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CJM HOSPITAL COMMEMORATED WORLD AIDS ON 01 December 2025

On the 1st of December 2025, the hospital joined the global community in commemorating World AIDS Day under the theme “Overcoming Disruption, Transforming the AIDS Response.” This important day provided an opportunity to reflect on the progress made in the fight against HIV and AIDS, while acknowledging ongoing challenges that affect the response at local, national, and global levels.

The theme underscored the need for resilience, innovation, and collaboration in overcoming disruptions such as health system pressures, social inequalities, and stigma. It called upon all stakeholders to strengthen prevention, testing, treatment, and long-term care services for people living with HIV.

As part of the commemoration, the hospital conducted a series of awareness activities aimed at educating staff, patients, and community members about HIV prevention, treatment, and care. Free HIV testing and counselling services were offered to encourage early diagnosis and timely linkage to care.

Educational sessions were held to address myths and misconceptions surrounding HIV and AIDS, promote treatment adherence, and foster a culture of empathy and non-discrimination. These engagements reinforced the hospital’s commitment to creating a supportive environment for all patients.

Hospital management extends its sincere appreciation to healthcare professionals, support staff, partners, and community representatives who contributed to the success of the commemoration. Their collective efforts continue to strengthen the HIV and AIDS response.



ACTING CEO (MRS. T.P. NDLOVU) LIGHTING THE CANDLE DURING WORLD AIDS DAY THAT WAS HELD AT CHARLES JOHNSON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT.

RE- GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE MARCH ON THE 04TH OF DECEMBER 2025 .

Re–Gender-Based Violence March Held on 4 December 2025

On 4 December 2025, hospital staff, together with members of NEHAWU, participated in a Re–Gender-Based Violence March as part of ongoing efforts to raise awareness and take a stand against Gender-Based Violence and Femicide (GBVF).

The march was held under the powerful slogan “Men, women, boys and girls working together to end gender-based violence and femicide.” This message emphasized the importance of collective responsibility and unity across all genders and age groups in confronting and eradicating GBVF in our communities.

Participants demonstrated solidarity and commitment to creating a safe, respectful, and violence-free society. The event also served as a reminder that ending gender-based violence requires sustained action, advocacy, and collaboration between institutions, labour unions, and the broader community.

The hospital, in partnership with NEHAWU, reaffirmed its commitment to promoting human dignity, equality, and zero tolerance for all forms of abuse and violence



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LUVISI PRIMARY GRADE 07 GRADUATION AND FAREWEL CEREMONY –2025

Luvisi Primary School recently hosted a memorable Grade 7 Graduation and Farewell Ceremony for the Class of 2025 on 24 October 2025, marking an important milestone in the learners' academic journey. The event was a true testament to the school's vision, dedication, and collaboration among all stakeholders.

The ceremony celebrated the achievements of the Grade 7 learners who have worked diligently over the years, demonstrating resilience, discipline, and a commitment to excellence. As they prepare to transition to the next phase of their education, the learners were encouraged to carry forward the values instilled at Luvisi Primary School.

The school extends sincere appreciation to the parents and guardians for their unwavering support, guidance, and partnership. Their involvement has played a critical role in shaping the learners' academic growth, character, and confidence.

Special recognition is given to the educators and school staff for their dedication, patience, and tireless efforts in nurturing and mentoring the learners. Their commitment continues to inspire learners and prepare them for future success.

The Grade 7 Graduation and Farewell Ceremony was both a celebration of achievement and a moment of reflection. As Luvisi Primary School bids farewell to the Class of 2025, it does so with pride and confidence, wishing the learners success in their future endeavours.



LEARNERS FROM LUVISI PRIMARY SCHOOL (GRADE07) DURING THEIR FAREWELL.



DOCTOR Z.P. KHUMALO ADDRESSING LEARNERS OF LUVISI PRIMARY (GRADE 07) DURING THEIR GRADUATION CEREMONY.



LEARNERS FROM LUVISI PRIMARY SCHOOL (GRADE 07) WHO WANT TO CLINICIANS .



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WORLD DISABILITY DAY CELEBRATION

Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy Participation in World Disability Day Commemoration

On 14 November 2025, the hospital's Physiotherapist and Occupational Therapist attended the World Disability Day commemoration, which was hosted by the local municipality in partnership with Assupol Trust. The event brought together various stakeholders committed to promoting the rights, inclusion, and well-being of persons with disabilities within the community.

The commemoration aimed to raise awareness about disability issues, celebrate the abilities and contributions of persons with disabilities, and promote inclusive development and equal access to services. The programme included educational talks, stakeholder engagement, and community outreach activities focused on empowerment, social inclusion, and access to support services.

The presence of the Physiotherapist and Occupational Therapist highlighted the hospital's ongoing commitment to rehabilitation services, disability support, and community-based care. Through engagement with community members and other service providers, the therapists shared valuable information on rehabilitation, assistive devices, functional independence, and strategies to improve quality of life for persons living with disabilities.

The event also provided an opportunity for networking and strengthening partnerships between the hospital, the municipality, Assupol Trust, and other stakeholders involved in disability advocacy and support services. Such collaborations are essential in ensuring a coordinated approach to addressing the needs of persons with disabilities.



COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO HAVE ATTENDED DISABILITY DAY AT MPUMELELWENI HALL.



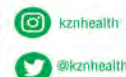
MS. LIBHONGWE MVANA (OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST) ADDRESSING COMMUNITY MEMBERS DURING DISABILITY DAY.



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CJM HOSPITAL COMMEMORATES WORLD PREMATURETY DAY

On 19 November 2025, the hospital commemorated World Prematurity Day under the theme “Giving Every Baby a Fair Start”. The event highlighted the importance of improving survival, health, and long-term outcomes for babies born too soon, as well as supporting their families. World Prematurity Day is observed globally to raise awareness about preterm birth and its impact on new-born, families, and the health system. During the commemoration, healthcare professionals emphasized the need for early identification of risks, quality antenatal care, skilled delivery services, and comprehensive neonatal care to reduce complications associated with prematurity.

The programme included health education session focusing on maternal health, the importance of regular antenatal visits, and proper nutrition during pregnancy, infection prevention, and adherence to medical advice. Staff also highlighted the critical role of kangaroo mother care, breast feeding, and follow up care in improving outcomes for premature infants.

Health care workers in maternity and neonatal units reaffirmed their commitment to providing compassionate, high quality care to premature babies. Parents and caregivers were encouraged and empowered with information to actively participate in the care of their infants. The commemoration served as a reminder that every baby a fair start requires collaboration between health care providers, families, and the broader community. The hospital remains dedicated to strengthening maternal and child health services to ensure that every baby, regardless of the circumstances of their birth, has the best possible start in life.



MOTHER'S OF PREMATURE BABIES ATTENDED PREMATURETY DAY.



DR. Z.G. NXUMALO HANDING GIFTS TO MOTHERS OF PREMATURE BABIES.



LABOUR WARD STAFF MEMBERS WHO HAVE ATTENDED PREMATURE BABIES.



MATRON T.P. NDLOVU WELCOMING GUESTS DURING PREMATURETY DAY.



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CJM CELEBRATED WORLD RADIOGRAPHER'S DAY

CJM Hospital Radiographer's and Sonographer's as the eye of medicine celebrated world Radiographer's day on 06th of November 2025 and refreshments were also served

On 6 November 2025, the hospital's Radiographers and Sonographers' Day in recognition of their vital role in patient diagnosis and management. The celebration honoured the dedication, professionalism, and expertise of imaging professionals who support clinical decision-making across all departments.

World Radiographer's Day is observed annual to acknowledge the contribution of medical imaging in modern healthcare. During the commemoration, and monitoring of diseases was highlighted. Radiographers and Sonographers play a critical role in ensuring quality imaging while prioritising patient safety and compassionate care.

The event provided an opportunity to reflect on the profession's commitment to excellence, continuous learning, and the use of advanced technology to improve patient outcomes. Colleagues and management expressed appreciation for the unwavering support imaging professionals provide to multidisciplinary healthcare teams.

To mark the occasion, refreshment were served, allowing staff members to celebrate together in a relaxed and collegial atmosphere. The gathering fostered unity, recognition, and morale among the imaging team.

The hospital remains proud of its Radiographers and Sonographers and acknowledges their indispensable contribution as the "eyes of medicine," ensuring accurate diagnosis and improved quality of care for patients.



CJM RADIOGRAPHER'S CELEBRATING RADIOGRAPHER'S DAY



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CJM TAKES HEALTHCARE SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY

On 19 November 2025, the hospital extended healthcare services beyond its wall by taking services directly to the community in collaboration with other government departments and key stakeholders. This outreach initiative formed part of ongoing efforts to improve access to health care and promote preventive services at community level.

The programme aimed to bring essential health services closer to the people, particularly to individual who may experience challenges accessing healthcare facilities. Services provided included health education, screening, and referrals, with a strong focus on disease prevention, early detection, and health promotion.

Though collaboration with other departments, the initiative addressed a broad range of health and social needs, demonstrating a multi-sectorial approach to community wellness. Community members were engaged on topics such as healthy lifestyle, maternal and child health, chronic disease management, and the importance of seeking timely medical care.

The outreach also strengthened partnership between the hospital, government department, and the community, fostering trust and cooperation in addressing health challenges. The active participation of healthcare professionals ensured that community members received accurate information and appropriate guidance.

The hospital remains committed to community-oriented primary healthcare and will continue to support initiatives that prompted accessible, integrated, and patient-centred healthcare services for all.



COMMUNITY MEMBERS CAME IN LARGE NUMBERS TO RECEIVE GOVERNMENT SERVICES.



HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS ATTENDING TO THE COMMUNITY.



STAKEHOLDERS WHO WERE AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT THE EVENT AT JABAVU COMMUNITY HALL.



DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS WAS AVAILABLE TO ATTEND TO THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS.



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CJM HOSPITAL AND ITS CLINICS COMMEMORATED IPC WEEK.

According to the Legislated Norms and Standards, OHSC requires that at least 80% of the Health Care Workers (clinical and non-clinical) should receive an in-service training on Standard Precautions. The third week of October every year is regarded as the IPC Week. The CJM hospital's IPC week commemoration took place on the 19th –25th October 2025. All wards and departments had to choose a topic from standard precautions and conduct an in-service training.

Objectives of the standard precautions project were:

- ◆ To ensure that all staff members in the institution know about standard precautions as they are the basic level of infection prevention measures that are to be used as a minimum in the care of all patients.
- ◆ To ensure that all standard precaution principles are promoted and adhered to by all wards and departments.
- ◆ To provide all staff with evidence based guidance for preventing the spread of infection from recognised and unrecognised sources in the health care facilities.



STAFF MEMBER DEMONSTRATING HOW TO DO HAND WASH.



MATRON MAJOLA ENGAGING WITH STAFF MEMBERS FOR DEMONSTRATION ON TO WAS HANDS.

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