



MINUTES OF THE KWAZULU-NATAL PROVINCIAL COUNCIL ON AIDS (PCA) MEETING

HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 2016 AT THE GREY'S HOSPITAL IN PIETERMARITZBURG

PCA CHAIRPERSON: MR TW MCHUNU, PREMIER OF THE KWAZULU-NATAL PROVINCE

PCA DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON: MR P MDLETSHE, CHAIRPERSON OF THE KWAZULU-NATAL CIVIL SOCIETY FORUM

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ITEM	DISCUSSION	RESOLUTION/ACTION
1.1 OPENING AND WELCOME	<p>The meeting was declared open at 13h39 by the Chairperson, Premier of KwaZulu-Natal, Mr TW Mchunu.</p> <p>The Chairperson welcomed and appreciated all the Members of the Executive Council (MECs), Heads of Departments (HODs), Districts Mayors and Local Mayors who attended the PCA for the very first time after the Local government elections held on the 3rd of August 2016. He warmly welcomed all PCA members, PCA observers, Provincial and District support officials, support machinery in OSS and other new members attending the PCA for the first time today.</p> <p>In his opening remarks the Chairperson indicated that more than 20 000 people attended International AIDS Conference held in July 20i6 at ICC Durban. He further highlighted that there are more than 17 million people on treatment worldwide of which more than 3 million are</p>	

	<p>in South Africa and more than 1 million in KZN</p> <p>As KwaZulu-Natal, one has to reflect on this Conference, take valuable lessons that were learnt to enhance the fight against HIV and AIDS and TB.</p> <p>The Chairperson said the World AIDS Day (WAD) 2016 event will be on the 1st of December 2016 in all districts of KZN and the theme for World AIDS Day 2016 <i>'it is in our hand to change'</i>. The theme seeks to encourage citizens to test and know their status. The Chairperson touched on the importance of increasing the number of people on treatment under the 90 90 90 strategy.</p> <p>During the WAD, KwaZulu-Natal will be looking back at milestones achieved and missed opportunities and strive to soldier on with the fight against HIV and AIDS and TB. One of the problems identified was that funding for HIV and AIDS Programmes has decreased. He further urged members to intensify the fight against TB and Hepatitis C, the two major killer of people living with HIV and AIDS. The role the Mayors being at the centre of Local government should play was highlighted by the Chairperson.</p> <p>The Chairperson acknowledged the presence of SANAC and PEPFAR teams and acknowledge CIPLA's donation of bottled water for the PCA meeting.</p>	
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1.3 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA	The agenda was adopted without any amendments	
1.4 MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING	<p>1.4.1. Update on Programmes supporting the turnaround Strategy to address learner pregnancy: MEC for Education Mr M.E Dlungwane introduced the subject and then requested HOD to do the presentation.</p> <p>HOD: Dr E Nzama presented on the “my life my future” programme.</p> <p>Discussion after the presentation were:</p> <p>The Chairperson stated that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Building partnership with civil society which must find expression in the programme and the youth in those schools is critical. ▪ Partnership with the community in relation to the issue of access to condoms must be considered. ▪ Pregnancy and HIV/AIDS are important areas to focus on when dealing with young girls. <p>He further raised a concern on those schools and governing bodies that are against learners accessing condoms and yet learners are getting pregnant.</p> <p>Pastor S Nzimande asked how the programme was going to work since there are issues around condom distribution although there is still a high rate of learner pregnancy. He commented that the programme can teach young girls about prevention tools for young</p>	<p>Department of Education to present the Learner pregnancy Strategy to the Mayors and Social Cluster meetings.</p>

	<p>people.</p> <p>Mr U Mpungose from Youth sector wanted to know how working relations between the Department of Education and civil society can be improved especially with the youth sector in the districts as currently they are experiencing no cooperation from the Department.</p> <p>Adv L Nzama commented that this was indeed a good project however the Province is very rural. The programme need to ensure that the message of abstinence comes across very strongly since there are almost 1000 of leaners that are currently pregnant. This needs to be traced back to the homes, communities and influential people like izinduna to ensure that they work together with the Department.</p> <p>Mr NVE Ngidi proposed that there is a need to create partnership with all the Departments so that issues pertaining to poverty are addressed especially in rural areas. He insisted that there is a need to bring back the family culture.</p> <p>Miss N Khanyile HOD from DSD suggested that the programme be presented at the social Cluster so that it can be supported. And such programme should include profiling of pregnant leaners and their families, DOE to work with DSD in addressing issues that need their interventions.</p> <p>Mr M Zondi from TAC KwaZulu-Natal supported the Department of Education on the strategy but raised a concern that such presentation was presented whilst other Mayors</p>	
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	<p>were not part of the meeting. He added that the Office of the Premier should make sure that Ward AIDS Committees are well functioning. He further recommended that schools should be educated about protection and get access to condoms. He reminded members that Operation Sukuma Sakhe should not only discuss housing matters but the issue of HIV as well should be prioritized.</p> <p>The Chairperson alluded that Ward AIDS Committees (WAC) needs to be functional because it all starts from the ward. This project will not be successfully implemented without the WAC and the main core of OSS is HIV. He further stressed that and all mayors must attend PCA, DAC and LAC meetings.</p> <p>Dr S Dhlomo MEC for Health, mentioned that the social cluster should take a collective responsibility of the strategy presented. Dr Dhlomo also stated that pregnancy in high schools indicate that there is unsafe sex. The question that one may ask is that why there are people who are having sex and decide to have unsafe sex. Is it us as officials/ department that are not giving them access to preventative programmes or they choose not to use them?</p> <p>The overall response from the Department:</p> <p>Mr M E Dlungwane MEC for Education, responded by stating that the question of condom distribution in schools is being attended by the National Department of Basic Education and is currently accessing sponsors on how this could be managed. In addition, he mentioned that some parents are against the condom distribution and some parents are up for the idea</p>	
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	but nothing has been concluded.	
	<p><u>1.4.2 Update on Global Fund Application:</u></p> <p>Ms L Majola from AIDS Foundation South Africa gave an update on the Global fund application which gave progress on the commitment that partners have made in terms of implementing the global fund programme in Kwazulu-Natal.</p> <p>Mr P Mdletshe Deputy-Chairperson of the PCA mentioned that it was crucial that the recipients are linked not only to AIDS Foundation but to participate in the AIDS Councils at District and Local levels.</p>	
1.4 MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING	<p><u>1.4.3 Update on progress Condom factory: Acting MEC for Department of Economic development</u></p> <p>The update on the progress on condom factory was presented and thereafter the Chairperson stressed that it is important for the Province not to rely on the overseas suppliers</p>	
	<p><u>1.4.4 Close out report AIDS 2016 conference: (Dr V Mubaiwa).</u></p> <p>The Close out report of the International AIDS Conference was tabled. In her presentation she mentioned that the Province hosted the event successfully. She further mentioned that quilts were developed with support from Department of Arts and Culture and made by different members of society, people living with HIV. These quilts were to be handed over to the Department of Arts and Culture which will facilitate the process of moving the quilts to Museum in the Province.</p>	<p>Quilts handed over to the Department of Arts and Culture received by MEC B N Sithole - Moloi</p>

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1.4. MINUTES & MATTERS ARISING	<p>1.4.5 The religious sector response by Miss NT Ngwenya</p> <p>Miss T Ngwenya tabled the religious sector response plan that is in line with the provincial response against HIV and AIDS.</p> <p>The Minutes of the PCA Meeting held on the 16 March 2016 adopted by Mr N Khanyile and Pastor S Nzimande adopted the minutes.</p>	
	<p>Mr M Kaunda MEC for Transport, suggested that we adopt another set of minutes for the meeting that was held in 8 June 2016 as these minutes were not read because it was a special meeting for the International AIDS Conference. Dr S Dhlomo MEC for Health adopted minutes, Adv Nzama, HOD Education and Pastor B Nzimande (Ethekeini) seconded.</p>	

SECTION 2: STANDING ITEMS

ITEM	DISCUSSION	RESOLUTION/ACTION
2.1 DISTRICT REPORTS	<p>Attendance of PCA Meeting by the District Mayors</p> <p>Before the presentation of the District synthesis report, the Chairperson commented about the absence of some District Mayors, stating that they all should prioritise the PCA meeting since HIV is a serious issue in the province – the province being the epicentre of the disease.</p> <p>The Chairperson asked why the Mayors are sending their Deputy Mayors to attend PCA while they go to other meetings. He mentioned that if the meeting is of importance the Mayor must be able to prioritise by sending Deputy to that other important meeting so that they (Mayors) attend the PCA meeting as they are needed to present. He further mentioned that PCA meeting is the National priority of the people of KZN. All District and Local Mayors need to strengthen HIV and AIDS programmes in their municipalities and should have a budget set aside for HIV and AIDS.</p> <p>Cllr M Mathaba, Mayor from Nongoma Municipality said on the issue of attendance by Mayors and the fact that they should come ready to present in the PCA meetings.</p> <p>Mr M Zondi stressed that Mayors are the ones who should be present in all PCA meetings as they are District AIDS Council (DAC) Chairpersons providing leadership and guidance in their Districts. He Further stated that there is a need to do and audit on the functionality of</p>	<p>Mayors to prioritise PCA meetings and send Deputy Mayors to the other meetings</p> <p>Mayors who are not attending PCA must send a letter to the Premier stating reasons for not attending.</p>

	<p>WACs and LACs.</p> <p>Analysis of District syntheses reports April 2016 to June 2016 presented by Miss TN Ngwenya</p> <p>The presentation was based on data submitted by all 11 Districts. The presentation was looking at key performance indicators. Ms Ngwenya noted the increase in the number of sexual assaults in Ugu and UMgungundlovu, the quality of data and timeous reporting was still a challenge.</p>	
2.1 DISTRICT REPORTS	<p>Comments and inputs by districts Mayors:</p> <p>Cllr AS Mazibuko, Mayor of uThukela District commended the Office of the Premier for the support the District was receiving. He mentioned that Departments always send junior staff to attend the DAC meetings and the proposed that the DAC and LAC secretariats should not be one person's responsibility.</p> <p>Cllr N Mkhulise, Mayor of King Cetshwayo District commented on that some of work done at the District is not reflected on the report and the Mayor will follow up with the District official on why these are not included in the report.</p> <p>The Chairperson suggested that the item 2.2 which are comments by district mayors to be discussed during the next PCA Meeting.</p>	<p>Orientation of LACs on the HAST response by Office of the Premier to be continued</p>

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2.3 CIVIL SOCIETY REPORT	<p>Civil Society Report by Mr P. Mdletshe:</p> <p>Mr P Mdletshe the Chairperson of the Civil society and the Deputy Chairperson of the PCA presented the Civil society report.</p>	
	<p>Comments made after the Civil Society report</p> <p>Cllr Dr Ngubane, Mayor of Amajuba District raised a concern on the THP and Private health sector HIV testing data that is not recorded and there are no systems to collect this data.</p> <p>Mr A Karim from Al-imdaad foundation mentioned that in different areas political parties are not partaking at local level and there is a big vacuum at the war room.</p> <p>The foundation reported that they have donated 50000 Sanitary towel last year but only 2000 was distributed.</p> <p>The Chairperson appreciated the work done by the Al-imdaad foundation.</p>	<p>The Chairperson the women sector of the CSO to do a follow up</p>

	<p>Cllr N Mkhulisi Mayor of King Cetshwayo District appreciated the report presented by the Chairperson of the Civil society. She also indicated that they have done some work in King Cetshwayo Municipality but does not appear on the report.</p> <p>Mr N Mpungose Youth Sector member, from EThekweni youth sector (was the only Youth present the meeting) made a plea with the Premier to request Mayors to involve youth in HIV and AIDS programmes because they are left behind in getting information. He also requested all Departments to involve the Youth in their programmes.</p>	
3.1 UNIVERSAL TEST AND TREAT	<p>Universal Test & Treat Presented by Dr S Mndaweni</p> <p>Dr S Mndaweni presented the UTT presentation</p> <p>Comments after the presentation</p> <p>Dr Dhlomo, MEC for Health, explained the concept of HIV naïve that it is a person who has never been on treatment in his/her history.</p> <p>Dr S Mndaweni Deputy Director General, clarified that lay counsellors were not being phased out, but were being career-pathed</p>	

3.2 INTEGRATED COMMUNITY CARE GIVERS PROGRAMME	<p>Integrated Community Care Givers Programme Presented (Dr V. Mubaiwa)</p> <p>PCA Deputy Chairperson, Patrick Mdletshe commented that KZN Province must not relax on service rendering as the pandemic is not waiting.</p> <p>There was a concern raised by one of civil society members that care givers earn less than R1800 which is not enough to cover all expenses for the care givers to survive. He made a request that the council intervene in this matter.</p> <p>Another concern was that the civil society members being chased away from their place of work due to political changes and urged OSS structures to intervene in this issue.</p> <p>The PCA Chairperson responded that the issue of caregiver's salaries is being discussed at high level and a presentation will be done in the next PCA meeting on the progress.</p>	
3.4 PROGRESS IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROVINCIAL MULTI-ECTORAL HIV, TB and STIs PLAN 2017-2022	<p>Miss I Maina gave a Progress on the development of the Provincial Multi sectoral Strategic Plan for HIV and AIDS, TB, STI 2017-2022</p>	<p>The final draft will be presented in the next meeting</p>

SECTION 4: MENTIONS AND CLOSURE

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4.1 WORLD AIDS DAY 2016	It was announced that World AIDS Day will be commemorated on the 1 st of December 2016 in all 11 District Municipalities and the Chairperson will be attending UThukela District World AIDS Day.	
4.2 CABINET OSS DAY	The Cabinet OSS activities will be merged with World AIDS Day 2016	
4.3 16 DAYS ACTIVISM AGAINST WOMEN AND CHILD ABUSE	16 Days Activism against Women and Child Abuse on the 25 November 2016 in all 11 districts	
4.4 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING	PCA Meeting to be on 8 March 2017.	
CLOSURE: In his closing remarks Mr TW Mchunu the Chairperson urged members that in KwaZulu-Natal there must be substantial change, this will happen if we worked together at all levels; he further thanked all the participants and wished them a safe journey on their way back home. The meeting was adjourned at 18:43pm.		

BY THE CHAIRPERSON: (Signature).....

BY THE DEPUTY-CHAIRPERSON: (Signature).....