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Health Minister to preside over graduation ceremony Cuban trained Doctors

Pretoria: Minister of Health, Dr Joe Phaahla will this week on Friday preside over the graduation ceremony of almost 600 medical doctors trained through Cuban universities as part of Nelson Mandela/Fidel Castro Medical Collaboration Programme.

The objective of the programme is to alleviate shortage of doctors in South Africa, especially in the historically disadvantaged communities and well as to improve human resource capacity and strengthen the healthcare system in the country.

Minister Phaahla will be joined by Deputy Minister Dr Sibongiseni Dhlomo, Deputy Minister of Health in Republic of Cuba Dr Luis Fernando LF Navarro, Acting Vice Chancellor and Principal of the University of Pretoria Prof BT Maharaj; as well as provincial MECs for Health and representatives from the University of Havana in Cuba.

Details of the Event are as follows:

Date: Friday, 08 July 2022

Time: 09h00

Venue: University of Pretoria, Mamelodi Campus, Cnr Hinterland & Solomon

Mahlangu Avenue, Gauteng province

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