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MEC TO HOLD AN IMBIZO WITH ETHEKWINI COMMUNITY

The KwaZulu-Natal Department is striving to ensure that the people of this province have access to quality, compassionate and optimal health care whenever they seek medical care in public health institutions.

The department is hoping to achieve this by strengthening partnership with the community by holding public meetings (Izimbizo) at all health districts across the province. The eThekwini Health District is the biggest health district with 17 hospitals, which include hospitals like Prince Mshiyeni Memorial Hospital, Wentworth hospital, Clairwood hospital, R.K Khan hospital, etc.

Thousands of people visit these hospitals and provincial clinics on a daily basis. The volume of people that seek medical care at these institutions continues to grow steadily which often results in overcrowding which in turn can have a negative impact on service delivery considering the critical shortage of skilled healthcare workers. The Imbizo will also afford the community of Umlazi to be given a progress report by the MEC, Mrs. Peggy Nkonyeni regarding the placement of new management at Prince Mshiyeni Memorial Hospital. The MEC appointed an interim management at this hospital following the dissolution of the then hospital management.

Strengthening health service delivery through partnership with the community is one of the interventions made by the department as means of improving health service delivery.

The Imbizo will be held in the South Sub District as detailed below:

Date: 27 October 2006 (Friday)
Time: 10h00am
Venue: King Zwelithini Stadium, eMlazi D-Section

This Imbizo will be attended by the MEC for Health Mrs. Peggy Nkonyeni, eThekwini District Health Manager, Mr. Timmy Msiza, Hospital Managers, Clinic Managers and the eThekwini EMRS Manager.

The media is invited to attend and report on the abovementioned event.

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