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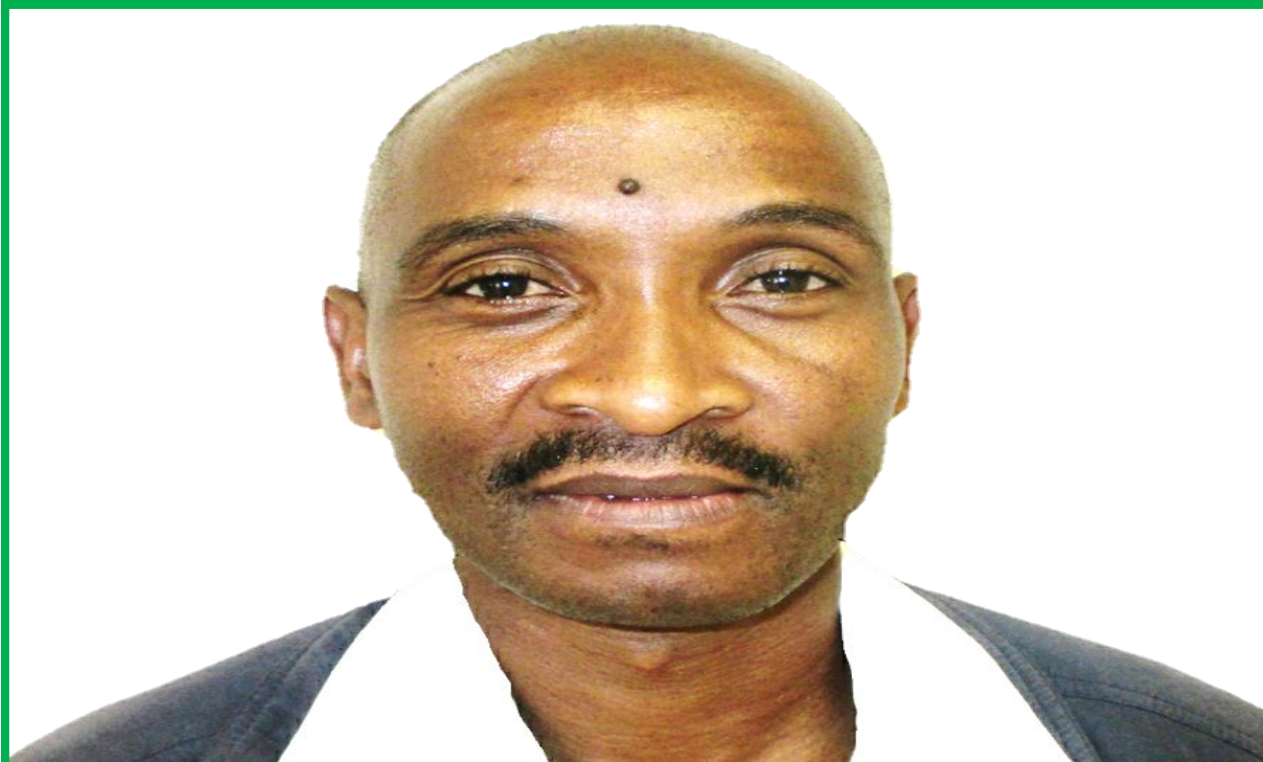
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MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



MR. S.P.N MKHWANAZI
Acting Chief Executive Officer

A warm welcome to all the colleagues in the Department and readers of our newsletter. We are issuing this newsletter during the very trying times health-wise in the era of Covid-19. I wish to reiterate the basic messages to everyone out there to contribute in the efforts to curb the spread of the disease:

Stay at home

Wash/ sanitize your hands for at least 20 seconds

Practise social distancing

Practise cough etiquette

Use PPE correctly.

Hlabisa hospital management and staff worked hard in the past 5 months gearing themselves for Covid-19. Training was conducted to the hospital and clinics including EMRS. In Big 5 Hlabisa sub-district 3 screening and 2 tracer teams were established while at Mtubatuba sub-district on 3 screening teams were established.

In terms of infrastructure the facility had no isolation and no quarantine facilities. Through internal engagements it was decided to convert the underutilized MDR TB ward into isolation ward for confirmed Covid-19 cases.

The suspects were accommodated in the side-wards of the medical wards however as the numbers grew, it was not workable to keep them there and pressure was mounting to find suitable accommodation for them. Eventually the recreational hall was sacrificed for this purpose.

The 1st case was among the group of French tourists way back in March and was transferred to Manguzi hospital as there was no isolation at that time. The first admission at Hlabisa was around 6 June, a patient who tested at Ilembe District who was visiting home during window that was opened for travelling during the lock down. Since then we have been receiving cases and the figures have gone in of 500 for the confirmed cases. Sadly the deaths have accumulated to 7. Staff was not spared from getting infection and it is worrying when health workers get infected even in small numbers.

It is my wish and prayer that God protect all of us, spare our lives if we happen to be infected and take us through the storm together with our families.

“Isibhedlela Kubantu” BasoPhaphasi



Team members who made the day possible

After MEC Ms Nomagugu Simelane Launched Isibhedlela Kubantu Programme, Hlabisa hospital took this initiative to implementation.

On the 11th of March 2020 all outreach teams went to Ophaphasi Community Hall under ward 10 of Big5Hlabisa Municipality.

The following teams availed themselves:-

- Malaria department
- HAST unit
- PHC Mobile Clinic
- Life line Social Workers
- Optometric Department
- Dental Clinic
- Medical Department
- Nutrition Department
- Rehab Team

STATISTICS OF THE DAY

- ☐ Attendance +240
- ☐ HCT = 29
- ☐ ART Initiation = 1
- ☐ TB Screenings = 9
- ☐ Hypertension Screening = 166
- ☐ Dr. Referrals and seen =4
- ☐ Eye Screening =65
- ☐ Spectacles Issued =40
- ☐ Physio Screenings =36
- ☐ Walking Sticks Issued =5
- ☐ Occupational Therapy Screenings =36
- ☐ Dental Screenings =39
- ☐ Toothbrushes Issued =197
- ☐ Social Worker Consultations =2
- ☐ Nutritionist Consultations =2



KZN MEC FOR HEALTH MS NOMAGUGU SIMELANE-ZULU VISITED HLABISA DISTRICT HOSPITAL



The MEC for health visited Hlabisa hospital on the 22nd of June 2020 for the purpose of checking the preparedness of the facility to receive COVID-19 patients.

She was led by the Acting CEO Mr. S.P.N Mkhwanazi together with the District Director Ms M.P Themba to the newly converted ward for COVID positive patients and was given an update on the

facility plans to manage the pandemic.

She later launched the social media live program known as “LunchTimeChatDotGov”, the program will host MEC on weekly basis to address public health concerns every Thursday on all social media platforms of the department.

Be COVID-19 Wise

#StayHome

#SocialDistance

#WearaMask

#WashHands

#Sanitize

#StaySafe

4 PRECAUTION TO FOLLOW TO AVOID BEING INFECTED



1 WASH YOUR HANDS

Wash your hands with soap thoroughly. Wash the back of your hands, between the fingers and under the nails. Always wash your hands with soap before you eat and after being out in public.



2 GOOD PERSONAL HYGIENE

Cover your mouth with a tissue paper when coughing or sneezing. Avoid touching your face with dirty hands at all times. If you have to, be sure to wash your hands with soap thoroughly first.



3 DO NOT SHARE FOOD AND UTENSILS

Bacteria can be transmitted onto knives, forks, spoons and straws. Only use clean utensils and do not share drinks. Always clean your hands before eating.



4 SEE A DOCTOR IF YOU ARE UNWELL

Typical symptoms include cough, runny nose, fever and shortness of breath. If you are experiencing any of these symptoms, seek medical attention promptly. Call the clinic or doctor ahead of your visit and inform them of your symptoms and travel history.



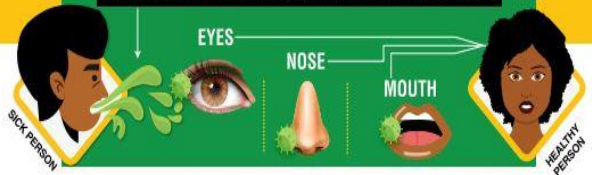
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CORONA VIRUS COVID-19

THERE'S ONLY ONE THING YOU NEED TO UNDERSTAND ABOUT HOW IT SPREADS

Coronaviruses are a large family of viruses which may cause respiratory infections ranging from the common cold to more severe diseases such as Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS) and Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS).

THE VIRUS SPREADS WHEN SALIVA DROPLETS GET INTO YOUR:



1. Keep your distance at 1.5 meters.

2. Avoid crowds

So if you see someone who is visibly coughing /sneezing/sick, you can choose to:



(People who are infected can show no symptoms, but are still infectious)

SOMETIMES A SICK PERSON'S SALIVA CAN GET ON OTHER THINGS...



AND IF YOU TOUCH ANY OF THESE THINGS BY ACCIDENT AND THEN TOUCH YOUR FACE, RUB YOUR EYES OR YOUR LOVED ONES FACE, YOU MIGHT ALL FALL SICK.

24HR NICD HOTLINE 0800 029 999

REMAIN VIGILANT AND ADOPT GOOD PERSONAL HYGIENE PRACTICES
The situation is evolving check update on www.health.gov.za and www.nicd.ac.za



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Mtubatuba Clinic Cervical Cancer Awareness



Mtubatuba Clinic held STI/ Condom Awareness on the 12th of February 2020 within the Clinic.

Noting the increasing number of STI's and the reports by female clients that their partners were reluctant to use condoms, then need of hosting such awareness was identified to prevent STI's and encourage safe sex practice.

Stage play by Health workers emphasized on the following points:-

- Importance of using condoms every time engaging to sexual intercourse.

- It's a responsibility for both partners to use condom either man or female as both types of condoms are available not only the man should wear male condoms for safe sex but also female condoms should be used.
- Importance of treatment for both partners.
- Also importance of reporting to the clinic when having signs and symptoms of STI's.

Both male and female condoms were distributed on the day as well as HIV/STI Screenings.



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Human Papilloma Virus Campaign



Screening of concern forms before actual immunization

Noting that many woman dies of cervical cancer, which is caused by Human Papilloma Virus whilst there is a two dose vaccine that protects against Cervical Cancer; the department embarked on a massive HPV Campaign from the 11th of February 2020 till 20th of March 2020.



Health education is given to all pupils

The campaign was targeting young girls doing grade 5 whom for whatever reasons were not vaccinated at grade 4. These girls were given 2 doses of vaccine, while in addition both boys and girls were given td vaccine as well as deworming to grade R to grade 7 at primary Schools.

Massive mobilization was done to all parents requesting them to give concern to Health workers to vaccinate their kids by signing concern forms.



Then immunization is being conducted

Teachers at schools played a pivotal role in distribution of all the forms to target groups and in ensuring that the vaccination process went smoothly.

We are looking forward to the second round planned for August and September 2020.

Quality Performance Indicators

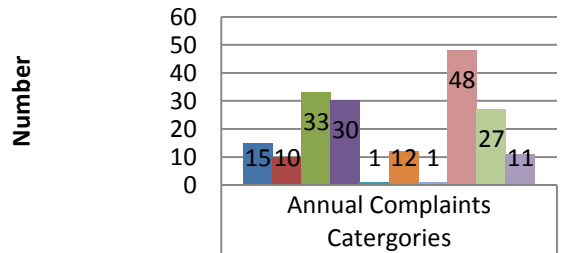
Our Quality Indicators for the Period of April 2019 to March 2020 are here displayed.

They indicate what our clients are saying about their practical experience while receiving service at our facility is indicating that majority of patients are happy with our service.

But we are still concerned with those who were not happy and that's why QIPs were developed and implemented to ensure those complaints got resolved timeously.

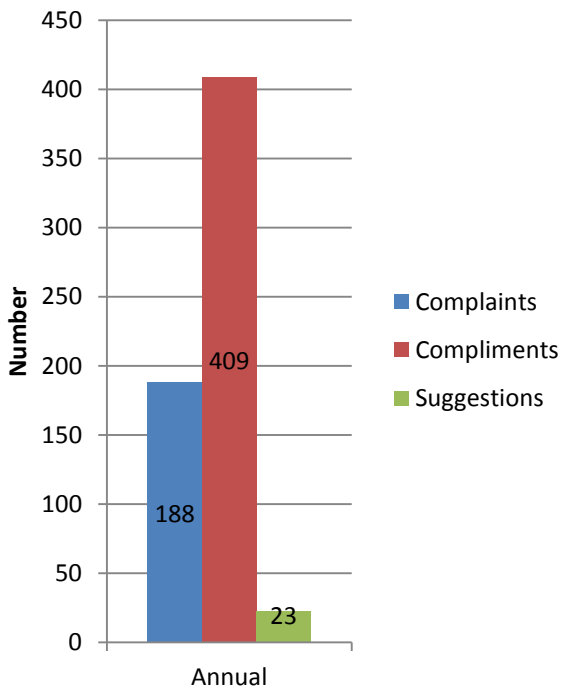
Our target is to ensure that all complaints logged are register into complaints registered and be allocated a reference number, Acknowledged, investigated and redressed.

Complaints Categories

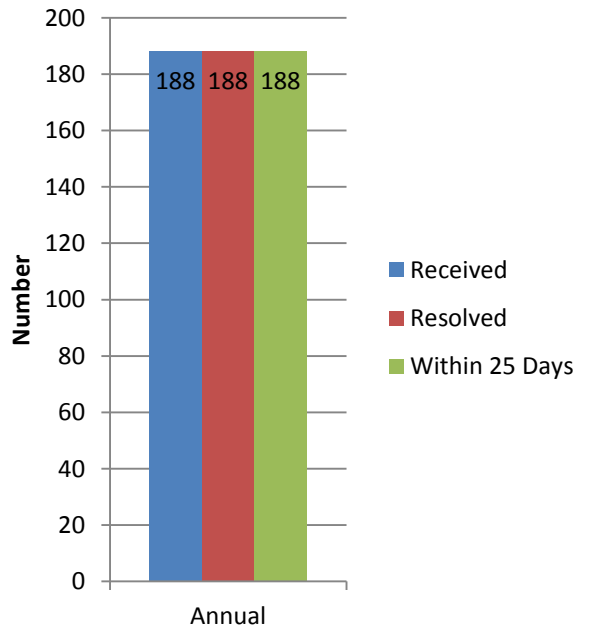


Category	Number
Staff Attitude	15
Access to Care	10
Physical Access	33
Waiting Times	30
Waiting List	1
Patient Care	12
Availability of Basic Medicines and Supplies	1
Safe and Secure Environment	48
Hygiene and Cleanliness	27
Other	11

Clients Feedback



Complaints Management



Corona Preparedness



Presentation given to Mtubatuba Local Task Team Command Centre

In order for the Hospital to face the deadly pandemic Corona Virus which erupted at China in December 2019 and discovered in our KZN province on the 3rd of March 2020, we have put some measures in place to deal with it.

Our response team and tracer teams have been formed to respond to the pandemic.

Response team deals with conducting community screening and testing in our catchment areas.

The Tracer teams are responsible for tracing all the contacts of any identified covid-19 positive case within our catchment area.

Management members are actively involved in Local Command Task Teams to ensure information sharing and ensuring of compliance with the regulations of the lockdown promulgated.

Trainings of all categories of staff within the institution has been done

Identification of hotspot areas has been done.

Community screenings; Road blocks; Community loud hailing; maintaining of social distance and monitoring of compliance by business entities is amongst activities embarked on.

Everybody is encouraged to Stay at home unless it's an important need that compels one to get out of home.

Ensure that there is a distance of 1 and a half meter between people; ensure proper wearing of cloth masks as well as adherence to cough and sneezing etiquette.

Quarantine and isolation beds have been identified and are being used within the hospital.



Mobilization billboard erected



Compliance check up within the business sectors

PRO's Camera View

When walking around the Hlabisa/ Mtubatuba Sub-District between 01 January and 31 June 2020, This is what I found my camera focused into:- Be careful Next time singakubambi offside!

We humbly request staff members to share with us any stories or photos of any activity they would like to be considered in our next publication



Rehab Team conducting Home Visit to assess the client



Public members queuing for COVID-19 Screening



Team Members conducting COVID-19 Screening at the Road Blocks



Public Hand washing facility erected at the entrance of the Health Facility



Client consultation at Ophaphasi area



Nutritionist advise being given to clients



Nqimulana Mobile service point at Mtubatuba



Satiation of the Theatre after contacting a covid-19 case



Eye Nurse fitting glasses to the client at Ophaphasi area



Mobile team preparing to resume the day and separating clients for services



Surprise visit by the MEC to KwaMsane Clinic, Mtubatuba



Big5Hlabisa Mayor distributing COVID-19 pamphlets.



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