



#### **MEDIA ADVISORY**

To: Editors & Health Journalists

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### **GOVERNMENT CONVENES SECOND PRESIDENTIAL HEALTH SUMMIT**

**Pretoria**: The Government will this week (04 - 05 May 2023), convene the second Presidential Health Summit at the Birchwood Hotel in Boksburg, Gauteng to conduct review on the implementation of the interventions agreed to during the 2018 summit and assess the performance of the health system against the Health Compact.

President Cyril Ramaphosa will lead the government delegation to this two-day summit which will bring together key stakeholders from various constituencies within the health sector, to identify alternative and sustainable interventions to ensure that measures are in place to implement the mechanisms that have not yet been implemented to recover towards the targets not yet attained.

The Summit will also serve as a platform for government to assess the readiness of the health system to implement National Health Insurance (NHI) and identify urgent measures needed to recalibrate the system and accelerate the NHI reforms and synthesize international experiences and shape approaches for moving closer to building health systems resilience in the South African context.

#### **DETAILS OF THE SUMMIT ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

#### DAY ONE:

Date: Thursday, 04 May 2023

Time: 08:30 - 17:00

Venue: Birchwood Conference Centre

## **DAY TWO**

Date: Friday, 05 May 2023

Time: 08:30 - 17:00

Venue: Birchwood Conference Centre

Members of the media covering the summit should register online and provide their names and ID/Passport numbers by 13h00 on Tuesday, 02 May 2023, through the following link:

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**NB**: Only accredited media will be allowed to cover the event. Some of the sessions may be closed to the media. Members of the media are advised to collect the accreditation cards in person and to bring along their ID or Passport documents.

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