

# Media invitation: MEC Dhlomo to donate blood at mega city, Umlazi, tomorrow

KWAZULU-NATAL Health MEC Dr Sibongiseni Dhlomo will tomorrow, 03 January 2018, give the most precious gift in the form of a pint of blood, which he will donate at the South African National Blood Service (SANBS)'s blood donor centre at Mega City at Umlazi.

The SANBS currently has 2.7 days' worth of blood stock, and is appealing to the public to consider donating blood to ensure that there is enough supply to meet the demand for blood.

MEC Dhlomo is throwing his weight behind this initiative, and has urged the public to also consider donating blood.

In order to become a blood donor you must:

- Weigh at least 50kg
- Be between the ages of 16-65
- Lead a safe sexual lifestyle
- Be in general good health; and
- Consider your blood safe for transfusion to a patient.

Members of the media are invited to be part of the proceedings as MEC Dhlomo donates blood tomorrow.

**The details are as follows:**

DATE: 03 January 2018

VENUE: Umlazi Megacity (SANBS depot)

TIME: 09h00

For more information, or for interviews with the MEC, kindly contact Agiza Hlongwane on 083 706 8403

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