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HAPPY HERITAGE DAY



The Ndwedwe CHC celebrated the Heritage Day on the 22 September 2023, the theme of the day was "AZIBUYELE EMASISWENI" meaning back to my roots. Heritage Day was once known as Shaka's Day and it celebrated Shaka Zulu, the Zulu king who formed the zulu nation. It was the Inkatha Freedom Party who renamed Shaka's Day to Heritage Day. This was done so that other traditions could be celebrated on this day. The newly named Heritage Day was first celebrated in 1995. Heritage plays an important role in promoting cultural diversity, social cohesion,

reconciliation, peace and economic development.

The employees honored the day as they perfectly represented their cultures and they look beautiful in their attires. Different traditional food was contributed among departments, dance and music was shared and everyone enjoyed.













HERITAGE DAY PICTURES



Chronic Department Staff



Maternity Department Staff



Acute Department Staff



Pharmacy Department Staff



Human Resources Department



Best Dressed









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BEHAVIOURAL CHANGE EVENT FOR SCHOLARS



On the 1st of September 2023, Love Life and Soul City organisation in collaboration with Ndwedwe CHC hosted a behavior change event for neighboring schools. In the event four schools were invited namely Nombika High School, Lihlithemba High School, Maqokomela High School and Sisebenzile High School. All invited schools were tasked to prepare a performance such as poems, roleplays, dance and singing that will raise an awareness about behavior changes faced by the youth.

The aim of the event was to address various social ills or challenges that affects the youth inside and outside schools namely, Teenage pregnancy, Mental health, HIV & TB, Drugs, Substance abuse and Gender Based Violence etc.

Recent statistics has revealed Ndwedwe sub-district as the area faced with a high Teenage pregnancy rate. On the day students had a chance to showcase how Gender base violence, drugs affects their lives which results to teenage pregnancy and poor school performance. It was very inspirational and breath taking to see how talented scholars can portray gender base violence and other social ills through role play. We also invited other stakeholders such as Sanlam, Avbob and Metropolitan. We would like to thank all participants for making the day a success.











Event pictures



Sr Khuzwayo from Acute Department



Nombika High School Leaners



Mrs. Z Cele Registered Psychologist



Ms A Khumalo from Soul City











FINANCIAL EDUCATION WORKSHOP

With the inflation rising, it is Important to be financial stable and educated.

What is financial literacy?

On the 13 of October 2023, Mr Zain Khan from Wagewise visited Ndwedwe CHC staff members with the aim to educate them on how to manage their finances.

Mr. Z. Khan then explained that financial literacy is the knowledge of budgeting, saving and investing, enabling individuals to make informed decisions about their personal finances.



Attendees attentively listening to the presenter



Mr Zain Khan From Wagewise



Attendees of the event











FAREWELL TO KATHLEENE, OUR PHYSIOTHERAPHIST.



Mrs. K. Ventekas (Physiotherapist)

Ndwedwe CHC management and staff would like to bid farewell to Mrs. K Ventekas. She has served the community of Ndwedwe since 2012 till 31 October 2023 as a Physiotherapist. Through out the years she has been a dedicated employee and a supportive supervisor to her sub-ordinate.

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Medical and Allied Team bidding farewell to Mrs. K. Ventekas

Mrs Ventekas served
Ndwedwe community with
compassion and high level
of integrity under challenging
conditions. Management
and staff would like so wish
her well in her new work
place.





KZN Department of Health





Let Communities Lead - World AIDS Day 2023



On the 1st December 2023 Ndwedwe CHC commemorated World Aids Day. The theme for this year was "Let Communities Lead" putting an emphases on all communities to stand together as a united front in fighting HIV/AIDS. **Global HIV statistics show** 39 million [33.1 million—45.7 million] people globally were living with HIV in 2022 and 1.3 million [1 million—1.7 million] people became newly infected with HIV in 2022. 630 000 [480 000—880 000] people died from AIDS-related illnesses in 2022. These numbers show that we need to intensify education about the pandemic.

During our commemoration we had health talks to our patients about HIV/AIDS; other topics which were covered were choric diseases and the importance of taking medication all the time. In South Africa, social and economic disparities, female disempowerment, and high rates of rape are among the causes of high rate of HIV/AIDS. There are numerus factors with leads to high HIV infection such as prostitution which is caused by high level of poverty and high rate of unemployment amongst youth who are sexually active.









PICTURES OF WORLD AIDS DAY



Mr. M. Dlamini (PRO) Distributing Ribbons



Sr Thusi And Sr Msomi Leading Commemoration Walk in Chronic Department



Sr Msomi Educating Mothers About HIV/AIDS And The Importance Of Taking ARV's



Sr. Msomi Leading Commemoration Walk To Acute Department













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