENTAL DEPARTMENTS INTERGRATION



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