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Health Deputy Minister Dhlomo to visit Ideal Clinics in KZN

Pretoria: The Deputy Minister of Health, Dr Sibongiseni Dhlomo will tomorrow (Monday, 21 August) conduct a site-visit to primary health facilities/clinics in Newcastle under Amajuba District in KwaZulu-Natal to officially acknowledge the good work and efforts by health workers and stakeholders in the area for achieving the platinum status of ideal clinic as part of National Quality Improvement Plan.

The Ideal Clinic programme is an initiative launched July 2013 as a way of systematically improve the quality of care provided in Primary Health Care facilities around the country. Thus, for clinics to achieve the status of “Ideal Clinic”, they need to meet the following requirements: good infrastructure, adequate staff, adequate medicine and supplies, good administrative processes, and sufficient adequate bulk supplies. The clinics also need to use applicable clinical policies, protocols and guidelines, harness partner and stakeholder support.

The initiative lays a strong foundation for the successful implementation of National Health Insurance through transformation of all Primary Health Care facilities to conform to NHI standards. Over 2000 of public clinics have achieve Ideal Clinic status across the country, and 6 A number of public clinics across the country, and the department is working closely with provinces and districts to support them increase the number as part of service delivery improvement plan. Amajuba is one of the districts with the highest number of Ideal Clinics.

Members of the media are invited to join Deputy Minister as follows:

Date: Monday, 21 August 2023
Venue: Amajuba Health District Office, Newcastle – KZN
Time: 08h30

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