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THE HEARTBEAT

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AT THE HEART OF HEALTHCARE

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SPECIAL EDITION - COVID 19

From the CEO's desk

Dr LJ Sobekwa



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May his soul rest in peace.

This is a trying time for all health care workers amidst the pandemic, constrained resources and management would like to acknowledge all your commitment and effort from staff to deliver quality services to our patients. Your dedication to fight and forge forward is noticed and appreciated. You are encouraged to please make use of the following services available to you, EAP, social workers and clinical psychology.

Please accept our gratitude for all the good work carried out by the hospital family.



The Late Mr SR Ndimiso

*THE LORD GOD SHALL NOT LEAVE NOR FORSAKE YOU – NIV bible:
- Hebrews 13vs5; Joshua 1vs5; Deuteronomy 31vs6 and Isaiah 55vs11 ESV.
God does not lie!*

Stay safe, be strong and pray steadfastly.

THIS TOO SHALL PASS!

RK KHAN PREPAREDNESS FOR COVID-19

This newsletter aims to provide staff and our community at large with a transparent and up-to-date picture of the effect of Covid-19 in the community with which we serve as Chatsworth is one of the areas identified as “Hot Spots” for Coronavirus.

SCREENING FOR STAFF

All staff are to be screened for Covid-19 at their respective departments twice daily by having their temperature taken and answer the questionnaire. This must be done while signing the register and sign a separate register confirming screening. Any staff member, who feel that they are a suspect case, should immediately contact their supervisor and proceed to Occupational Health Clinic where staff will be assessed.

PATIENTS

The pandemic has grown to such an extend in the country that the hospital is now engaging in Mass Screening and Testing for COVID-19. There are a number of entry points to the hospital where testing is taking place for patients, as follows: Hospital Main Gate, Gateway Clinic, Emergency & Trauma Unit Stoma Clinic, Covid-19Ward M3 and TB Focal Point.

A Flu Clinic has been established in our facility . The purpose of establishing the flu clinic is to ensure that all clients entering our facilities are screened for COVID-19 in order to limit the spread of the virus thus protecting our patients and staff. The community has now been made aware of the Flu Clinic concept; which is now the first point of entry, where clients are screened for COVID-19 and triaged accordingly. Clients that are found to be symptomatic are redirected for further clinical examination and investigation. It is important that all clients are screened before entry to any health facility as precautionary measure to combat the transmission of COVID-19 within our facilities.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT. (PPE)

The subject of PPE has been one that we have heard about continuously in the media since the first case of Covid-19 was reported in the country. It is incumbent of management to protect staff as per National guideline which prescribes which PPE to be worn by staff. PPE includes surgical mask, N95 mask, visors, gloves, aprons, gowns, hair net and sterile disposable suits. Guideline further indicate which PPE should be worn where.

Below are examples of PPE

- ◆ Porters escorting patients to M3 - Gloves + surgical mask + visor & apron
- ◆ Nurses and doctors managing TB patients - N 95 mask
- ◆ Frontline staff screening patients at entry points - N 95 + visor + gloves + apron
- ◆ Support staff (porters, work shop, messengers, kitchen) - Gloves + surgical mask + visor + apron

Follow the link below for a very informative video on how to don and doff PPE.
<http://portal.kznhealth.gov.za/components/ipc/Videos/Don-Doff.mp4>



#SIZOYINQOBA I-CORONAVIRUS



Security guards must spray patients hands at all entry points .



Chairs in the waiting areas spaced out to ensure social distancing.



The path way at the Main gate has been marked for patient to adhere to social distancing



Top: The 1500 seater marquee sponsored by the Chatsworth Youth Centre to manage CCMDD patients . Below: Volunteers from the Youth Centre who assist in crowd control & social distancing .



HOSPITAL COVID-19 INFORMATION **UPDATE UP TO 12 MAY 2020.**

LATEST INFORMATION.

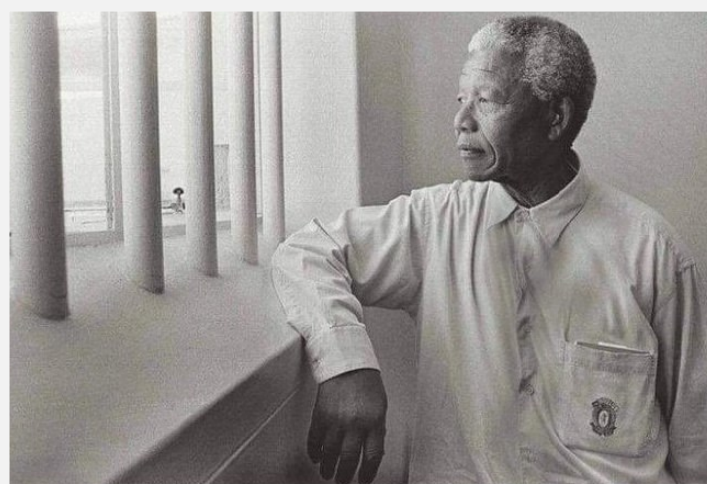
Total number of suspects tested for Covid 19 since day 1 till 12 MAY 2020	1786
Total number of positive patients (1 transferred to Greys Hospital + 1 demised)	2
Total number of patients in COVID isolation ward	5
Total number of COVID suspects in P5	2
Total number of COVID patients on ventilator	0
Total number of staff tested	882
Total number of staff Tested COVID positive	1
Total number of staff in quarantine.	1

All staff are expected to test for COVID-19 and will be tested in Occupation Health Clinic. This will be done as a mass screening exercise because the areas which RK Khan Hospital is surrounded by have been identified as Covid-19 HOTSPOTS and a large portion of our employees reside in Hotspots such as Shallcross, Crossmoor, Silverglen or Chatsworth.

SOCIAL MEDIA / FAKE NEWS.

Staff are requested not to rely on social media for information, instead communicate with the PRO or IPC should you wish to clarify any matter.

If staff have any questions regarding COVID-19 and level of their risk, to please see the nurse at Occupational Health for assessment.



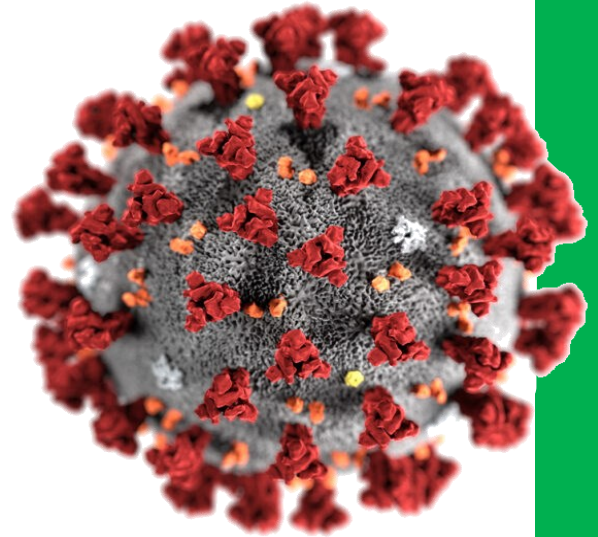
In isolation for 27 years. No family, luxuries, phone. Just hope and a vision. We can do this.. 🍊🙏

COVID-19 was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization (WHO). On the 05th March 2020 South Africa confirmed its first case.

To ensure that our facility was prepared to deal with the pandemic, a task team was immediately put in place and they have been involved in ensuring that we as a facility are abreast of all the developments of the Covid-19 pandemic and that we take on a proactive approach instead of a reactive one.

A quarantine ward was identified, which is sufficiently stocked and equipped to isolate Covid-19 positive cases whilst awaiting transfer to the designated Covid-19 Hospitals.

The Joint Operation Centre (JOC) committee was established which includes stakeholders from the various department within the facility who meet regularly to discuss all new developments taking place outside and within our facility, thereby ensuring timeous planning and action.



COVID-19 STATISTICS IN SA

				
386352	12074	4745	219	724
TESTS CONDUCTED	POSITIVE CASES IDENTIFIED	RECOVERIES	DEATHS	NEW CASES

Our Infection, Prevention and Control (IPC) team has worked tirelessly to ensure that staff are appropriately trained to respond to the demands that COVID-19 will have. Training included general workers/orderlies, porters, security, nursing and medical personnel.



Learn more to Be READY for #COVID19:
www.sacoronavirus.co.za

NICD Hotline: 0800 029 999
 WhatsApp 'Hi' to 0600 123 456

KZN Health MEC hits out against COVID-19 stigma

KwaZulu-Natal Health MEC Ms Nomagugu Simelane-Zulu has called for the eradication of stigma against people who have been diagnosed with COVID - 19.

This follows the burning of tyres outside Untunjambili Hospital, near KwaDukuza, by community members who are angry, following the admission of 10 patients who are COVID - 19 positive at the hospital. MEC Simelane-Zulu says the unrest is uncalled-for, and may be a symptom of a lack of understanding of COVID - 19, which needs to change.

"As part of curbing the spread of COVID - 19, we as Government have a responsibility to create as much capacity as possible for the quarantining, isolation and treatment of patients.

Bringing patients who are COVID - 19 positive to this hospital does not pose a threat to the community if all clinical guidelines for Infection Prevention and Control are followed by staff, which both staff and management has a responsibility to ensure.

"We need to get used to the fact that COVID - 19 is here, and it is part of our lives. As society - and not just Government alone - we need to focus on demystifying the virus, and rather use our energy to create awareness on what its symptoms are, as well as what those who display them need to do."

"We therefore appeal to our fellow compatriots to calm down, and desist from protesting because gathering in large groups is in itself illegal, as it constitutes a violation of lockdown regulations."

(Extracted from KZN Health Intranet/Media Release - 23 April 2020 www.kznhealth.gov.za)





KWAZULU-NATAL PROVINCE
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

LOOK OUT FOR COVID-19 SCREENING AND TESTING

IN YOUR AREA

ETHEKWINI DISTRICT



MS NKOMOQOBU MKHELANE-JALI
MEC FOR HEALTH

**LET'S SUPPORT
AND WELCOME
HEALTHCARE
WORKERS**

WHO WILL BE VISITING
OUR HOMES FOR THE
COVID-19 SCREENING
AND TESTING

**10-16
MAY 2020**

Siyayinqoba

**CORONA
VIRUS**
COVID-19

**GROWING
KWAZULU-NATAL
TOGETHER**

**24HR NICD HOTLINE
0800 029 999**

**PROVINCIAL HOTLINE
033 846 6000**

**WHATSAPP NUMBER
060 012 3456**

SUB-DISTRICT	DATE	AREAS TO BE VISITED
LOWER SOUTH: CLUSTER 1		
	10-16/05/2020	Umlazi Y, Z, U, P, Amanzimtoti, Adams, Doonside, Isiphingo, Malukazi, KwaMakhutha, Malls, Door to Door, Taxi Ranks
SOUTH CENTRAL: CLUSTER 2		
CHATSWORTH	10-16/05/2020	Phola Park, Welbadacht, Bayview
SOUTH CENTRAL: CLUSTER 3		
OVERPORT / MUSGRAVE / CATO MANOR	10-16/05/2020	Overport, Cato Manor, Mayville, Glenwood, Morningside, Berea, Bluff, Merewent, Brighton Beach, Musgrave Areas Door to Door, Shopping Centres/ Malls and Taxi Ranks
NORTH: CLUSTER 4		
PHOENIX, TONGAAT, INANDA	10-16/05/2020	Avoca Hills, Newlands West, Inanda, Inanda Glebe, Magwaveni, Hambanathi Door to Door, Taxi Ranks and Shopping Centres/ Malls
WEST: CLUSTER 5		
WYEBANK, NEW GERMANY	10-16/05/2020	Wybank, Motala Band, The Worlds, Savana Park, Berkshire Downs, Door to Door S & Taxi Ranks

ON A LIGHTER NOTE...

Haibo That's it? Nothing about bottle stores? #cyrilramaphosa

Meanwhile, Inside the fridge



How Police in uniform walk when they skip the queues at Supermarkets, ATM's and Banks during lockdown.



I Hope KFC Is Using This 21 Day Lockdown To Fix That Gravy Recipe.





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