

## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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### **Deputy Minister Phaahla conducts oversight to health infrastructure in Limpopo**

**Pretoria:** The Deputy Minister of Health, Dr Joe Phaahla will this week embark on an oversight visit in Limpopo Province to conduct inspection in loco at the construction sites of hospitals in the province as part of health infrastructure improvement programme to improve the quality of care.

Health infrastructure is a key pillar to strengthening the health system to achieve improved standards of care and wellbeing for patients, health workers together with a good experience of the health care system. This is also critical to support the attainment of universal health coverage and restore trust in public services.

Deputy Minister Phaahla will be accompanied by provincial and local government leaders, traditional leaders and senior government officials when he visits the construction sites of Siloam hospital in Vhembe District on Thursday and Limpopo Academic hospital in Polokwane Municipality on Friday.

The department has been constructing new state-of-art health facilities and upgrading the existing ones across the country to improve access to quality health care in preparation for the phased implementation of the National Health Insurance to ensure equal access to quality and affordable health care for all.

### **Members of the media are invited as follows:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Time</b>
Thursday, 26 September	Siloam Hospital Construction sites, Vhembe District Municipality	10h00
Friday, 27 September	Limpopo Academic Hospital Construction sites, Polokwane Local Municipality	9h00

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