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MAY-SEPTEMBER 2021

NURSES DAY COMMEMORATION '21



Above: Nursing staff from various departments commemorating Nurses day.

On the 12 of May 2021 Murchison district Hospital commemorated nurses day and observed the spirit of those that have passed on during

this midst of Covid 19. During the day, a virtual commemoration hosted by the Kwa Zulu Natal Department of Health and tokens of appreciation were

provided for those in attendance.

The story is better told in pictures on page 2.

NURSES DAY PHOTO GALLERY



NURSES DAY VIRTUAL COMMEMORATION AT THE CONFERENCE ROOM



NURSING STAFF REPRESENTING THEIR WARDS WITH THEIR GOODIES

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60 YEARS AND ABOVE



ABOVE: Mr L.G Nyawo-ANM PHC and Sr Xolo—OM Izingolweni Clinic commencing the outreach programme of vaccinating the elderly at Entokozweni Old Age Home, Izingolweni Location on the 18th May 2021



ABOVE LEFT: Some of the senior citizens of Entokozweni Old Age Home after getting their jab. **ABOVE RIGHT/BELOW:** Senior citizens of Murchison location came in numbers at Maveshe Community Hall on the 24th of May 2021.



VACCINATION ON SITE



ABOVE: On the 27th of July 2021, Sr N Mkhize, Murchison District Hospital Trainer, giving health education prior vaccination to those that have taken the heroic step in being vaccinated. During this session, there was a question and answer session which also addressed negative myths against the vaccine.



ABOVE LEFT: Health education after getting their vaccine.



ABOVE RIGHT: Mr Hlubi who is one of the Hospital Board member also got his jab on site



18 YEARS AND ABOVE



ABOVE: 18 years and above vaccination programme out rolled at Kwa-Ndunu Community Hall on the 25th of August 2021, Mthimude area



ABOVE: Learners of Skanisweni High School came out in numbers to be vaccinated as our team was the first in the whole district to out roll the 18years and above vaccination programme. The courageous step was applauded as the young showed interest in staying safe and fit as facing the examination trials ahead. Learners vaccinated on the day 329 of the ages between 18 years and 35 years for first dose, 156 of the group between 35 years and 45 years also first doze .



KZN LEGISLATURE VISIT



ABOVE: Murchison Hospital members of executive and the delegation from the Kwa-Zulu Natal Legislature visited the permanent vaccination site in Murchison District Hospital on the 26th of August 2021. During the visit, presentation was made regarding the state of readiness for current global pandemic of Covid 19. **Cold Chain logistics and infrastructure** outlined the then current vaccine stock and storage temperature that needs to compliment the longevity of the vaccines. **Human resources** aspect was reported to curb the unemployment rate faced currently not just as a province but as a country.

From the beginning of the vaccination programme, the delegation was reminded of the first phase of vaccine out roll plan which commenced with healthcare workers were vaccinated at allocated site which was GJ Crookes District Hospital. Second phase was the out roll of 60 years and above vaccination programme which covered the mother facility and its clinics.

Challenges and achievements were however raised during this visit as walk-about were done at the permanent site of vaccination, chapel which is used for entrance and screening of the public entering into the facility as well as the pharmaceutical services department. **Security services** was and is still part of a very crucial aspect in ensuring safety of employees and resources that being utilized at the site.



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VACCINATION AT NPC/IDWALA



ABOVE: Murchison Hospital Covid 19 Vaccination visited NPC Port Shepstone and Idwala Carbonates on the 30th of July 2021



ABOVE: Sr N Madlala, PHC Trainer, continues with conducting health talks and attending to the questions and answer session.



BREASTFEEDING WALK



ABOVE: Allied Services and Maternity team during their Annual Breastfeeding Walk, held On the 6th of August 2021

The dietetics department was a hive of activity during the Breastfeeding Week. The theme for this year was “Protect Breastfeeding. A shared responsibility“, which called on fathers, families and communities to support breastfeeding mothers.

5 BENEFITS OF BRREASTFEEDING

1. Breastfeeding saves time and money
2. Fewer allergies
3. Stronger immune system
4. Healthier body weight
5. Better bonding experience from mother to child

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STAFF BEREAVEMENT



T.E Cele– Enrolled Nurse

Bheki Mqadi– Cleaner

Thembalihle Mzimela– Intern: Pharmaceutical Services



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