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# CEO'S CORNER



**Mrs S Ranjoomia : Acting CEO**

Greetings to all Richmond hospital employees, contracted companies and all stakeholders. Richmond community has expressed their gratitude to the hospital management and staff for all the services they have received as from 1 December 2023 when our facility started working as a District hospital. I, as the Acting Chief Executive Officer would like to thank all employees who have rendered their selfless love and care to our clients. We started with a MOU but due to the demand we have now opened up the following wards:

The facility now have the following wards : Maternity, Male medical, Female medical, Paediatrics, OPD and Casualty. Despite all the challenges we faced along the way, we are proud to announce that we have managed to appoint and fill many vacant posts i.e. pharmacy supervisor, Medical Manager and Chief artisan, we are still hoping to fill future posts.

The hospital governance is also going accordingly as we now have a functional Hospital board and other relevant committees within the facility. Recently the facility has embarked in the program that has been encouraged by our Honourable MEC Ms. Nomagugu Simelane the “ISIBHEDLELA KUBANTU”, which was very successful. We would like to thank all parties that were involved.

# Condom Week

On the 14 February 2023 Richmond hospital outreach team visited local farms, shopping centre, taverns and taxi ranks to give education on STI's and condom usage. We choose to focus on visiting farms this year because most of the employees are working there fulltime on a daily basis therefore they don't get time to visit clinics and hospitals. The farm owner welcomed us and gave us enough time to give education as well conducting HIV testing. The day was a great success as many people participated and were engaged in asking many questions



Mr S. Ntshangashe, Mr. H Bhengu  
Mr. B Ngcobo doing condom distribution at Boxer and Spar shopping centres

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# Isibhedlela Kubantu

Richmond hospital responded to the call of DOH MEC Ms. N Simalane where she announced the Isibhedlela Kubantu Program (taking hospital to the people), by identifying a deep rural area called Inhlazuka in ward 5 of Richmond municipality. The event took place on the 10<sup>th</sup> of May 2023 at Tusong Center. The event was attended by the RCH management team, PHC management, and all different categories of personnel. Our social partners such as: HST, THINK and PSI supported the event, as well as the department of Agriculture who came to distribute vegetables seeds to the community to plant. The community of Nhlazuka came out in numbers as we saw a head-count of more than 677 people. RCH received a big support from both the traditional and municipal leadership, the Chief, Inkosi Mkhize and Richmond Municipality Mayor Mr. M Ngcongco visited the venue to see and ensure that things went accordingly. The services that were rendered included the following: medical services, nursing, physiotherapy, Dietetics, social work, wheelchair repair services, oral care, eye care, pharmacy and X-rays were done on spot.



# Isibhedlela kubantu pics



Community receiving services and those in the waiting area.



Richmond municipality Mr. M Ngcongco (left), Richmond Hospital Acting CEO Mrs S.R Ranjoomia and Inkosi yas'Embo: Inkosi Mkhize also graced the event with his presence to ensure that everything went accordingly

# World Hand-Hygiene Day

Hand hygiene is a fundamental principle of infection prevention. When correctly practiced, this basic and cost effective intervention saves lives. Every year May 5 is designated as World Hand Hygiene Day. WHO once more this year sent out a call to action for all healthcare facilities in the world to participate in activities that promote hand hygiene. In response to that call, Richmond Hospital endeavours to continually promote the value of hand hygiene to all internal and external stakeholders thereby reducing healthcare associated infections. On the 24 May 2023, Richmond Hospital hosted its institutional event and motivated staff to adhere to the precautions and standards set by the DOH, management team led by the acting CEO Mrs S.R Ranjoomia were also given a pledge to sign as a commitment to the hand-hygiene practice in the facility . The event was attended by all different categories of staff and we would like to appreciate



IPC manager Mr. S Mkhize asked all different categories of staff to put their hand print in the banner in the above picture as their symbol of commitment to hand hygiene.

# World Hand-Hygiene Day Pics



# USUKU LWABAHLENGIKAZI

“The very first requirement in a hospital is that it should do the sick no harm” lawa ngamazwiashiwo nguFlorence Nightingale owaziwa kakhulu kwezempilo nge”Lady with the Lamp”. Umphathi wabahlengikazi umama uMlotshwa nguye owethule inqgikithi yosuku njengalokhu isibhedlela besigubha lolusuku lwamanesi ngohlaka 31/05/2023. isiqubulo salonyaka besithi “our future our nurses”

Isibhedlela sase Richmond saba ingxenye yomgubho wosuku lwabahlengikazi ogujwa umhlaba wonke owaziwa ngeInternational Nurses Day oba njalo ngomhlaka 12 kuMay. Mhla zingu 31 kuMay abahlengikazi kanye nabaphathi besibhedlela saseRichmond bahlanganyela e-Controll Office Hall, bezobungaza i-Nurses Day yokuqala ngqa esibhedlela saseRichmond njengoba sesisezingeni lesifunda (district hospital) ebe nesasasa elikhulu yaphinde yaba impumelelo. Abaphathi besibhedlela bawabonga bawakhuthaza amanesi ukuba aqhubeke nokuba sophondweni lwempi yezokunikwa kosizo esibhedlela kwiziguli, Isikhulumi sosuku uMnumzane Ndaba oysisikhulu ophikweni lwabahlengikazi wachaza kabanzi ngomlando walo lolusuku oselugujwe um’hlabawonke kusukula ngo1965, lapho kusuke kuqhakanjiswa khona uFlorence Nigthingale okunguye owaba neqhaza ekusungulweni kwalolusuku. Ihovisi likasomlomo kanye nabahleli bomcimbi bathanda ukudlulisa ukubonga okukhulu kubo bonke ababamba iqhaza ekutheni lomcimbi ube yimpumelelo.



The hospital acting CEO Mrs S.R Ranjoomia and Medical manager Dr. B.I Gebashe and Nursing Manager Mrs J.L Mlotshwa escorted by the nurses



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# IGNITING CHANGE

Richmond hospital management held a very special event, where they called all staff including staff from the private sectors to the “igniting change session”. The event took place on the 26 April 2023 at 10h00 in the control office. The purpose of this session was to motivate employees and give updates on the new services that the hospital is now rendering. Key note speaker Dr Vivienne Schultz talked about how to prepare our minds to accept change as well as embrace the change that is ongoing in the facility. Mrs SR Ranjoomia acting CEO, also appreciated the work that has been done so far during this transaction and she thanked and pleaded with all staff to continue being patient during this time due to ongoing sporadic changes that cannot always be explained in time. The staff were thankful for this event and felt appreciated and valued. Management sponsored the event with refreshments and a beautiful cake written “ RICHMOND STAFF WE APPRECIATE AND THANK YOU”

Richmond Hospital staff during the Igniting change event



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# IGNITING CHANGE PICS



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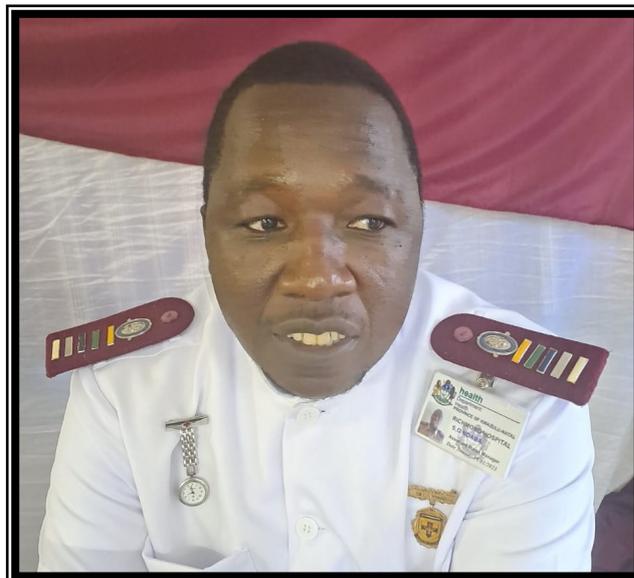
# Nurses day Celebration pics



# Newly appointed Managers



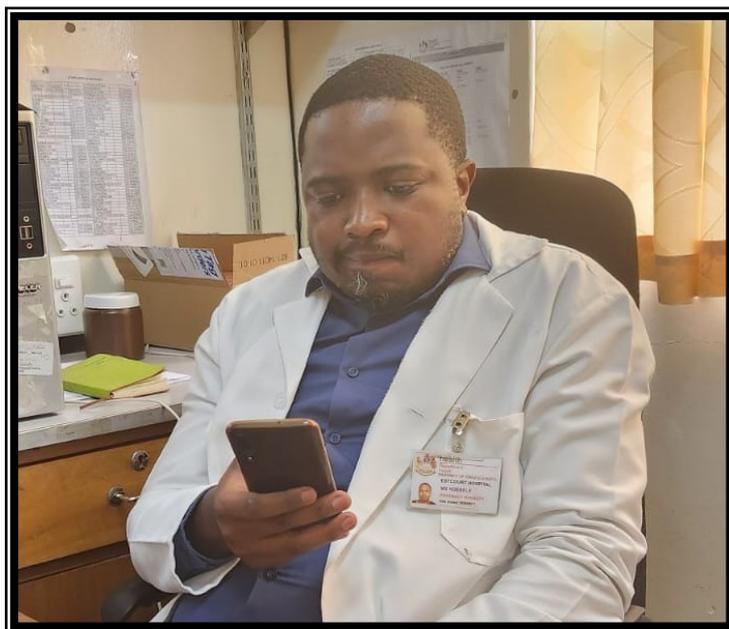
**DR. B.I GEBASHE : MEDICAL MANGER**



**MR. S. NDABA : ASSISTANT NURSING**



**MR. S NXUMALO: CHIEF ARTISAN**



**MR. S NDEBELE: PHARMACY MANAGER**

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