## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH



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## MEDIA INVITATION A CALL TO ACTION.... STOP TB NOW

The Minister of Health, Dr Manto Tshabalala-Msimang invites you to a presentation on South Africa's Tuberculosis Crisis Plan and World TB Day commemoration on Friday, March 24, 2006.

The World Health Organisation has declared Tuberculosis a health emergency in Sub-Sahara Africa. In response, the Health Department has drafted a crisis plan that aims to address and eradicate TB in the country over the next few years. The Minister of Health together with senior government officials will present the TB crisis plan at the King George V Hospital and thereafter proceed to Folweni sports grounds, South of Durban to commemorate World TB Day.

Date: Friday, March 24, 2006

Time: 7:30am for 8:00am

Venue: King George V Hospital

Stanley Copley Road

**Entrance: Howell Road off Stanley Copley Rd** 

Sydeham, Durban

Community event at Folweni

Time: 10:00 for 10:30

**Venue:** Folweni Sports Grounds

Umbumbulu, South of Durban

## **ENDS**

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