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Patient lives and health, with respect and dignity before anything

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MIRACLE BABY BEATS THE ODDS: A MOTHER'S JOURNEY WITH PREMATURE BIRTH

On October 11, 2024, Nompumelelo Zungu's life changed forever when she gave birth to her tiny miracle baby via C-section. The decision to undergo surgery was made due to complications arising from high blood pressure and low water levels, among other concerns.



Weighing in at just 660 grams, Nompumelelo's baby was a tiny but mighty fighter. Despite the initial shock, Nompumelelo soon found solace in the support and care provided by the medical team. As she navigated the challenging journey of caring for a premature baby, Nompumelelo received all the help she needed. "The nurses and Doctors were amazing", she says. When Nompumelelo was finally discharged from the hospital, she was met with excitement and celebration by her family, as she settled into her new role as a mother, she is grateful for the advice and support she received from the medical team.

Operating Theatre Rescuss Drill



RESCUS DRILL AND SIMULATION

On the 30th of October 2024, Theatre, CSSD doctors, interns, nurses and student nurses had a resuscitation mock drill whereby a dummy patient suffering from a gunshot wound had a cardiac arrest while being prepared for surgery. Quick-thinking nurses sprang into action, executing a seamless resuscitation process. The team worked together, communicating effectively and successfully revived the patient.

Following the incident, a debriefing session by Matron Khumalo highlighted the importance of teamwork and communication in high-pressure situations. The successful response demonstrated the dedication and expertise of the nursing team. Following the successful resuscitation, the patient was transferred to the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) for further management. A thorough debriefing session was conducted, utilizing SWORT analysis, to review the response and identify areas for improvement.



STAFF AND NURSING MANAGEMENT ATTENDING THE RESCUS DRILL

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Systems Management Staff Appreciation High Tea



CLEANING AND GROUNDS STAFF AT HIGH TEA PROCEEDINGS

On the 30th of October 2024, the Executive Management of Prince Mshiyeni Memorial Hospital hosted a special appreciation event to recognize the outstanding contributions of the cleaning and ground staff. Their tireless efforts have resulted in a noticeably cleaner and more welcoming facility, which has not gone unnoticed by external visitors, patients, relatives and even provincial office officials and sister departments. The event was a testament to the managements commitment to acknowledging and rewarding the hard work and dedication of the cleaning and ground staff.

Their attention to detail and commitment to excellence have significantly enhanced the overall experience of the facility. In the context of hospitals, cleanliness is crucial for patient safety and recovery, preventing hospital-acquired infections, maintaining trust and credibility and also ensuring a comfortable and reassuring environment.



MR NGCOBO EXPRESSING WORD OF THANKS TO STAFF AT THE HIGH TEA OCCASION



Quality Day Event



PEDIATRICS NUMBER ONE PROJECT RECIPIENTS AND QUALITY DAY CHAPIONS

On the 7th of November 2024, the Prince Mshiyeni Memorial Hospital hosted its Quality Day event at the Nurses Home Hall. The purpose of the event was to acknowledge and celebrate the tireless efforts and quality displayed by staff who work diligently behind the scenes to enhance and maintain the excellence of the facility. Annually, the Chartered Quality Institute introduces a new theme, shedding light on a distinct aspect of quality, and providing a fresh perspective on the significance of quality in various sectors. The theme of this year's Quality Day was "From Compliance to Performance".

Mr TM Mbanjwa the PRO of the facility was the program director for the day and the event was opened by CEO who welcomed all members present and emphasized the importance of quality work in our every day lives to ensure proper well-being of the communities we serve. The event was graced by the presence of Mrs BP Mgobhozi CEO of St Mary's Hospital who shared a moving testimony on the importance of quality in health facilities. Various departments then presented their QIP Projects. The awarding of participants ranged from stalls and projects. These were presented separately and the winners for the stalls were Pharmacy at number3, Maternity at Number2 and Pediatrics at number1. On Projects Position-3 was Theatre Position2 was taken by Pharmacy and Paediatrics became an all rounder with position one in all categories. All other participants were then given certificates of recognition. The event was highly sponsored, from decoration, refreshments, 360 degree photo booth. The staff had a great time and the event was a success.



QUALITY DAY PROCEEDINGS



Quality Day Photo Gallery



PEDIATRICS NUMBER ONE PROJECT RECIPIENTS AND QUALITY DAY CHAPIONS



PHARMACY NUMBER TWO PROJECT RECIPIENTS



THEATRE NUMBER THREE PROJECT RECIPIENTS



SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS

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PMMH Isibaya Samadoda Closing Function



On the 15th of November 2024, the Prince Mshiyeni Memorial Hospital Men held a closing function for men which also encompassed the election of the men structure for PMMH. The program was officially opened by CEO Mr Khawula who thanked all the men of the facility for coming out to this event. Men were reminded that as the year comes to an end and as some will be taking time off, they are to ensure to go back to their families and loved ones to enjoy their presence. Men then elected a Forum for PMMH which comprise of the five office bearers being the Chairperson Mr Mhlongo, Deputy Chair being Mr Zulu, Secretary Mr Khathi, Deputy Secretary being Mr Magubane and Treasurer being Mr Ngobese. The program was graced by the presence of Rev S Shangase the provincial chaplain who's also the provincial member for the Men's forum. Rev Shangase congratulated all new forum members on their appointment and urged them to take their new responsibility with pride, whilst ensuring the wellbeing of men in the facility by implementing meaningful programs to uplift the morale of men. Men were reminded to take their role in society seriously, to remember that they are protectors, providers and community builders. This being said the men responded positively to all the good talks. Men enjoyed (Inhloko ne-Dombolo) together on this day with the efforts of Mr Ngcobo Systems Manager whom they were very grateful to. Men were then thanked for their attendance and to enjoy their holidays as and when they head home.



PMMH Partnership with Gift of the Givers and McCord's Hospital



DR ISMAIL SOOLIMAN WITH MCCORDS AND PMMH MANAGEMENT



On the 19th of November 2024, Prince Mshiyeni Memorial Hospital visited McCord hospital along with the founder of gift of the givers (Dr Ismail Sooliman) who expressed his gratitude towards McCord hospital on the number of patients they have helped with cataracts surgery. The hospital has tested over 400 patients and over a 100 cataracts surgeries have been performed in the last 6months, Dr Imitiza also conducted a few interviews on patients who have already performed cataracts surgery and their response were pleasing. Dr Imiatiza says this does not only reflect a good image on the department of health but it also has a huge impact on the economy as most patients who have done the surgery are now able to work and provide for their families which inspires gift of the givers to write more proposals to other hospital even in other provinces which includes private hospital.

Mr. Khawula Prince Memorial Hospital C.E.O expressed his gratitude towards DR Imitiaz and McCord Hospital on the role they have played towards changing people's life's and also shared a short story on how the cataract surgery changed he's mother's life.



CATARACT PARTNERSHIP SESSIONS



KANGAROO BABY DAY: A LEAP FORWARD IN PREMATURE BABY CARE



HEALTH EDUCATION TO NEW MOTHERS

On the 20th of November 2024 on a heart warming celebration, Prince Mshiyeni Memorial hospital marked a major milestone in the care of premature babies. Kangaroo baby day, a special event designed to promote skin-to-skin contact and bonding between mothers and their premature babies, was celebrated with great fan-care.

The highlight of the day was the official opening of a brand-new ward dedicated exclusively to the care of premature babies. As part of the celebration, mothers and their babies received gifts, including toys and adorable baby blankets. The looks of delight on the faces of the mothers were a testament to the joy and love that filled the room.



KMC PROGRAM IN SESSION



KZN PHILHARMONIC CHRISTMAS CONCERT AT PMMH



KZN PHILHARMONIC CONCERT IN SESSION

On the 20th of November 2024, it was a privilege for the Prince Mshiyeni Memorial Hospital to host the orchestra event, which was met with widespread enthusiasm and appreciation.

The KwaZulu-Natal Philharmonic Orchestra (KZNPO) is a professional orchestra based in Durban, South Africa. Founded in 1983 as the Natal Philharmonic Orchestra (NPO), the orchestra has grown to become one of Africa's premier orchestras. The KZNPO is renowned for its beautiful music and captivating performances. But the orchestra's recent Christmas Concert at Prince Mshiyeni Memorial Hospital was more than just a great show—it was a gesture of kindness, compassion and holiday cheer. The orchestra's performance was a heartwarming reminder of the healing power of music, and the impact it can have on those who need it most. The performance featured a delightful selection of Christmas songs. The event was well received by everyone in attendance, who clearly enjoyed the orchestra's performance. The event was then capped off with refreshments, adding to the warm and joyful atmosphere of the occasion.



PHILHARMONIC TEAM AND PMMH STAFF



Ethekwini South PHC Quality Day Event



On the 25th November 2024, PHC Management held a Quality day event for Ethekwini South Sub-District to recognize individuals and facilities that have made significant strides in meeting expected healthcare standards.

The event was well-attended by representatives from all facilities and supporting partners. The event focused on 5 key topics including improving patient registration systems, linkage to care, reducing sputum rejection rates, teenage pregnancy and re-engaging patients in care. Top performers were awarded and PMMH sub-district emerged as a top achiever, earning a spot to represent the area at District Quality Awards.

The Quality Day event is a requirement for assessment and aims to ensure that national health standards set by the National Health Department are achieved.



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16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM LAUNCH AT PMMH



CEO, PASTOR MKHIZE, SAPS AND PMMH STAFF FOR THE LAUNCH OF 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM



On the 26th of November 2024 Prince Mshiyeni Memorial Hospital held an awareness marking the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence. This international campaign which runs from 25 November to 10 December aims to raise awareness about the devastating effects of GBV and promote collective action towards a safer, more equitable society. The event brought together healthcare professionals, community leaders and concerned citizens to discuss the critical role everyone have in supporting survivors of GBV. During the event a panel of dedicated social workers from esteemed organizations shared valuable insights into their critical work. Representatives from the KZN Society for the Blind, Child Welfare and Thuthuzela Care Center took stage to educate people about their respective roles in supporting victims of abuse. These experts shed light on the comprehensive services they provide, from counseling and advocacy to medical and legal assistance. Social workers raised awareness about the resources available to those affected by abuse and promote a culture of support and solidarity.



16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM PROGRAMS



MAINTENANCE EDUCATION DAY AT PMMH



PATIENT EDUCATION BY CHILD MAINTENANCE ADVOCATE



On the 27th of November 2024, the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA), Sexual Offences and Community Affairs Unit (SOCA) KZN, hosted a 16 Days of Activism event. Senior Maintenance Prosecutor, Nokukhanya Gcwabaza, took the opportunity to educate the public, particularly women and expectant mothers, about their maintenance rights and access to justice.

The Prosecutor guided attendees through the entire application process, emphasizing how to enforce maintenance orders and secure future maintenance. This initiative aligns with the NPA's mission to protect and empower vulnerable members of the society, especially women and children.



PATIENT EDUCATION AT POPD



SR SIKHAKHANE'S FAREWELL PARTY



SR SIKHAKHANE FAREWELL SESSION



The 30th of November 2024 was the last day for Sr Sikhakhane at PMMH. The farewell party for SR.G.Sikhakhane was a heartfelt celebration of her dedication and service to the healthcare community. Colleagues, friends and family gathered to bid farewell and honor her remarkable career. Sr.G.Sikhakhane expressed her gratitude and appreciation for the celebration, reflecting on her fulfilling career and the meaningful relationships she formed. As she embarks on her retirement journey, she leaves behind a legacy of kindness, professionalism and dedication to the nursing profession.



SR SIKHAKHANE FAREWELL SESSION



NURSING COLLEGE AWARDS CEREMONY



KZN COLLEGE OF NURSING PMMH CAMPUS AWARDS RECIPIENTS

On the 4th of December 2024, the KwaZulu-Natal Nursing College at Prince Mshiyeni Memorial Campus held an awards ceremony to honor and celebrate the achievements of its students who have successfully completed their training. The event was a momentous occasion, marking the completion of hard work and dedication by the students.

In this ceremony, awards and certificates were presented to students, recognizing their outstanding academic achievements and clinical excellence. The college's faculty congratulated the students on their accomplishments and encouraged them to continue striving for excellence in their nursing careers.



KZN COLLEGE OF NURSING PMMH CAMPUS AWARDS IN SESSION



ETHEKWINI HEALTH DISTRICT QUALITY DAY AND SERVICE EXCELLENCE AWARDS



KZN HEALTH HOD WITH PMMH AND PMMH PHC STAFF

In a thrilling display of excellence, on the 5th of December Prince Mshiyeni Memorial Hospital and Ethekewini Health South Sub-District emerged victorious at the recent eThekewini Health District Quality Day and service Excellence Awards, taking home numerous accolades in highly competitive fields. This outstanding achievement underscores the hospital's unwavering dedication to delivering exceptional healthcare services and its commitment to excellence in the region.



PMMH AND PMMH PHC SCOOPING MOST AWARDS AND SHINING AT THE ETHEKEWINI DISTRICT QUALITY AWARDS



ETHEKWINI HEALTH DISTRICT QUALITY DAY AND SERVICE EXCELLENCE AWARDS

AWARDS CATEGORY: CERTIFICATE AND ACHIEVEMENT, CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

1st position – Mfume Clinic: MHCWH and VTP Program
 1st position – Umnini Clinic: Best Performing Facility in Data Management Systems and Policies
 2nd position – Folweni Clinic: TB Case Finding
 2nd position – PMMH cluster: Outstanding HIV&AIDS Data Nerve Center Cluster Meeting
 2nd position – Kwamakhutha Clinic: Best performing Facility in Data Management System and policies
 3rd position – PMMH: complaint score in the health care risk waste Management norms and standard
 3rd position- - PMMH: Records Management
 3rd position – Umlazi Clinic: Outstanding performance in comfort availability of Medicines and overall Medicine Supply
 3rd position – Umzomuhle H.Clinic: MCWH&N and VTP program

OHSC CERTIFICATES OF COMPLIANCE (STATUS)

Osizweni Clinic: Excellent Grading Compliance by OHSC
 Umbumbulu Clinic: Excellent Grading Compliance by OHSC
 Umlazi U21 Clinic: Excellent Grading Compliance by OHSC
 Magabheni Clinic: Excellent Grading in Compliance by OHSC
 Umlazi D Clinic: Excellent Grading in Compliance by OHSC
 Umzomuhle H Clinic: Excellent – 15/07/2019
 Nsimbini Clinic: Good – 10/05/2021
 Kwamakhutha Clinic: Satisfactory – 30/01/2023
 Folweni Clinic: Excellent – 12/05/2021
 Danganya Clinic: Good – 30/01/2023
 PMMH Gateway: Excellent – 14/10/2021
 Umlazi K: Excellent – 16/07/2019
 Danganye Clinic: For Achieving Consistency in reporting of SAC1 within 24 hours
 PMMH Gateway: For Performing close to reaching 95-95-95 HIV Treatment Cascade
 Umlazi U21 Clinic: Achieving Consistency in reporting of SAC1 within 24 hours
 Kwamakhutha Clinic: Achieving Consistency in reporting of SAC1 within 24 hours
 Mfume Clinic: Outstanding performance in retention in care of HIV and NCD Clients through CCMDD
 Umnini Clinic: Excellent Grading in Compliance by OHSC



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NURSING WITH HEART AND SOUL



Sr Bulelani Nomkhosi Mkhize, a dedicated clinical nurse practitioner at Umnini Clinic, has made it her mission to go above and beyond in serving her community. With a passion for combating teenage pregnancies, drug abuse, GBVF, trying to minimize sti's and mental wellness leading to severe depression and anxiety, Bulelani provides unwavering support to vulnerable populations, including immunocompromised children. Through home visits, school outreach and community events, she promotes AYFS, inspiring positive change. Her tireless efforts have earned recognition, including an award at the eThekweni Health District Quality Day and Service Excellence Awards on the 5th of December 2024.



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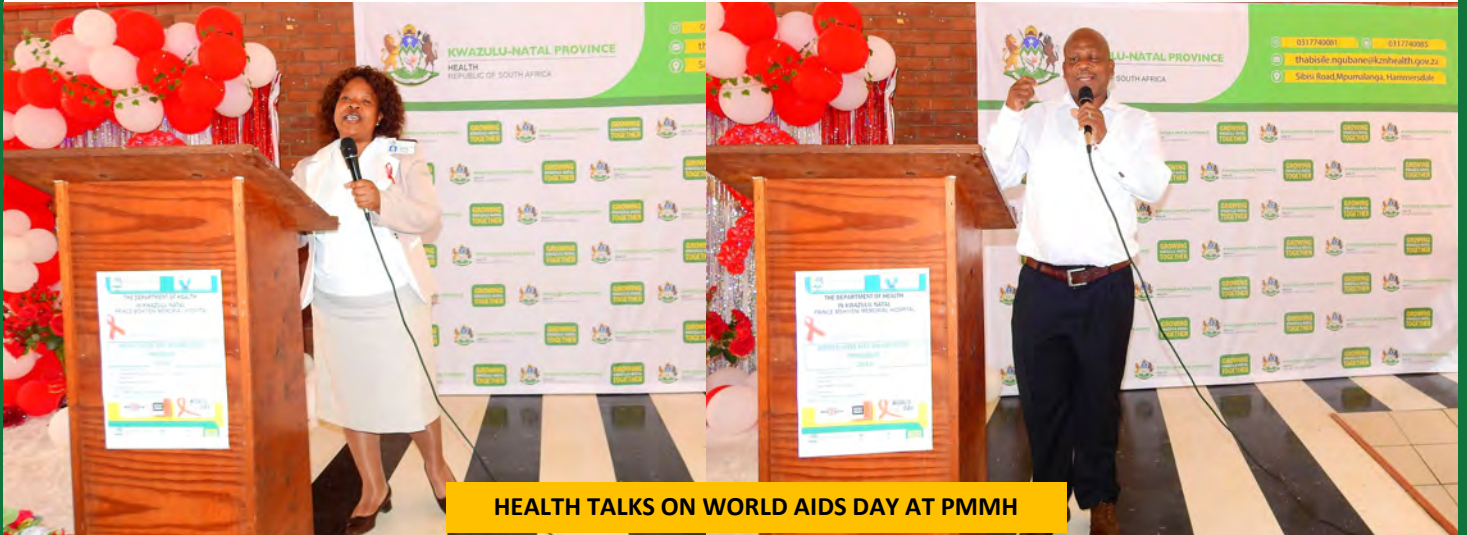
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WORLD AIDS DAY AT PMMH



HEALTH TALKS ON WORLD AIDS DAY AT PMMH

World Aids Day is observed annually in December. On the 6th of December 2024 PMMH also held a program to raise awareness about HIV and AIDS and to mourn those who have died from AIDS-related illnesses. The purpose of the day was to promote unity and action in the fight against HIV, as well as to support those affected by the disease.

The event featured powerful testimonies from individuals who shared their personal journeys living with HIV. Their stories highlighted the importance of support, care and compassion for those affected by the disease. The event featured a rousing performance by a talented gospel choir Iqiniso Gospel Choir, whose uplifting music thoroughly entertained the audience.

As we reflect on the success of World Aids Day, let's remember that there's still much work to be done. We must continue to raise awareness, promote education and support research efforts to combat HIV/AIDS.



WORLD AIDS DAY IN SESSION AT PMMH

CLOSURE OF THE 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM



On the 10th of December 2024 the 16 Days of Activism for No Violence Against Women and Children came to a close, marking a successful campaign that brought together individuals from diverse backgrounds to raise awareness about gender-based violence. The event featured speakers from various religions and beliefs, who shared powerful messages of hope, resilience and solidarity. The Iqiniso gospel Choir's dynamic performance was a standout feature of the event, filling the room with joyful music and energizing the atmosphere.

As the 16 Days of Activism came to a close, it's essential to recognize that the fight against gender-based violence is an ongoing struggle. It requires sustained commitment, collective action and a willingness to challenge the underlying causes of violence and discrimination.



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MALUKAZI COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAM



MALUKAZI COMMUNITY RECEIVING HEALTH SERVICES

On the 12th of December 2024, the Prince Mshiyeni Memorial Hospital conducted a successful community outreach program, bringing essential medical services directly to the Malukazi community. A team of healthcare professionals and support staff utilized mobile clinics to provide comprehensive medical checkups, consultations and treatments to community members.

This community outreach program drew a large crowd, with numerous individuals and families taking advantage of the opportunity to receive medical assistance. The team worked diligently to ensure that everyone received the care they needed.



MALUKAZI COMMUNITY OUTREACH IN SESSION



KZN MEC WELCOMING BABIES BORN ON NEW YEAR'S DAY



KZN MECS FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT HANDING OVER GIFTS TO NEW MOTHERS

On the 1st of January 2025 KZN Health MEC Ms. Nomagugu Simelane visited Prince Mshiyeni Memorial Hospital the biggest and busiest hospital in the Province delivering approximately 900-1200 babies monthly, to welcome the first babies of 2025. As of 7am on New Year's Day, 45 babies had been born in healthcare facilities across KwaZulu Natal, consisting of 26 girls and 19 boys. Prince Mshiyeni Memorial Hospital specifically had four New Year's babies, with three girls and one boy at that time. The MEC then delivered a poignant and inspiring address, emphasizing the significance of embracing new beginnings and exploring innovative approaches. She shared heart warming details about the babies born on New Year's Day, while also tackling critical issues such as teenage pregnancies and the imperative need for open and honest dialogue. Furthermore, the MEC underscored the importance of early presentation by pregnant women at healthcare facilities, highlighting the benefits of timely medical attention for both mother and child.



KZN MECS FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT HANDING OVER GIFTS TO NEW MOTHERS



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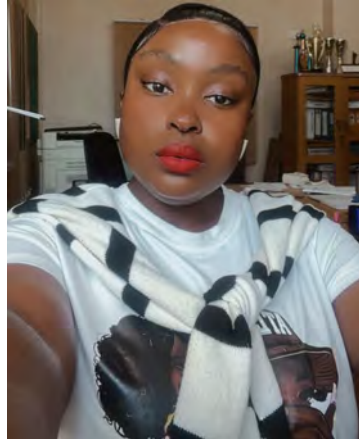
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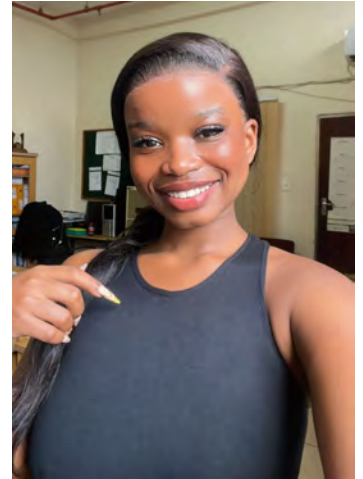
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