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HANDING OVER OF MASEA AWARD TO MATERNITY WARD



C.E.O handing over MASEA award to maternity ward for 4th position in the category: Improvement in Maternal Mortality/ consistently low maternal mortality for hospitals conducting less than 1500 deliveries per year.



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As Mbongolwane District Hospital we remain highly committed to our vision and mission. The first quarter of 2019/20 financial year has been marked with a number of activities. The District Health Management Team meeting was held in our institution; this was accompanied by the walkabouts by the team and the constructive comments made by our colleagues for the betterment of our institution.

That was highly appreciated. The institution was also assessed to check its compliance with National Core Standards; the comments are also used as the stepping stones towards providing the best care. Assessment of our feeder clinics was also done coupled with the formal introduction of Community Based Model. Some of us have been involved in certain activities outside the institution empowering other departments with knowledge that is also highly appreciated.

I would love to extend a word of unceasing appreciation to all the employees for all the effort they put towards making Mbongolwane the best institution where our clients could feel safe in our hands; that is what we always strive for.

To those that are still lacking the strength, the will and knowledge to perform to their fullest, it's still the time to gain or acquire the above cited three characteristics, may God help them as they make a positive move. The functional contribution of each employee is vital in achieving our goal. We need to spend more time talking to our own strengths, skills and knowledge rather than talking to what others should or should not have done.

As we move forward to the next quarter we need to identify the goods of the past that must be retained and the evils that must be discarded. We move forward as the Team, identifying and pulling the weak ones. Every day should be the quality day. We need to constantly work hard so as to succeed. It has been cited in various platforms that there is a need to use our financial resources sparingly; we must be seen to be responding to that call at all levels.

We are at the stage where we will be assessed for Ideal Hospital Realisation and Maintenance. I make a call that we all have our houses in order for the dream of achieving the highest status to come true. This is doable through unceasing commitment, learning and innovation, team work and striving for excellence on daily basis. Striving for a clean audit should also form part of our daily service delivery activities.

To those of us that have reached the level where they had to exit from the service we wish them well in their new endeavours and hope that they enjoy their stay with family members. Thank you for your valuable contribution; may God bless you richly.

MBONGOLWANE CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS PROTEST



Mbongolwane local primary schools protesting against child abuse

It is the responsibility of every South African to ensure that children are protected and are given education on their rights.

Mbongolwane outreach team in collaboration with SAPS, community safety and liaison & department of education took an initiative to create awareness on child abuse during the child protection week on the 7th June 2019.

Children's from Mbongolwane Primary School, Thembalesizwe Special school and Dumazinkani Primary School participated in the 3 km walk against child abuse and violence. The walk commenced from Mafunda high school gate to Mbongolwane police station where the podium was opened for different departments speakers.

Speakers representing departments were given opportunity to address issue regarding child abuse as well as children's rights. Four major types of abuse were broadly discussed. Children were also encouraged to speak up against the abuse. Information on how to report such cases was given.

Hospital Social worker; Ms C.N Nkwanyana; advised the children on safety precautions to be followed to keep them safe at all times.

1. Children must walk in groups when going school,
2. Children must not write their names at the back of their backpacks but rather inside them to avoid kidnappers calling them by names.
3. Not to talk to strangers and always call out for help if someone is trying do something wrong on them.

Mr Nxumalo from King Cethwayo district community safety and liaison office emphasized that their duty is to ensure children safety within the community. *"Every day 8 out of 10 children are victims of assaults, then it is our job to stand up for them and say NO! and that is why we are here today giving support in the march against child abuse"* he added.

Mbongolwane SAPS encouraged children to speak up if they experience child abuse and the violation of their rights so that SAPS can work together with the community to put a stop in the abuse and protect them.



From right : Price Nhlanganiso Zulu, Inkosi V.T Dube (KTA), Inkosi Chiliza (Chairperson of KZN traditional council), Inkosi Dube (Mpembeni esikhawini), Mrs Hlongwane & Bishop Mncube

Kholweni Traditional Authority (KTA) hosted another successful and exciting three day event in supporting youth development and empowerment.

The annual event took place from the 14th-16th June 2019 at Ntumeni with the support of King Cetshwayo District municipality, Department of health , Jhpiego, MSF, Child Care SA and local NGOs. The event started with youth camp on Friday for skills development and empowerment workshop. Male and female youth were encouraged to focus on education so that they could reach their dreams.

The main programme of the event was the cleansing of male youth that have undergone initiation through medical male circumcision.

There was a new campaign that was introduced in this year event called Amaqhawekazi which aims to provide care and support to single youth mothers by giving guidance and confidence to boost their growth. Speakers from different departments and organizations were given an opportunity to

present services they provide and how they can assist youth in their communities. They also gave awareness on the abuse of drugs and alcohol.

Prince Nhlanganiso Zulu (TB ambassador) was the speaker of the day who gave powerful motivational talk about self respect . In his speech he emphasized that he is strongly against women and children abuse which is done by men. He also encouraged youth to focus on education.

Entertainment of the day was done by local youth artist as part of showing their talent.

Inkosi V.T Dube gave words of gratitude to the Ntumeni community and different stakeholders who partnered in making the event successful. She also proudly thanked the initiates for taking a big step by undergoing MMC. Young girls were motivated to keep their virginity.

In closing , Childcare SA donated new soccer kits and trophies that were going to be used in the sport day that was going to be held the following day (day 3).

IXOXWA NGEZITHOMBE (YOUTH EVENTS)



COMMUNITY BASED MODEL OF CARE IMPLEMENTATION



WBPHCOT during house visit at ward 3 Mkhwishimane area

Mbongolwane hospital has finally implemented community based model (CBM) of care. Community outreach leaders (OTLs) accompanied by community health workers (CHWs) have started visiting household in ward 3 & 5. These wards were identified as most deprived wards in uMlalazi municipality under King-Cetshwayo district.

The objective of the project is to provide comprehensive health care service to the community at their homes to minimize burden of diseases.

Their responsibility is also to identify the challenges of the households and refer to relevant departments.

During the home visits, teams were providing Health education, filling in the forms (e.g. Household registration, referral, weekly household, individual health record form & maternal and child forms).

Ward based primary health care outreach team (WBPHCOT) programme implementation was successful and the team received warm welcome from the households they visited.

The team is expected to visit 3 households a day. During the implementation phase in ward 3, seven households were visited under Mkhwishimane and Dakeni area.

Mbongolwane hospital appreciates the ongoing technical support given by doctors without borders; (MSF: medicine sans frontiers); for making the implementation of CBM possible.





Mbongolwane outreach team and Ntabankulu teachers during child protection awareness event

Mbongolwane outreach team was out in action trying to ensure that children are protected from abuse and their rights are not violated. This was done as part of child protection week commemoration.

The team led by Sister N.A Xulu, E/N B.P Mhlongo and social Worker C.N Nkwanyana visited one of the deprived schools in ward 3 named Ntabankulu Primary School. The visit was on the 30th May 2019 & the objective was to teach children about their rights and raise awareness on children abuse.

As the Bill of Rights states that every child has the right to be protected from maltreatment, neglect, degradation or any kind of abuse, social worker C.N Nkwanyana reminded the children of their rights and responsibilities as they appear in the Constitutional Bill of Rights.

Cha! Umzimba Wami (No! it is my body) was the theme of the day which aimed to encourage children to say no when someone touches their bodies in an improper way. She said that it is very important for them to know their rights so that they can easily spot victimization and be able to protect themselves.

E/N B.P Mhlongo talked about four major types of child abuse which is physical, emotional, sexual and child neglect.

It is never a child's fault to experience abuse but their responsibility is to report it to someone they trust. Most children are abused and they have to bury the scars within them because they don't know where to report such cases. In most cases the abuser is a family member, neighbor, a friend or even a teacher.

Children were encouraged to report cases of abuse to their parents, someone old that they trust or their teachers. They can also call the toll free ChildLine (08 000 55 555) or child care police service (10111).



WOMEN AND CHILDREN HEALTH AWARENESS CAMPAIGN



Women and children outreach team during the visit to Mdansane area.

Mbongolwane hospital women's and child health team hosted another successful outreach campaign at Mdansane area on the 29 May 2019.

The objective of the campaign was to market and render services related to women's and child health. The following services were rendered during the visit:

- Pap smear,
- Breast cancer check up,
- Nutrition on babies and deworming
- Giving Vitamin A
- Screening of chronic illnesses e.g diabetes mellitus and hypertension.
- HTS offered to all consenting clients
- Family planning services.

Vitamin A was given to 32 babies who needed it. HTS was done to 16 clients and 04 clients did family planning. 17 clients were done pap smear.

The community of Mdansane appreciated Mbongolwane hospital for initiating such outreach programme. The team leaders appreciate the commitment showed by our Community Health Workers in recruiting for the campaign.



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