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Prince Nhlanganiso Zulu Has Urged The Rural Community Of eDumbe To Take Charge Of Their Health Well Being During A Community March And Isibaya Samadoda Activation In The Tholakele Area



HRH Prince Nhlanganiso Zulu with CEO for eDumbe CHC Dr. Ndllovu chats with young adolescents males at eDumbe CHC before the gatherings.



6 months to kick TB photo with HRH Prince Nhlanganiso Zulu, Deputy Directors for MMC & HIV prevention Mr Sibusiso Gasa and Petra Zama together with district Program managers and eDumbe CHC management and Partners.

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HEALTH activist Prince Nhlanganiso Zulu has urged the men of rural eDumbe and the whole of KZN to get tested for HIV, circumcise, and get screened for TB. Prince Nhlanganiso, who is a medical male circumcision campaigner and TB ambassador in the KZN Department of Health, was speaking during Isibaya Samadoda (a community dialogue targeting men) in the rural village of Tholakele in eDumbe. The gathering took place on Friday the 14th July 2017, and saw at least 40 boys get medically circumcised. Prince Nhlanganiso, a former professional soccer player for Amazulu FC, encouraged men to get circumcised as this has many health benefits for both males and females. He emphasized the key health benefits of circumcisions to men. "There are many benefits to circumcision. Among them is good hygiene, and it also reduces the chances of getting a sexually transmitted infection and also the chances of your partner contracting cervical cancer," He also said that once circumcised, it is important for men to always use a condom, as circumcision does not mean people cannot be infected with HIV and sexually transmitted diseases. The Prince also related to the audience how he spent almost a year in hospital suffering from TB, which he described as a deadly but curable disease. He urged men to take charge of their own health and get a health screening at the local clinic – without waiting until they are sick. The Thokoza hall was packed by local community men, youth and traditional and political leadership, as well as Dumbe CHC management and District programme managers. Inkosi Dlamini thanked the Prince for his commitment in the fight against social ills and in advocating for men to be and adopt a more health-conscious lifestyle. The prince also led a march to highlight violence and social ills in the community, while encouraging men to be positive role models who protect and uphold the rights of women and children. Dr. Happiness Ndlovu, CEO for eDumbe Community Health Center, thanked the Prince and the Deputy Directors for Medical Male Circumcision & HIV* Prevention, Mr Sibusiso Gasa and Ms. Petra Zama for the visit and continued support to the sub-district. After the event, the men received a health screening, some informative health material, and a pack of MAX condoms.



Men during the Isibaya Samadoda activation in Tholakele community hall.



Mr. Loius Nkwanyana chairperson for Operation Sukuma Sakhe eDumbe Local Task Team was also present during the social ills march and Samadoda activation.



Beneficiaries of the MMC camp. At least 40 boys were circumcised during the Friday 14th July 2017 MMC camp at eDumbe CHC.



Mr Sifiso Xulu, Communications manager for Zululand Health District Office seen engaging with traditional local leadership of Tholakele area Inkosi Dlamini and Induna.



Local gospel artist pose for a picture before the social ills march in Tholakele, eDumbe Municipality.



Program managers for Zululand Health District Mrs. Pride Mseleku hugged by Dr. Ndlovu CEO for eDumbe CHC with Mrs. BNC Mbatha.



March against social ills led by HRH Prince Nhlanganiso Zulu.