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### **MEC PAID A SURPRISE VISIT TO EMMAUS AND ESCOURT HOSPITALS**

Today, the MEC for Health, Dr Sibongiseni Dhlomo, paid a surprise visit to two midlands hospitals (Emmaus and Escourt) as part of his stated commitment to go around the province to see to the delivery of quality health care.

*"In the spirit of improving quality of care in the province, we want to inculcate the practice where managers are visible in their hospitals so that the public can access them and engage them on the delivery of responsive health care. It was for that reason that today I paid a surprise visit to Emmaus and Escourt Hospitals in the midlands" the MEC said.*

The realization of the right to health for thousands of people in KwaZulu-Natal depends upon a massive improvement in the quality of health care services and for the achievement of universal and equitable access. The department is promoting an expansion of public health-care delivery to fulfill this goal. Evidence shows that prioritizing this approach is likely to deliver health for the marginalized poor people. Government seeks to strengthen state capacity to deliver and focus on the rapid expansion of public health care, a proven way to save millions of lives.

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