

Horrific road accident claims the lives of three KZN Dept of Health employees

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It is with great regret and sadness that the KwaZulu-Natal Department of Health announces the passing on of three of its employees, following a road accident in Colenso this morning.

A nursing sister and four pharmacy assistants were travelling in a state vehicle from Dundee to a workshop in Durban when they were involved in an accident with two trucks.

The nursing sister and one pharmacy assistant passed on at the scene. Another pharmacy assistant passed on upon arrival in hospital. The other two pharmacy assistants are in hospital, where their condition has been described as critical.

The KZN MEC for Health Dr Sibongiseni Dhlomo and the KZN Health HOD Dr Sibongile Zungu have expressed their heartfelt condolences to the families, friends and colleagues of the deceased and wish the injured a speedy recovery. The names of the deceased will be announced once their next of kin have been informed.

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