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UMKHANYAKUDE HEALTH DISTRICT ALSO ACCEPTED THE GLOBAL #JERUSALEMADANCECHALLENGE



Umkhanyakude Health District also joined the **#jerusalemadancechallenge**.

Little did everybody knew that Dr Harvey Williams had proper moves, the only male who participated in the dance.

There were even amazing voshos moves by Mercy & Fatima which made every spectator desire for more partying. Indeed this magical song relieved stress of dealing with Covid-19.

Although District Director couldn't be seen but she was the main dance coach. In the entire district competition, Bethesda video won beating Manguzi and District Office

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Umbungazo wenyanga yamasiko eMkhanyakude



Ihhovisi leZempilo eMkhanyakude libungaze inyanga yaMagugu namaSiko mhla zingama 30 September 2020. Phela le sifunda sisemngceleni wamazwe I Mozambique kanye nase Swatini; ngakho ke kulo mbungazo kubonakale izinhlobonhlobo zamasiko ezintweni eziningi njenge: zingubo zokugqoka/imvunulo, ukudla, umculo nokunye okuningi. Kwakumnandi, kukuhle kudelile kudliwa ukudla kwesintu njenga: madumbe, usu, ubukwakwa, ubhatata, amahlala nezinye izinhlobo zokudla eziningi. Umcimbi lo wahlonishwa nawubukhosi bakwa Ntsinde imbala lapho umntwana u Bongani Myeni wanikeza umlando wesizwe sakwa Myeni.



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Project KHAEDU in Umkhanyakude

Project Khaedu (Service Delivery) visit at UMKhanyakude Health District took place between 28 September 2020 to 02 October 2020. Project Khaedu has been designed to prepare managers for site visits at the coalface of service delivery. “Khaedu” means Challenge in “Tshi-Venda”, and Project Khaedu has been designed as an action learning programme to empower managers, through various processes of learning reinforcement and practice, to bring about change within their own area of operational control.

Senior Managers from various departments visited Hlabisa, Bethesda, Mosvold hospitals and Othobothini CHC as part of monitoring the service delivery. Focus was on Batho Pele; audit was done to establish if all Batho Pele principles are properly implemented. This is an annual project, next year similar visits will be done to check if progress would have been made on challenges identified this year.



Social partners and business support a fight against Covid-19



District Director receiving donation from Old Mutual



District Director and Umkhanyakude Hospitals CEOs receiving donation from Africa Foundation & Beyond

Covid-19 pandemic attracted solidarity between government, social partners and business. Umkhanyakude benefitted from business and partners who felt the responsibility to participate in a fight against Covid-19. Africa Foundation & Beyond is one of esteemed Umkhanyakude Health District partners; the foundation has in the past contributed to extension of Mduku Clinic in Big 5 Hlabisa Local Municipality; but during this time, they donated massive supplies related to Covid-19 such as sanitizers, masks, goggles and many other PPE items. Old Mutual also has a good relationship with the district office; the company has in the past supported sporting activities for staff, donated to Early Childhood Development centre in Umhlabuyalingana, which was visited by KZN Premier Mr Sihle Zikalala. This time, Old Mutual donated masks to staff as part of supporting their quest of fighting Covid-19.

Sanitization of offices after Covid-19 cases



Umkhanyakude Health District has been fortunate enough to have 100% Covid-19 recoveries. This was due to a number of factors such as provision of PPE to staff, health education and promotion and sticking to all preventative measures. The district office with malaria control programme worked with Jozini Local Municipality to provide cleansing and sanitization of offices after every discovery of Covid-19 case to stop the spread of the virus. Such activities has put covid-19 cases of the office at a standstill. Health education is ongoing to staff to ensure that they are empowered with correct information to protect themselves, fellow colleagues and their families.

Bicycle model programme reaching out to remote areas



Bicycle model assisting in distribution of chronic medication to stable patients and prevent them from exposure of COVID-19.

It is known that Covid-19 infects people of all ages. But there is evidence that suggests that two groups of people are at a higher risk of getting severe Covid-19 disease. Those are old people above the age of 60 and people with underlying medical conditions (such as cardiovascular disease, diabetes, chronic respiratory disease and cancer). In the light of this situation, Umkhanyakude Health District has been fortunate to have bicycle model introduced. Through this programme, chronic medication for stable patients is delivered at their homesteads which prevents them from going to a clinic; this assists in reducing possible queues in a clinic and prevent patients who are at risk from getting Covid-19.

District Command Council oversight at Nkolokotho water scheme



It is known that fight against Covid-19 requires hygiene. It is noted that in order to cut Covid-19 spread, one of key activities is handwashing. The District Command Council for Umkhanyakude led by the Mayor Cllr T.S. Mkhombo visited Nkolokotho Water scheme to monitor the progress of activities that should result in distribution of water in that part of community under Mtubatuba Local Municipality. The DCC has involved itself in many activities since the beginning of Covid-19 pandemic such as conducting compliance programmes in Covid-19 regulations in supermarkets, public areas, and roads.

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Health Promotion campaign in Umkhanyakude



Health education session conducted by Mosvold Hospital in Ingwavuma

Information is power; Umkhanyakude Health District has embarked on several health promotional activities to create awareness on Covid-19. Activities include slots in local radio stations, izimbizos, visiting churches, traditional authorities et cetera. Community members are being educated to implement preventative measures such as washing hands, social distancing, wearing of masks and obeying lockdown regulations. As the lockdown regulations have been eased, it is needed more than before to educate community even more and strengthen awarenesses to prevent the possible second wave.



Health Promoter Mrs L Gumede conducting health education at church



From Right: Inkosi MM Mngomezulu, Induna and Mosvold CEO during community engagement.



Ms T.D. Maphumulo, Mr. B.P Fakude and Mr. V.A. Zikhali at Maputaland community radio



District Health & Safety committee conducted risk assessment at Manguzi Hospital



On 15th October 2020 District Occupational Health and Safety Committee visited Manguzi Hospital to support the facility and also learn best practices on matters of safety. The team conducted risk assessment at the hospital and recommended solutions that can be implemented to safeguard the safety of staff, patients and everyone in hospital premises.

It is important that work related hazards, risk and dangers should be addressed by good communication and cooperation between management and employees through the work of Occupational Health & Safety Committees to ensure conducive work environment.

District oversight in hospitals and clinics



As part of ensuring the effective district health system, support on variety of programmes is constantly provided to district hospitals and primary health care facilities to increase their capacity of providing health services to patients and community members.

District Infection Prevention & Control (IPC) Manager Mr. V.A. Zikhali (pictured) providing support visit at Mkuze, Nkundusi, and Macabuzela clinics. IPC is one KZN Department of Health' Six Priorities and it is a scientific approach and practical solution designed to prevent harm caused by infection to patients and health workers. It also is an important part of patient safety and quality of care.

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- 1 Wash hands
- 2 Don't touch face
- 3 Keep 1,5m apart
- 4 Cover your cough
- 5 Sick? Stay home

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