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MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS CAMPAIGN IN MADADENI

National Health Minister Dr Manto Tshabalala-Msimang together with Provincial Health MEC Mrs. Neliswa Nkonyeni will visit the community of Madadeni in Northern KwaZulu-Natal as part of the campaign to educate and inform the public on mental illness. This forms part of creating awareness around mental illnesses during this month of July, which is Mental Health Awareness Month.

The Mental Health Care Act No 17 of 2002 seeks to protect the rights and dignity of people with a mental disability. The Mental Health campaign is intended to educate and break down the myths about mental illness.

Special attention will be paid to encouraging healthy practices through education and training programmes, as well as to the development and maintenance of working conditions that support and contribute to the well being of employees with mental problems.

The event will take place as follows:

DATE : 28 JULY 2005 (THURSDAY)

VENUE : MADADENI COLLEGE STADIUM (NEWCASTLE)

TIME : 10H00

The media is invited to attend and report on this event.
Transport for journalist to the event will depart outside the Durban Playhouse at 7 am sharp!!!

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