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# **KING CETSHWAYO DISTRICT NEWS**



**King Cetshwayo District Achievements Service Excellence Awards 2022/2023 were about glitter and glamour**



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**T**he health of our community within the district is important and a priority to health care workers. Therefore the Department of Health has prioritized Primary Health Care (PHC) services with an extension of Community Based Services (CBS). The District has increased the number of nurses visiting households within the catchment population of each clinic. The schools are also visited by School Health Teams (SHT) to provide preventative and promotive health services.

It is therefore crucial that the above mentioned personnel is known by key stakeholders where they are working. The school health teams were involved in the measles and HPV campaigns in February and March 2023. Qoqoqo campaigns are scheduled by the very same teams on quarterly basis.

The fruits of having these teams are being realized to some extents, as they discovered health challenges at schools and household level at early stages. These service are crucial to the historical disadvantaged and unemployed individuals, families and communities



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**The second edition of King Cetshwayo Health District Service Excellence Awards 2022/23,**

the first awards were hosted in 2019, the disturbed by COVID 19 pandemic there off the following financial years. The primary objective is to recognize and reward excellence to King Cetshwayo health facilities for excelling in different segments of service provision. The recognition and rewarding of performance excellence is one of the greatest motivations for employees, especially in a highly challenging environment such as the public health sector. These awards serve to motivate the recipients, the health facilities and the District as a whole. Health services deals with diversity of health related issues and Programs on a daily basis, there is much emphasis on issues that go wrong and very little is said or done to acknowledge lot of good work, the excellent performers and the best practices that prevail in certain areas and facilities of the district.

The aim of the awards is to recognize and reward personnel/facilities/discipline/units/groups for service excellence and ultimately result in better health outcomes, which is one of the imperatives of public health sector. The King Cetshwayo District Health Annual Awards were held on the 25th of May 2023, at Empangeni Civic Centre. These awards are aimed to serve as a mechanism to promote healthy competition amongst personnel/facilities in order to motivate them to perform better moving forward. The intention is that the awards will be held on an annual basis.

The awards are non-monetary awards to encourage improved service delivery by recognizing and rewarding health institutions, teams, that performs better than all the rest. To utilize the nominees and awardees as role models to assist others to improve their performance and ultimately enhance service delivery. Awards are used as a tool to encourage and motivate employees to strive for consistent improvement in service delivery, also used as a mode to encourage discipline, commitment to do right and inculcate a culture of learning, innovation and excellence.

Serve as the mechanism to promote healthy competition amongst personnel/health facilities in order to motivate them to perform better as we go forward. Most of the awards were desk top information performance for 2022/2023 Financial year. Below is a snapshot of some of the awards:

Effective Complaints management at PHC level	King Dinizulu Clinic.
Effective Complaints management at Hospital level	Ngwelezana Tertiary Hospital
Performance in OHSC on the latest assessments	Queen Nandi Regional Hospital
Performance in OHSC on the latest assessments	PHC- Ngwelezana Tertiary Hospital
Facility with high viral load suppression rate. High volume	Mpandleni Clinic
Facility with high viral load suppression rate. Low volume	Thubalethu Clinic
Effective Overtime Management	Queen Nandi Regional Hospital

# DASEA 22/23 PHOTO GALLERY





**K**ZN MEC for Health, Ms Nomagugu Simelane, will on Sunday 25 June 2023, in Partnership with Siyabonga Sangweni Foundation hold a community Imbizo to engage the destitute communities who has been calling for different services from the government under the OSS umbrella including Isibhedlela Kubantu. One of the Department of Health's core preventive care measure and mandate is that of engaging, informing and educating the public through Community Outreach Programmes on health matters. Evidence shows that adolescents face a number of health and social challenges, which puts them at a higher risk of unwanted pregnancy, unsafe abortion and sexually transmitted infections and substance abuse. The province has a significantly high rate of drug abuse, teenage pregnancy and other social ills, which often go with unemployment and poverty. Through this programme the community and the youth in particular will be encouraged to play an active role in their respective communities when it comes to addressing social ills such as substance and drug abuse, teenage pregnancy, crime, and rape. Through Isibhedlela Kubantu the public is encouraged to use health services. MEC will also ensure that vulnerable community very far from our health institutions enjoy all health service, strategically focusing on HIV prevention and STIs. This gathering will also serve to alert the public about gender-based violence; Cholera, mumps, malaria alert; vaccination programme; sexual assaults and crimes. It will also share the challenges that are faced by vulnerable people in their household and in the community where they live. It is also aimed at encouraging people to lead a healthy lifestyle by sticking to a balanced diet and by taking care of their bodies through physical exercise and training.

SERVICE RENDERED	QUANTITY SEEN
Headcount total	176
TB Screening services	140
TB positive	01
HIV testing services	33
Prep initiations	03
Minor ailments	142
Eye care services	60
Nutritional services	15
Family planning services	01
Cervical cancer services	16
X-ray services	26
Medical services	12
Covid vaccination	07
Dental services	18



## Dondotha IsiBhedlela kuBantu Photo Gallery



# King Cetshwayo District TB Blitz at Mvutshini Obanjeni under Catherine Booth District Hospital

**C**atherine Booth District Hospital is located in uMlalazi sub-district and this facility is having TB high loss to follow up rate around 14% with death rate of 18%. King Cetshwayo District TB Management team decided to coordinate all TB teams under King Cetshwayo District to converge in few community areas under Catherine Booth for case finding activity through a TB Blitz project. This was done with an aim of maximizing efforts and increase coverage scope to track, trace and find missing cases at a community level. This Blitz was conducted during World TB month which is March of every year. TB Blitz Campaign was coordinated on the 13th to the 17th of March 2023 to sensitize, create and increase awareness of the scourge of TB, Covid 19 and HIV around the catchment area of Catherine Booth District Hospital in two areas which is Mvutshini under Nzuza Tribal Authority and Obanjeni under Ogagwini Tribal Authority.

The critical objectives of this TB Blitz were to find missing TB/HIV patients in these identified communities through a door to door program approach. As indicated before that these areas under Catherine Booth District Hospital has a high number of loss to follow up TB clients in these areas was going to assist in tracing of TB contacts, find TB clients who have been lost to follow up. Empowerment of these communities with information about TB and HIV, so that community members can make informed decisions and easily able to identify signs & symptoms of TB and come forward for screening and testing. Promotion of TB and HIV treatment compliance, promote prevention strategies of contracting TB: Open Windows, Cough Hygiene and adoption of healthy lifestyle, Preventative Therapy for HIV positive people.

**THE EXPECTED OUTCOMES WERE:** An increased awareness about TB, an increased awareness of the importance of treatment adherence, Addressing issues that prevent people from retaining in care and Enhanced awareness on preventative measures to prevent the spread of TB.

## ACTIVITIES DURING TB BLITZ.

- TB/HIV screening and testing services.
- Chronic disease screening.
- Onsite chest X-ray.



Door to door TB/HIV screening and testing  
Promote TB preventative treatment.

## TB BLITZ Statistical Outcomes:

- Total household visited-200
- Total number of people seen-450
- Total number of people screened for TB-450
- Total number of people screened for TB using Chest Xray-48
- Total number of people tested for TB-398
- Total number of people tested for HIV-00
- Total number of people tested positive for TB-4
- Total number of people tested positive for HIV-00
- Total number of people initiated/referred for TB treatment-04 and total IEC material distributed-500.



# PHOTO GALLERY FOR TB BLITZ



Above: TB teams from all King Cetshwayo District hospitals with Catherine Both District Management led by Mrs. BR Msomi , Hospital CEO.



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# JUNE MEN'S HEALTH MONTH



**June** is Men's Health Month! During the month of June, we are challenging men to "get up and go," whether it's going to exercise, getting screened or eating a healthy meal. **DRAFT OF MEN'S HEALTH SERVICES IN KING CETSHWAYO DISTRICT**

King Cetshwayo Health district has 5 clinics dedicated to men's health namely Nseleni CHC under City of UMhlatuze, with its site located inside Nseleni Taxi Rank, this clinic is run by a male clinician Monday to Wednesday attending to all male conditions within his scope and making referrals where necessary, the Thursday and Friday He attends specifically a men's health project called Voluntary male medical circumcision. Thokozani clinic under the City of UMhlatuze with its site located inside Thokozani clinic with a dedicated male clinician attending to only males in their consulting room, the clinic runs Monday to Friday. Melmoth clinic under Mthonjaneni Local Municipality with a consulting room inside the facility that is dedicated to males,

this clinic runs Monday to Friday. Mpandleni clinic at Nkandla Local Municipality with a male clinician dedicated to assist male clients Monday to Friday. Eshowe Phila Ndoda clinic at Umlalazi Local Municipality, the site is located inside the the taxi rank and is run by male clinicians Monday to Friday. Ongoing plans are underway to expand these services in the entire district.

Amongst other male targeted interventions the district have 6 Sub-district male circumcision coordinators employed permanently and 5 traditional coordinators employed on the contract basis which work with contracted doctors and Ngo's in our district in scaling up male medical circumcision. Above 14000 males were circumcised in the last financial year alone.

## THE IMPORTANCE OF OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY

What is Occupational health and safety (OHS) is the practice that deals with safety, welfare, and social wellbeing of workers in all occupations. Hence, providing a safe working environment for staff is a legal and human resource responsibility.

The International Labour Organization (ILO) estimates that every year around 2.3 million workers around the world face fatal circumstances due to work related accidents that is why public and private sector organizations throughout the world are increasingly concerned with improving occupational health and safety.

The rapid pace of technological and natural changes, combined with the persistence of unsafe and environmentally threatening workings conditions, has served to focus attention on the requirement to make a secure, healthy operating environment, and push coherent safety culture within the workplace.

### Why is Occupational health and safety program important?

Help including to identifying hazards in the workplace and determining the risk associated with them, designing the facility and management program to reduce risks associated with the hazards, and communicating hazard identification, risk assessment, and appropriate safety measures to all employees.



## Safety Corner through safety eyes of Mr. Delani Dladla

The staff needs to know that management is concerned about their welfare, for both new and long-established institutions.

The implementation of occupational health and safety standards helps the institutions to reduce the workplace incidents, to find possible safety concerns before they cause an accident. Also the reduction of absenteeism and staff turnover by managing health and safety hazards in the work place more effectively. Lastly it helps with the prevention of potential Patient Safety Incidents in the facilities which can lead to health hazards and litigations there off .

# EMS and FPS Wellness days

**T**he numbers of trauma cases in KwaZulu Natal are claiming lives of the province's citizens. These fatalities account for most of the unnatural deaths in KwaZulu Natal. The financial year end of 2021 saw KZN province recording 289 fatalities; the release of statistics of road fatalities for the financial year end 2019/2020. The Province recorded 289 fatalities from 1 December 2020 to 11 January 2021. All these statistics show how much emotionally and psychologically burdened our Emergency Medical Services and Forensic Pathology Services. The spiritual and psychosocial support was launched by Employee and Wellness Directorate in King Cetshwayo District on the 5th of May 2023 at King Dinuzulu Hall in Eshowe.

This service is performed by paramedics on the scene of the accident or unnatural incident. Paramedics perform rescue operations of person (s) and or certify the death. If death has occurred, the second cohort of healthcare workers take over. Forensic Pathology Services personnel are responsible for the removal and transportation of the deceased to the Forensic Mortuary for the administration of Post mortem. Critical in all of this is that all of the duties associated with Emergency medical rescue services and Forensic Pathology Services are traumatic in nature. The EMS and FPS workforce face this fate for the most part of their work.



## EMPLOYEE HEALTH AND WELLNESS STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK

The Employee Health and Wellness Strategy Framework for the Public Service (EH&WSF) asserts that the integration of individual health, safety and wellness, organizational wellness, environmental sustainability, quality management is linked to productivity and improved service delivery.

The Vision for the EH&WSF further dictates that there should be programs to develop and maintain healthy, dedicated, responsive and productive employees within the Public Service who can add value within public organization.

## AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The Employee Health and Wellness Unit aim to rollout the Psycho-Social Support Roadshows to Forensic Pathology laboratories and Emergency Medical Rescue Services sites identified as having a bigger intake of road fatalities during the festive season.



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