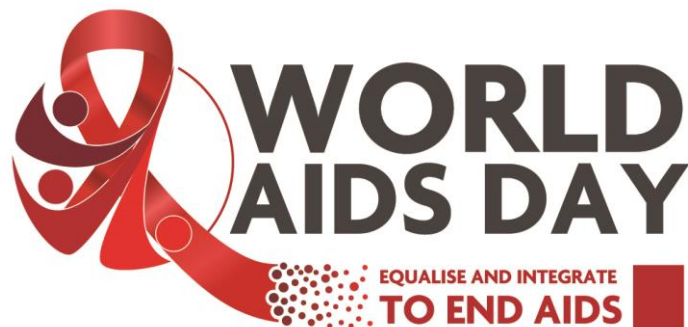




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Summary

| PROVINCIAL WAD COMMEMORATION |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Premier of KwaZulu-Natal Nomusa Dube-Ncube led the Province's World AIDS Day (WAD) commemoration held in Amajuba District on 1 December 2022. An estimated 2 500 community members participated. |
| DISTRICTS WAD COMMEMORATIONS |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All 11 districts held district WAD Commemorations as compared to 9 in 2021. These were held in varied dates between 01 December 2022 and 15 December 2022. A total of 10 672 community members participated as compared to 3 732 people in 2021. |
| THEME DISPLAY |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 districts displayed the WAD 2022 theme prominently. |
| PARTICIPATION BY DISTRICT MEC CHAMPIONS |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8 district WAD commemorations were led by respective District MEC Champions in 2022 as compared to 6 in 2021. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Amajuba-MEC Ms. N Simelane-Zulu Harry Gwala-MEC Mr. S Hlomuka iLembe-MEC Ms. P Nkonyeni uGu-MEC Ms. N Khoza uMgungundlovu-MEC Mr. S Duma uMkhanyakude-MEC Mr. S Zikalala uThukela-MEC Ms. Mbali Fraser Zululand-MEC Mr. N Sibiya |
| PARTICIPATION BY DISTRICT HOD CHAMPIONS |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 Heads of Department (HOD) District Champions participated in their respective District WADs in 2022 as compared to 2 in 2021. |
| PARTICIPATION BY DISTRICT MAYORS |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 District Mayors participated in their respective District WADs in 2022 as compared to 3 in 2021. |
| GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS PARTICIPATION |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13 Government Departments participated in district WAD commemorations in 2022 as compared to 10 in 2021. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Health- All districts except Zululand. Social Development-8 districts. Education-6 districts. Home Affairs-4 districts. SASSA-3 districts. Agriculture and Rural Development-3 districts. Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs-3 districts. Human Settlements-2 districts. Community Safety and Liaison-2 districts. SAPS-2 districts. Justice and Constitutional Development-2 districts. Independent Electoral Commission-2 districts. COGTA-1 district. |

| CIVIL SOCIETY SECTOR PARTICIPATION | |
|--|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11 Civil Society sectors participated in district WAD commemorations in 2022 as compared to 6 in 2021. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. People living with HIV-6 districts 2. Youth-5 districts 3. Women-5 districts 4. Faith Based-4 districts 5. Men-4 districts 6. LGBTQI-3 districts 7. Children-3 districts 8. People living with Disabilities-3 districts 9. Traditional Health Practitioners-3 districts 10. Sex Workers-2 districts 11. Senior Citizens-2 districts | |
| COMMUNITY BASED ORGANISATIONS PARTICIPATION | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> About 50 community-based organisations participated in the main WAD event across the Province. | |

| MEDIA PARTICIPATION |
|---|
| <p>Participation of media was noted in 3 districts.</p> <p>Ukhozi FM: eThekwini</p> <p>Gagasi FM: eThekwini</p> <p>Vuma FM: eThekwini</p> <p>Trumedia FM: eThekwini</p> <p>Stanger Weekly Newspaper: iLembe</p> <p>1 KZN TV: King Cetshwayo</p> <p>Nkandla FM: King Cetshwayo</p> <p>Ukhozi FM: King Cetshwayo</p> <p>Icora FM: King Cetshwayo</p> <p>Zululand Observer: King Cetshwayo</p> <p>North Coast Radio: King Cetshwayo</p> <p>DSD Communications: uGu</p> <p>uGu District Communications: uGu</p> <p>Ray Nkonyeni Local Municipality Communications: uGu</p> <p>Maputaland Community Radio Station: uMkhanyakude.</p> |
| CELEBRITIES/ARTISTS PARTICIPATION |
| Dumi Mkokstad-uGu |

| NUMBERS REACHED | |
|------------------------|--|
| 10 672 | Community members participated in WAD Commemoration across the Province. |
| 23 | Support groups visited. |
| 18 185 | Information, education and communication materials distributed. |
| 1 250 | Community members newly tested for HIV. |
| 1 883 | Community members initiated on PrEP |
| 6 982 | Community members screened for TB. |
| 452 | Community members initiated on TB treatment. |

| NUMBERS REACHED (CONTD.) | |
|---------------------------------|---|
| 1 234 650 | Male condoms distributed. |
| 302 | Sex Workers reached with services. |
| 78 | Treatment interrupters and defaulters traced and linked back to care. |
| 5 216 | Community members screened for hypertension. |
| 5 172 | Community members screened for diabetes. |
| 1 270 | Community members screened for mental health. |
| 493 | Children administered Vitamin A. |
| 413 | Children dewormed. |
| 3 879 | Community members served by SASSA. |
| 4 185 | Community members seen by Social Workers. |

| SOME KEY MESSAGES DURING WAD COMMEMORATION |
|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equalise and Integrate • Importance of HIV testing • Universal access to treatment • Treatment Adherence • Support treatment defaulters get back to treatment • Provide support to PLHIV and PLHIV support groups • Address child and teenage pregnancy • Address child and teenage pregnancy • Combat and eliminate social ills affecting youth • Break the silence on GBV • Men Say No to GBV • Men practice health seeking behaviour early diagnosis and early treatment initiation. • Traditional Leadership has an important e role in reducing the spread of HIV |

1. Introduction and Context

World AIDS day (WAD) was first observed on the 1st of December 1988 when Health Ministers from around the world met under the auspices of the World Health Organization and agreed on the concept of WAD. Since then, WAD has been used to create an opportunity to pay special attention to, as well as show solidarity for the global fight against HIV and AIDS. The WAD 2022 marked the 34th year of its commemoration and contributed to:

1. Remembering people who passed on due to AIDS-related illnesses.
2. Raising public awareness about HIV and AIDS, as well as available prevention and treatment options.

As has been with the previous WAD commemorations, South Africa joined the rest of the world in commemorating WAD. South African National AIDS Council (SANAC) coordinated the planning and implementation of the National WAD commemoration and provided guidance to provinces through the respective Provincial Councils on AIDS (PCA). In KwaZulu-Natal, the PCA coordinated the commemoration with the support of the Provincial Council on AIDS Secretariat based at the Office of the Premier and the District AIDS Council Secretariats.

The WAD 2022 took place three years after the outbreak of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. In this period, the Country employed various means in responding to COVID-19 in efforts to curb its devastating effects. It also took place in eight months after floods devastated some parts of the province. As such, KZN's WAD 2022 commemoration took into consideration:

1. Government response to COVID-19, HIV and TB integration.
2. Support provided to People Living with HIV (PLHIV) and sectors that were affected by floods.

2022 was also a milestone year in the Country's HIV, TB and STIs response as it marked the end of the 5-year plan NSP/PIP implementation period that commenced in 2017. The Country and the province took stock of the achievements, progress made, gaps and what needed to be done as the country moved towards the target of eliminating HIV as a public health threat in 2030. Having deferred the development of the new National Strategic Plan (NSP)/Provincial Implementation Plan (PIP) 2023-2028 and replaced it with a Catch-Up plan for 2022/23. The commemoration further provided an opportunity to review implementation and determine the province's performance toward the key targets of the Catch-Up plan.

2. World AIDS Day 2022 Theme

The theme for WAD 2022 in South Africa was **“Equalize and Integrate to End AIDS.”**

Figure 1: World AIDS Day 2022 Logo and Rationale



Human figures in different shades, holding out their hands, touching at the cross section of the AIDS ribbon to demonstrate integration and equalisation.

The tale disintegrates just before the theme words to depict various challenges that still exist in the HIV response, necessitating the need to “equalise and integrate” in order to end AIDS by 2030.

The end of the tale of the ribbon is a solid line on the other side of the theme wording to demonstrate a solidified, equalised, and integrated HIV response.

10/11 districts displayed the theme prominently during the WAD.



Participants in eThekweni WAD with placards on integration of services

3. Objectives & Expected Outcomes

Objectives of the WAD 2022 commemoration were as follows:

1. To strengthen the Undetectable=Untransmittable (U=U) campaign.
2. To raise awareness about HIV and AIDS as ongoing public health crises.
3. To promote screening & testing for HIV, TB and STIs.
4. To promote treatment adherence.
5. To promote prevention against the spread of HIV, TB and STIs.
6. To mitigate against stigma & discrimination.

7. To shine a spotlight on social & structural drivers (e.g. GBVF, Poverty etc)
8. To promote social behavior change, especially towards safer sex.
9. To encourage COVID-19 vaccination and other health services, especially to PLHIV and men.
10. To share information about implementation of 2017-2022 Provincial Implementation Plan.

| EXPECTED OUTCOMES |
|--|
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Increased screening, testing and linkage to care for HIV, TB, STIs and other non-communicable diseases, thereby contributing to prevention of these diseases. 2. Improved adherence to treatment leading to improved treatment outcomes for HIV and AIDS, TB and non-communicable diseases. 3. Attainment of the 95-95-95 targets for HIV and TB. 4. Reduction in stigma and discrimination as well as other human rights violations. 5. Increased life expectancy. 6. Strengthening partnerships among SANAC sectors. 7. Ending HIV as a public health threat by 2030. |

4. Focus and Approach

4.1 Focus

The province's focus was on the following:

1. Reflect with all stakeholders on KZN's journey in the implementation of the PIP 2017-2022.
2. Discuss moving forward the development of the new PIP 2023-2028. (*Eliminating HIV as a Public health threat by 2030 and reaching other global targets such as 95-95-95*)
3. Engage youth on the youth led PIP Stakeholders.
4. Put spotlight on tuberculosis, sexually transmitted infections, human rights, stigma and discrimination, marginalised populations, adolescents and young people etc.

4.2 Approach

The approach consisted of the following components.

1. Putting People living with HIV (PLHIV) at the centre of commemorations.
2. Using mass media and digital media platforms to relay key messages relating to the WAD campaign.
3. Provision of integrated comprehensive health and wellness services
4. Leveraging off existing campaigns and interventions particularly the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-based Violence campaign held in November and December.
5. Use of the Three-Pronged Strategy of: a) Build-up activities leading up to the World AIDS Day; b) Commemorating the main WAD event and c) Post-World AIDS Day activities.
6. Data collection and reporting using a set of WAD data collection tools.

5. Preparations

5.1 National Level Meetings

Preparations for the Country wide WAD 2022 was coordinated and led by SANAC. The SANAC secretariat convened as series of meetings with stakeholders from all around the Country to provide guidance. The KZN Head of PCA Secretariat and other staff members attended these meetings. The meetings provided guidance/updates on the following among others:

1. The concept of WAD 2022 Campaign.
2. National theme.
3. Communication plan.
4. Venue for the National WAD commemoration.
5. Status of preparations for the National commemoration.
6. State of readiness by Provinces.

5.2 Provincial and District Level Meetings

The PCA Secretariat coordinated planning meetings at Province level. Three planning meetings were held with stakeholders between October 2022 and November 2022. The meeting discussed the following:

1. Updates/feedback on National level meetings.
2. The Provincial concept paper on WAD.
3. Presentations on calendar of events by districts.
4. State of readiness by districts.
5. Data collection and reporting.

All districts further held planning meetings at various dates in November 2022.

6. Build-Up Campaigns

6.1 Province Level Build-Up Activities

The main build-up campaigns continued to be the District Behaviour Change Campaigns (BCC) whose overall purpose was to mobilise and have those who had defaulted or had been lost to follow up get brought back to treatment. Other build up activities were as follows:

- 16 Days of Activism for non-violence against women and children campaign.
- Child and teenage pregnancy engagements.
- Oversight visit at iThembalantu in uMlazi.
- Revitalization of PLHIV support groups.
- Adolescent girls and young women Hub of Hope expansion
- Establishment of Ward AIDS Committees.
- Traditional Men's Parliament.

- Districts Youth Sector elections and induction.

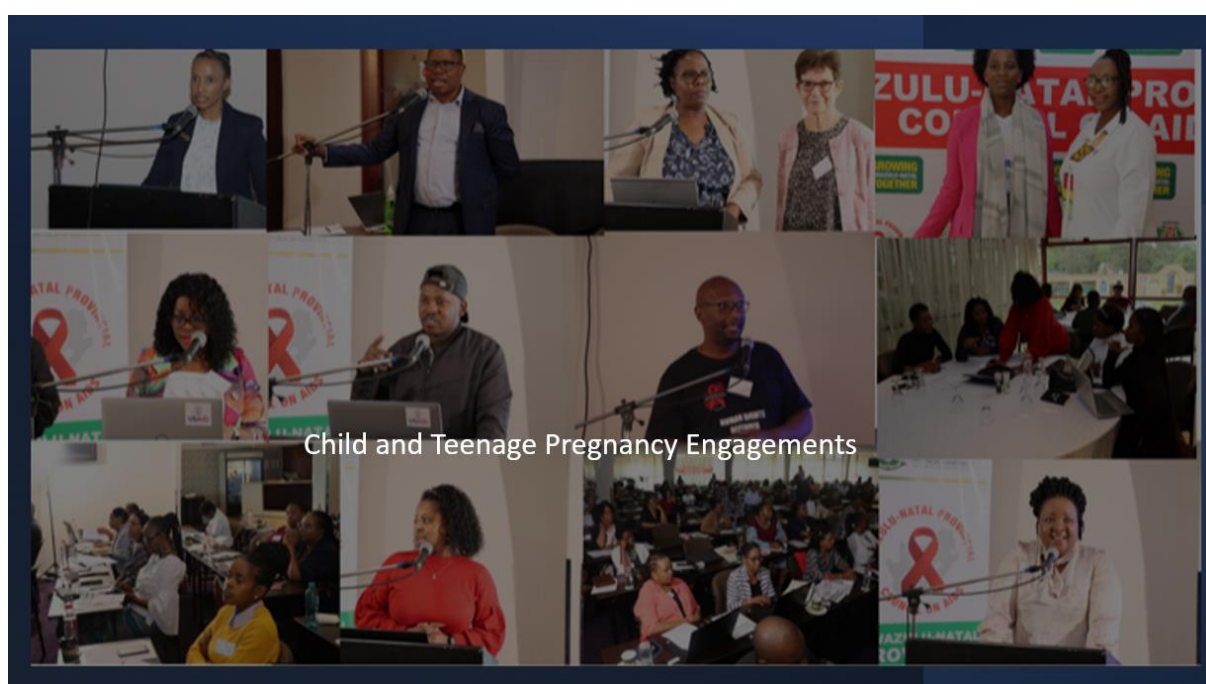
Figure 2: Revitalisation of PLHIV Support Groups across the Province



Figure 3: District HIV, TB and STIs Behaviour Change Campaigns



Figure 4: Engagements to address Child and Teenage Pregnancies



6.2 District Level Build-Up Activities

All districts held build-up events based on respective calendar of events. The activities included the following:

1. Community mobilisation e.g door to door focussing on tracing treatment interruptors/defaulters and those lost to follow up for linkage back to care.
2. Anti-gender based violence and femicide activities e.g conducting dialogues targeting men and young boys, crime indabas and prayer sessions.
3. Operation MBO outreach activities providing communities with one-stop platform for services.
4. Sensitisation activities on key population to address stigma and discrimination as well as access to services.
5. Child protection awareness sessions.
6. Isibaya Samadoda activities.
7. PLHIV Support Group treatment literacy activities.
8. Campaigns to promote healthy lifestyles targeting men and young boys.
9. Social Cohesion and Moral Regeneration activities

6.3 Numbers Reached with Services

Table 1: Selected Data on Services Provided During Build-Up Campaigns.

| INFORMATION, EDUCATION AND COMMUNICATION & SOCIAL MOBLISATION | |
|--|-------|
| Support groups visited | 20 |
| Households visited | 411 |
| People reached through sports, arts and cultural activities | 3 159 |
| Information, Education and Communication material distributed | 9 080 |

Table 1: Selected data on Services Provided During Build-Up Campaigns (contd).

| HIV COUNSELLING AND TESTING | |
|---|-----------|
| People HIV tested | 2 281 |
| People HIV tested – new | 1 044 |
| Newly diagnosed HIV positive people screened for TB | 1 029 |
| People tested positive for HIV linked to care | 1 027 |
| PREP | |
| Clients referred for PrEP | 2 187 |
| Clients initiated on PrEP | 1 760 |
| TB MANAGEMENT | |
| People screened for TB | 6 470 |
| TB asymptomatic clients | 417 |
| TB clients tested positive | 347 |
| TB clients tested TB positive initiated on treatment | 103 |
| MALE MEDICAL CIRCUMSICION | |
| Males referred/booked for Medical Male Circumcision | 3 865 |
| CONDOMS DISTRIBUTION | |
| Condom promotion sessions held | 103 |
| Male condoms distributed | 1 164 000 |
| Female condoms distributed | 13 700 |
| REACHING KEY POPULATIONS | |
| Number of Sex Workers provided with services | 270 |
| MANAGEMENT OF TREATMENT INTERRUPTERS & DEFAULTERS FOR BOTH HIV& TB | |
| Treatment interrupters and defaulters traced | 77 |
| Treatment interrupters and defaulters linked to care | 61 |
| SCREENING FOR OTHER CONDITIONS | |
| People screened for hypertension | 4 515 |
| People screened for diabetes | 4 515 |
| People screened for mental health | 1 100 |
| SOCIAL SERVICES | |
| Estimated number of people served by Social Workers | 3 550 |

7. Main WAD Events

7.1 Dates and Venues

The provincial event was held in Amajuba District on 1 December 2022. All the 11 districts commemorated the main WAD events at varied dates in December 2022 between the 1st and 15th. The table below provides details on dates and venues.

Table 2: WAD Main Event Commemoration Dates and Venues Across the Province.

| DISTRICT | DATE | VENUE |
|----------------|--------|---|
| Amajuba | 01 Dec | Vanjazi Sportsground, Ward 12 Danhauser |
| King Cetshwayo | 01 Dec | Nkandla Indoor Sport Centre, Ward 5 |
| eThekwini | 04 Dec | J.L. Dube Stadium, Ward 54 |
| Zululand | 06 Dec | Old L. A Building, Ward 12 Ulundi |
| uGu | 07 Dec | Bhuqu Sports Ground, Ward 24, Ray Nkonyeni |
| uMkhanyakude | 07 Dec | Ward 18 Nkungwini, Jozini |
| Harry Gwala | 08 Dec | Sonyongwana Community Hall. Ward 8, Dr Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma |
| Zululand | 08 Dec | eNgolotsha, Nongoma |
| uMgungundlovu | 08 Dec | Izindlebe Zembuzi Sports field, uMshwathi. |
| iLembe | 13 Dec | Sithebe Community Hall, Ward 18 Mandeni |
| uThukela | 13 Dec | Woodford Hall, Ward 12, Okhahlamba |
| uMzinyathi | 15 Dec | Council Chambers-Dundee |

7.2 Attendance by OSS Champions

The following dashboard details participation by Operation Sukuma Sakhe (OSS) Champions viz Members of Executive Council (MEC); District Mayors and Heads of Department (HOD).

Table 3: Dashboard showing OSS District Champions Participation in Main WAD Events across the Province

| | MEC | MAYOR | HOD |
|----------------|-----|-------|-----|
| Amajuba | | | |
| eThekwini | | | |
| Harry Gwala | | | |
| iLembe | | | |
| King Cetshwayo | | | |
| uGu | | | |
| uMgungundlovu | | | |
| uMkhanyakude | | | |
| uMzinyathi | | | |
| uThukela | | | |
| Zululand | | | |

| LEGEND | |
|--------|-------------------------|
| | Participated |
| | Did not participate |
| | No information provided |

A total of 8/11 (about 73%) district events were led by respective MEC Champions. District Mayors participated in 6/11 (about 55%) districts and Head of Departments in 4 of the 11 Districts i.e. 40%. uMgungundlovu was the only district where all the 3 Champions participated while only 1 Champion participated in uGu and eThekwini.

7.3 Stakeholder Participation and Support

7.3.1 Government Departments

The Department of Health participated in 10/11 district events and the DSD participated in 7/11 districts. The DOE was present in 6 of the 11 districts while the Department of Home Affairs and SASSA were present in 4 and 3 of the districts respectively. King Cetshwayo, uMgungundlovu and uGu were the only districts where all the 5 departments participated. uMzinyathi and uThukela had only 1 department participating. The table below provides details.

Table 4: Government Departments Participation in Main WAD Event by District

| DEPARTMENTS | | | | | |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|--------------|-------|
| DISTRICT | DOH | DSD | DOE | HOME AFFAIRS | SASSA |
| Amajuba | | | | | |
| eThekwini | | | | | |
| Harry Gwala | | | | | |
| iLembe | | | | | |
| King Cetshwayo | | | | | |
| uGu | | | | | |
| uMgungundlovu | | | | | |
| uMkhanyakude | | | | | |
| uMzinyathi | | | | | |
| uThukela | | | | | |
| Zululand | | | | | |

| LEGEND | |
|--------|-------------------------|
| | Participated |
| | Did not participate |
| | No information provided |

Other departments that participated are as follows:

1. COGTA: 1) Harry Gwala.
2. Sports, Arts and Culture: 1) Harry Gwala
3. Agriculture and Rural Development: 1) eThekwini; 2) Harry Gwala and 3) uGu
4. Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs: 1) King Cetshwayo; 2) uGu and 3) uMgungundlovu
5. Human Settlements: 1) King Cetshwayo and 2) uMgungundlovu
6. Community Safety and Liaison: 1) iLembe and 2) uGu
7. SAPS: 1) Harry Gwala and 2) uMkhanyakude.
8. Justice and Constitutional Development: 1) King Cetshwayo and 2) uGu
9. Independent Electoral Commission: 1) King Cetshwayo and 2) uMkhanyakude.

In total, 13 Government Departments participated in district WAD commemorations in 2022 as compared to 10 in 2021.

7.3.2 Civil Society Sectors, Community Based Organisations and Partners

The table below provides details of Civil Society Sectors that participated in the WAD event.

Table 5: Civil Society Sectors Participation by District

| CIVIL SOCIETY SECTORS | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|-------|--------|-------|-------------|-----|-------|
| DISTRICT | PLHIV | LGBTQI | YOUTH | FAITH BASED | MEN | WOMEN |
| Amajuba | | | | | | |
| eThekwini | | | | | | |
| Harry Gwala | | | | | | |
| iLembe | | | | | | |
| King Cetshwayo | | | | | | |
| uGu | | | | | | |
| uMgungundlovu | | | | | | |
| uMkhanyakude | | | | | | |
| uMzinyathi | | | | | | |
| uThukela | | | | | | |
| Zululand | | | | | | |

| LEGEND | |
|--------|-------------------------|
| | Participated |
| | Did not participate |
| | No information provided |

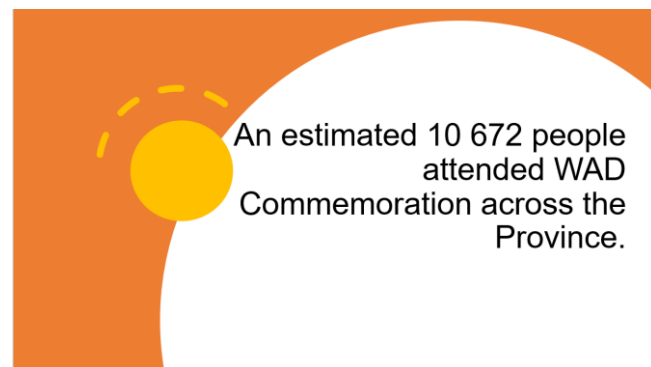
Additional Civil Society Sectors that participated were as follows:

- Children: 1) eThekwini 2) iLembe and 3) King Cetshwayo
- People living with Disabilities: 1) eThekwini 2) iLembe and 3) King Cetshwayo
- Traditional Leaders: 1) Harry Gwala
- Traditional Health Practitioners: 1) eThekwini 2) Harry Gwala and 3) King Cetshwayo
- Sex Workers: 1) eThekwini and 2) uGu
- Senior Citizens: 1) King Cetshwayo and 2) uGu
- Business: 1) uMgungundlovu
- Labour: 1) uMgungundlovu

11 Civil Society sectors participated in district WAD commemorations in 2022 as compared to 6 in 2021.

About 50 community-based organisations participated in the main WAD event across the Province. Partners provided support to and participated in the specific districts they provide support to. These were 1) eThekwini; 2) King Cetshwayo; 3) uGu; 4) uMgungundlovu; 5) uMkhanyakude and 6) uThukela.

7.4 Community Attendance



The table below provides additional details.

Table 6: Estimated Number of People attending Main WAD Event by District

| DISTRICT | ESTIMATED NUMBER |
|----------------|------------------|
| Amajuba | 2 500 |
| eThekwini | 600 |
| Harry Gwala | 1 000 |
| iLembe | 1 000 |
| King Cetshwayo | 400 |
| uGu | 1 200 |
| uMgungundlovu | 2 000 |
| uMkhanyakude | 750 |
| uMzinyathi | 100 |
| uThukela | 750 |
| Zululand | 372 |

7.5 Numbers Reached with Services

The table below shows the estimated number of people reached with services during the WAD main events across the province.

Table 7: Estimated Number of People Reached with Services during Main WAD Event

| INFORMATION, EDUCATION AND COMMUNICATION & SOCIAL MOBILISATION | |
|---|-------|
| Number of information/educations on HIV/AIDS, STIs and TB sessions held | 29 |
| Estimated number of IEC material distributed | 9 735 |
| Number of Community social media engagements held | 16 |
| HIV COUNSELLING AND TESTING | |
| Number of people HIV tested | 328 |
| Number of people HIV tested – new | 109 |
| Number of people HIV tested – positive | 24 |

Table 7: Estimated Number of People reached with Services during the Main WAD Event (contd.)

| PREP | |
|---|--------|
| Number of clients initiated on PrEP | 123 |
| TB MANAGEMENT | |
| Number of people screened for TB | 512 |
| Number of TB clients tested positive | 119 |
| Number of TB clients tested TB positive initiated on treatment | 105 |
| TB TRACING | |
| Number of TB contacts traced | 158 |
| Number of TB contacts screened for TB | 143 |
| Number of TB symptomatic under 5 years referred initiated on TPT | 5 |
| Number of TB contacts initiated on TB treatment | 22 |
| MALE MEDICAL CIRCUMCISION | |
| Number of males referred/booked for Medical Male Circumcision (MMC) | 134 |
| CONDOMS DISTRIBUTION | |
| Number of male condoms distributed | 70 650 |
| Number of female condoms distributed | 4 300 |
| REACHING KEY POPULATIONS | |
| Number of Sex Workers provided with services | 32 |
| MANAGEMENT OF TREATMENT INTERRUPTERS & DEFAULTERS FOR BOTH HIV& TB | |
| Number of treatment interrupters and defaulters traced | 20 |
| Number of treatment interrupters and defaulters linked to care | 17 |
| SCREENING FOR OTHER CONDITIONS | |
| Number of people screened for hypertension | 701 |
| Number of people screened for diabetes | 657 |
| Number of people screened for mental health | 170 |
| CHILD HEALTH | |
| Number of children screened for malnutrition | 198 |
| Number of children administered Vitamin A | 194 |
| Number of children dewormed | 95 |
| MANAGEMENT OF COVID -19 | |
| Number of people screened for COVID 19 | 539 |
| Number of people vaccinated for COVID-19 | 346 |
| SOCIAL SERVICES | |
| Estimated number of people served by SASSA | 329 |
| Estimated number of people served by Social Workers | 635 |
| Estimated number of people served by Home Affairs | 204 |

7.6 Provincial Main WAD Event

The Provincial main WAD event was in Amajuba District at the Vanjazi Sportsground, Ward 12 in the Dannhauser Local Municipality. The event was led by the Premier Nomusa Dube-Ncube. During the WAD, the Dannhauser Thusong Centre CCMDD site visited was visited by the Premier and MECs accompanied by other leaders who reviewed the state of preparedness of the site and engaged with PLHIV. An ECD centre was also visited and stakeholders engaged on the needs of the ECD.

An estimated 2 500 community members attended the Provincial main WAD event in Amajuba district.

KwaZulu- Natal Premier Nomusa Dube-Ncube Delivering the Keynote Address for the Provincial World AIDS Day 2022 Commemoration on 1 December 2022 at Vanjazi Sportsground in Ward 12 Danhauser Local Municipality Amajuba District.



7.7 District Main WAD Events



eThekweni WAD
Main Event
Commemoration
Poster

| ETHEKWINI | |
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| DATE: 4 December 2022 | |
| VENUE: JL Dube Stadium, Inanda Ward 55 | |
| ESTIMATED NUMBERS ATTENDED: 600 | |
| TIME COMMENCE: 08H00 | TIME FINISH: 15H00 |
| THEME DISPLAY: Yes. | |
| LEADERS AND DIGNITARIES PRESENT | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cllr. Zama Sokhabase- eThekweni Municipality (EXCO Member) 2. Cllr. Siyabonga Mfeka- eThekweni Municipality (Ward 55 Councillor) 3. Cllr. Njabulo Ntuli- eThekweni Municipality (Ward 107 Councillor) 4. Mr. Patrick Mdletshe-KZN Province Civil Society Forum (CSF) Chairperson 5. Dr Siyabonga Nzimande-Deputy Chairperson KZN Province CSF. | |
| DEPARTMENTS PRESENT | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Health 2. Social Development 3. Education 4. SASSA 5. Agriculture and Rural Development | |
| CIVIL SOCIETY SECTORS PRESENT | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. PLHIV 2. Youth 3. Faith Based 4. Traditional Health Practitioners 5. Children 6. Women 7. Men 8. Sex Workers 9. LGBTQI 10. People living with Disabilities | |

| ETHEKWINI(CONTD) |
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| COMMUNITY BASED ORGANISATIONS/NGOs/PARTNERS PRESENT |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Heath Systems Trust (HST) 2. Children in Distress Network (CINDI) 3. TBHIV Care 4. Africa Health Foundation 5. Sisonke Sex Workers Movement 6. JHPIEGO (SOKA) |
| MEDIA |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ukhozi FM 2. Gagasi FM 3. Inanda FM 4. Vuma FM 5. Trumedia FM |
| PRE-EVENT ACTIVITIES |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Community dialogues 2. Project visits 3. War room visit 4. Household visits 5. Presentations 6. Media engagements 7. Condom distribution in public places 8. Candle lighting 9. Aerobics. |
| HIV, TB & STIs SERVICES |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. HIV Counselling and Testing 2. TB Screening 3. PrEP 4. Condom distribution 5. Screening for other conditions 6. ART Initiation, 7. TB Treatment Initiation 8. PrEP Initiation |
| SOCIAL SERVICES |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Consultation on and issuing of social grants 2. Distribution of seedlings 3. Distribution of food parcels |
| IEC MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED: 2 500 |
| DISTRICT MEC CHAMPION PROVIDED KEYNOTE ADDRESS |
| No. Provided by Cllr Zama Sokhabase - eThekwini Municipality (EXCO Member) |
| KEYNOTE ADDRESS MESSAGE |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Affirmed that the DAC in eThekwini was doing sterling work. • As the City of eThekwini, they are humbled and take the WAD commemoration as an event that unites the people that are affected and infected with HIV and AIDS. • Promised that as eThekwini they will look at the issues/concerns raised by the PLHIV and promised that they will be attended to. |

| ETHEKWINI(CONTD) | |
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| MESSAGE BY OTHER SPEAKERS | |
| <p>Provincial PLHIV Sector Secretary- Ms Phume Ngcobo</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expressed dissatisfaction with the way the WAD 2022 was organised indicating that as PLHIV they were not consulted on venue change. Change of venue caused disruptions in the pre-arranged community pick up points and strained communication especially with the sectors • Commemoration of WAD is only meaningful when it takes place on the 1 of December. • The Provincial WAD commemorated in Amajuba District did not allow participation of PLHIV in the Programme • The PLHIV Sector viewed the event as a wasteful expenditure • Commended the DOH, DOE and DSD for their participation. • The HIV and AIDS Directorate and District AIDS Council Secretariat was appreciated for involving PLHIV in decision making. • Stigma and discrimination were still prevalent in communities. • The PLHIV sector resolved that “No to central events and Yes to programmes reaching communities at ward level” | |
| <p>Message from eThekwini Civil Society Chairperson- Dr S Nzimande</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He acknowledged the multi-sectoral response on HIV and AIDS, TB and STIs made by the Government and Social Partners to fight HIV. • He recognised all the efforts made by Social Partners together with government on the services that were given even on the day of the commemoration. • He explained that as a Chairperson of eThekwini District he is responsible to ensure that all 18 sectors are established and functional and that is the commitment that CSF sectors will function in eThekwini. • He called to the front all the experts that worked behind scenes to be seen by the Community of eThekwini and applauded them for the good work that they are doing to assist the Community of eThekwini | |
| PLHIV PROVIDED TESTIMONIAL: No | |



Drum Majorettes performed at opening the formal session. They wore red and white as a symbol of love and inclusivity of People Living with HIV thus reducing stigma and discrimination

Youth Sector led the aerobics session



Handing of Certificates and Business Start Up Kits To Adolescent Girls And Young Women Graduates for a Girls Empowerment Programme in eThekweni

30 Adolescent Girls and Young Women received their certificates for achieving mainly cooking and baking skills. Each girl also received starter pack i.e., stove, baking pan, pots and utensils



Revitalisation of PLHIV Support Group

- Buyisithemba Support Group was revitalised through Office of the Premier funding secured equitable grant for support groups revitalisation groups by PLHIV Service Providers in selected districts.
- Ward 54 did not have a Support Group. Through this Programme, a support group was established a ward level. It will also meet in the War Room to promote in the main treatment adherence.
- Office of the Premier also procured materials to be used by the support groups in eThekweni. These consist of Gazebo's, tables, chairs, for both adults and children, crayons, speakers, kids educational materials
- All the items were handed over to the Support Group PLHIV and Civil Society Executive leaders by Councillor Sokhabase, Acting DG and HOD Champion Ms Coetzee



| HARRY GWALA | |
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| DATE: 08 December 2023 | |
| VENUE: Sonyongwana Community Hall, Ward 8 Dr Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma Local Municipality | |
| ESTIMATED NUMBERS ATTENDED: 1000 | |
| TIME COMMENCE: 11H00 | TIME FINISH: 15H00 |
| THEME DISPLAY: Yes. | |
| LEADERS AND DIGNITARIES PRESENT | |
| 1. Mr. Sipho Hlomuka- District MEC OSS Champion 2. Cllr. ZD Nxumalo- District Mayor 3. Cllr. M. Mdunge- District Speaker 4. Cllr. S. Msomi- Dr Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma (NDZ) Local Municipality Mayor 5. Cllr. Mthobisi Dlamini- Ward Councillor 6. Ms Phakama Bidla- District PLHIV Sector Chairperson 7. Rev. S. Sithole- Faith Based Sector EXCO Member 8. Mr. Nosiyezwe Vezi- Municipal Manager Dr. NDZ Local Municipality | |

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| 9. Mrs. P. Dlamini- St. Apollonaris Hospital CEO. |
| HARRY GWALA (CONTD) |
| DEPARTMENTS PRESENT |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Health 2. Social Development 3. Education 4. Agriculture and Rural Development 5. Sports and Recreation 6. SAPS |
| CIVIL SOCIETY SECTORS PRESENT |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. PLHIV 2. Youth 3. Faith Based 4. Traditional Health Practitioners 5. Traditional Leaders 6. Women 7. Men |
| COMMUNITY BASED ORGNISATIONS /NGOs/PARTNERS PRESENT |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. MATCH 2. Vukuzithathe 3. Lifeline 4. Population Services International 5. Woza Moya 6. Sunflower White Door Centre 7. Thandukuphila |
| PRE-EVENT ACTIVITIES |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Community dialogues 2. Project visits 3. CCMDD site visit 4. Presentations 5. Condom distribution in public places 6. Candle lighting 7. Visit to Police station where a detailed report for GBV was presented 8. March against GBVF |
| MEDIA: None. |
| HIV, TB & STIs SERVICES |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. HIV Counselling and Testing 2. TB Screening 3. PrEP 4. Condom distribution 5. Screening for other conditions 6. Pap smear 7. MMC referrals 8. Educational talks on HIV and TB Prevention 9. Distribution of RSD parcels to needy families 10. Distribution of seeds 11. Certification of documents |
| SOCIAL SERVICES |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Consultation on and issuing of social grants 2. Distribution of seedlings 3. Distribution of food parcels 4. Consultation with GBV survivors |

| HARRY GWALA (CONTD) | |
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| IEC MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED: +/-2 500 | |
| DISTRICT MEC CHAMPION PROVIDED KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Yes | |
| KEY NOT ADDRESS MESSAGE | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emphasised that the GBV survivors must break the silence so that the perpetrators should be brought to book regardless of whether they (perpetrators) are a family member. • Encouraged people should test for HIV to know their status to enable early treatment initiation • Provided motivation for PLHIV to always seek psychosocial support taking into consideration their experiences and long journey. • Encouraged Men to utilize Health facilities for early diagnosis and early treatment initiation • Emphasised protection (condom use) when engaging in sexual activity especially youth during this festive season • Discouraged drunken driving hence it leads to many accidents and deaths especially during festive season | |
| MESSAGES BY OTHER SPEAKERS | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengthened and advised to PLHIV to avoid self-stigma • Encouraged people to test for HIV to know status and initiate early for treatment where required. • Advised pregnant young women to book early and enrol in PMTCT if need be. • Encouraged formation of PLHIV support groups. • Encouraged mothers/parents with HIV + children to disclose status to their children so they are aware of the treatment they are taking. | |
| PLHIV PROVIDE TESTIMONIAL: Yes | |
| SUCCESSSES | |
| <p>Good attendance by Community Good attendance by Government Departments Good attendance by Support Partners; Support from Political Leadership Support by Traditional Leaders; Efficient Government Services</p> | |

March against Gender Based Violence and Femicide led by Harry Gwala District MEC Champion, District Political Principals PLHIV and Faith Based Sector leaders on 8 December 2022



Candle lighting led by Harry Gwala District MEC Champion, District Political Principals PLHIV and Faith Based Sector leaders during the WAD Commemoration held at Sonvongwana Community Hall, Ward 8, Dr Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma on 8 December 2022



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| ILEMBE | |
| DATE: 13 December 2022. | |
| VENUE: Sithebe Community Hall, Ward 18 Mandeni Local Municipality | |
| ESTIMATED NUMBERS ATTENDING: 1000 | |
| TIME COMMENCE: 12H00 | TIME FINISH: 15H00 |
| THEME DISPLAY: Yes. | |
| LEADERS AND DIGNITARIES PRESENT | |
| 1. Ms Peggy Nkonyeni-MEC Champion 2. Mr Thobani Shandu-District Mayor/DAC chairperson 3. Mr Richard Shandu-Civil Society Chairperson 4. Councillor Mdletshe-KwaDukuza Municipality Cllr 5. Inkosi Bhengu-District Chief Chairperson 6. Mr Ngcobo-Civil Society Chairperson –Ndwedwe Local Municipality 7. Mr Nzama-Civil Society Chairperson-Maphumulo Local Municipality | |
| DEPARTMENTS PRESENT | |
| 1. Health 2. Social Development 3. Home Affairs 4. Community Safety and Liaison | |
| CIVIL SOCIETY SECTORS PRESENT | |
| 1. LGBTQI +- 2. PLHIV 3. Women 4. People with Disabilities 5. Faith Based 6. Children 7. Men | |
| COMMUNITY BASED ORGANISATIONS/NGOs/PARTNERS PRESENT | |
| 1. Syakwamukela NPO 2. Treatment Action Campaign | |
| MEDIA: Stanger Weekly Newspaper | |
| PRE-EVENT ACTIVITIES | |
| 1. Community dialogues 2. Presentations 3. Media engagements 4. Condom distribution in public places 5. Candle lighting | |
| HIV, TB & STIs SERVICES | |
| 1. HIV Counselling and Testing 2. TB Screening 3. PrEP 4. Condom distribution 5. Screening for other conditions 6. Voluntary Medical Male Circumcision | |
| SOCIAL SERVICES | |
| 1. IDs and birth certificates 2. Distribution of School stationary | |
| IEC MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED: +/-1 000 | |
| DISTRICT MEC CHAMPION PROVIDED KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Yes | |

| ILEMBE(CONTD.) |
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| PLHIV PROVIDE TESTIMONIAL: Yes |
| SUCCESES |
| Good community attendance-managed to reach 1000 people. |



Ilembe District WAD Commemoration led by District MEC Champion and the District Leaders

| KING CETSHWAYO | |
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| DATE: 01 December 2022 | |
| VENUE: Nkandla Indoor Sport Centre, Ward 5, Nkandla Local Municipality | |
| ESTIMATED NUMBERS ATTENDED: 400 | |
| TIME COMMENCE: 09H00 | TIME FINISH: 15H00 |
| THEME DISPLAY: Yes | |
| LEADERS AND DIGNITARIES PRESENT | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cllr AT Ntuli- District Mayor 2. Cllr SL Dlamini- Deputy Mayor 3. Cllr Bhengu-uMfolozi Local Mayor 4. Cllr MB Biyela- Nkandla Local Mayor 5. Mr DM Mhlongo- District Civil Society Chairperson 6. Bishop BM Buthelezi- Faith Based Sector Leader 7. Pastor SV Zulu- Faith Based Sector Leader 8. Cllr SO Sibiya- Nkandla LM Speaker 9. Cllr TB Ntombela- Nkandla EXCO Member 10. Mrs Khanyo Hlophe-District Health Director 11. Mr Mduduzi Mbatha- District Health Deputy Director 12. Mrs TF Mnguni- KCDM Deputy Municipal Manager | |

| KING CETSHWAYO(CONTD.) | |
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| DEPARTMENTS PRESENT | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Health 2. Social Development 3. Education 4. SASSA 5. Home Affairs 6. Human Settlements 7. Justice and Constitutional Development 8. EDTEA 9. Independent Electoral Commission 10. Office of the Premier: Youth Development Unit 11. Nkandla Traffic Department 12. The City of UMhlatuze, Nkandla, uMfolozi uMlalazi Local Municipalities | |
| CIVIL SOCIETY SECTORS PRESENT | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Faith Based Sector 2. Traditional Health Practitioners 3. Youth 4. PLHIV 5. People living with Disability 6. Children 7. Senior Citizens | |
| COMMUNITY BASED ORGANISATIONS/NGOs/PARTNERS PRESENT | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sizanani Outreach 2. Inhlasiyethemba Community 3. BroadReach 4. EDC 5. WITS RHI 6. JHPIEGO 7. Phumelela Projects 8. Love Life 9. Lifeline Zululand | |
| MEDIA | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 1 KZN TV 2. Nkandla FM 3. Ukhozi FM 4. Icora FM 5. Zululand Observer 6. North Coast Radio | |
| PRE-EVENT ACTIVITIES | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Community dialogues 2. Project visits 3. CCMDD site visit 4. War room visit 5. Household visits 6. Presentations 7. Media engagements 8. Condom distribution in public places 9. Candle lighting 10. GBV Awareness Walk | |

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| 11. Behavioural Change Campaign |
| KING CETSHWAYO(CONTD) |
| HIV, TB & STIs SERVICES |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. HIV Counselling and Testing 2. TB Screening 3. PrEP 4. Condom distribution 5. Screening for other conditions 6. Voluntary Medical Male Circumcision |
| SOCIAL SERVICES |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Consultation on and issuing of social grants 2. Distribution of food parcels |
| IEC MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED: +/-200 |
| DISTRICT MEC CHAMPION PROVIDED KEYNOTE ADDRESS: No. Provided by King Cetshwayo District Mayor Cllr. AT Ntuli |
| KEYNOTE ADDRESS MESSAGE |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The high rate lost to follow up and of defaulters is of greatest concern. This puts a lot of pressure on the DOH Tracing Teams and other fieldworkers in the Health care Sector. • Poor monitoring and support for Children on ARTs. • Giving hope to HIV infected and affected people, promotion of treatment adherence and promotion of a Healthy living lifestyle. • The Department of Health, Ward Committees and Ward AIDs Committees were requested to intensify their visibility in War rooms. DOH was further requested to continue attending the DAC and DDM Meetings. |
| MESSAGE FROM OTHER SPEAKERS |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COVID-19 awareness messages and promotion of COVID-19 vaccination. • Criminality of violence against women and children. • Promotion of One Home One Garden. Promotion of a healthy living lifestyle. People were requested to be the agents of change at ward level. |
| PLHIV PROVIDED TESTIMONIAL: Yes |



World AIDS Day 2022 Commemoration held at Nkandla Indoor Sport Centre, Ward 5

| UGU | |
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| DATE: 13 December 2022 | |
| VENUE: Bhuqu Sports Ground, Ward 24, Ray Nkonyeni Local Municipality | |
| ESTIMATED NUMBERS ATTENDED: 1200 | |
| TIME COMMENCE: 07H30 | TIME FINISH: 16H00 |
| THEME DISPLAY: Yes | |
| LEADERS AND DIGNITARIES PRESENT | |
| 1. N Khoza-MEC: Social Development 2. M Chiliza-MPL 3. Cllr N Caluza-EXCO Member 4. Cllr S Mqadi- RNM Mayor 5. Cllr S Shange-Deputy Mayor 6. Cllr Z Mzindle- RNM Speaker 7. Inkosi Ngcobo-Traditional Leadership 8. Mrs Madikiza-Traditional Leadership 9. S Ngcamu-Bishop 10. L Goniwe- HOD 11. G Shabangu- Director 12. X Diko- Provincial Convenor 13. PM Mhlongo- DDG: Social Development 14. N Khoza- HOM: Social Development | |
| DEPARTMENTS PRESENT | |
| 1. Health 2. Social Development 3. Education 4. Home Affairs 5. SASSA 6. Justice and Constitutional Development 7. Community Safety and Liaison 8. Agriculture and Rural Development 9. Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs | |
| CIVIL SOCIETY SECTORS PRESENT | |
| 1. PLHIV 2. Senior citizens 3. Youth 4. Women 5. Faith Based 6. LGBTI 7. Sex Workers | |
| COMMUNITY BASED ORGNISATIONS /NGOs/PARTNERS PRESENT | |
| 1. Nonz Consulting 2. BroadReach 3. Red Cross 4. Wits RHI 5. Zomnotho NPO 6. PWN 7. FHI360 | |

| UGU (CONTD) |
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| MEDIA |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. DSD Communications 2. uGu District Communications 3. RNM Communications 4. Dumi Mkokstad (Artist) |
| PRE-EVENT ACTIVITIES |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Community dialogues 2. Presentations 3. Media engagements 4. Condom distribution in public places 5. Candle lighting |
| HIV, TB & STIs SERVICES |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. HIV Counselling and Testing 2. TB Screening 3. PrEP 4. Condom distribution 5. Screening for other conditions 6. Pap smear 7. Screening for COVID-19 8. COVID-19 vaccination |
| SOCIAL SERVICES |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Consultation on and issuing of social grants 2. Distribution of seedlings 3. Distribution of food parcels 4. IDs and birth certificates |
| IEC MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED: +/-1200 |
| DISTRICT MEC CHAMPION PROVIDED KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Yes |
| KEYNOTE ADDRESS MESSAGE |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men must say no to GBV • Community should love one another whether infected or not • Ensure to adhere to treatment • Support and assist those who have lost hope and stopped treatment to go treatment. • Stop stigma and discrimination. Universal access to treatment. • Test for HIV to know status and link to care if necessary and live positively. |
| MESSAGE FROM OTHER SPEAKERS |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Say no to GBV and sexual assaults. • Encouraged communities to know their status. • Universal access to treatment. • Continue to take the treatment. • Revival of support groups so that PLHIV will be support buddies and encourage each other to take treatment. |
| PLHIV PROVIDED TESTIMONIAL: Yes |
| SUCCESSIONS |
| <p>Good attendance. Leadership mostly visible.</p> <p>Messages shared with the community.</p> <p>Various services were provided during the event.</p> |



| UMGUNGUNDLOVU | |
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| VENUE: Izindlebe Zembuzi Sports Field, Umshwathi | |
| DATE: 8 December 2022 | |
| ESTIMATED NUMBERS ATTENDING: 2000 | |
| TIME COMMENCE: 09H00 | TIME FINISH: 16H00 |
| THEME DISPLAY: Yes | |
| LEADERS AND DIGNITARIES PRESENT | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. MEC S Duma-District MEC Champion 2. Cllr M Zuma- Mayor, uMgungundlovu District 3. Ndabezitha Gcumisa-iNkosi yeSizwe sakwaSwayimane 4. Cllr G W Zondi- Mayor, uMshwathi Municipality 5. Ms T Ndlovu-PLHIV | |
| DEPARTMENTS PRESENT | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Health. 2. Social Development. 3. Education. 4. Home Affairs. 5. Human Settlements. 6. SASSA. 7. Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs. | |
| CIVIL SOCIETY SECTORS PRESENT | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. PLHIV. 2. Men. 3. Women. 4. Youth. 5. Business. 6. Labour. | |

| UMGUNGUNDLOVU(CONTD) |
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| COMMUNITY BASED ORGANISATIONS /NGOs/PARTNERS PRESENT |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. LifeLine PMB. 2. Health Systems Trust (HST). 3. TBHIV Care. 4. Children in Distress Network (CINDI). 5. Bridging the Gap Foundation of South Africa. 6. AIDS Foundation of South Africa (AFSA). 7. Noah's Ark. |
| MEDIA: Local gospel artist |
| PRE-EVENT ACTIVITIES |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Community dialogues 2. War room visit 3. Household visits 4. Presentations 5. Media engagements 6. Condom distribution in public places 7. Candle lighting |
| HIV, TB & STIs SERVICES |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. HIV Counselling and Testing 2. TB Screening 3. PrEP 4. Condom distribution 5. Screening for other conditions |
| SOCIAL SERVICES |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Consultation on and issuing of social grants 2. Distribution of seedlings 3. Distribution of food parcels 4. IDs and birth certificates 5. Sports & Recreational activities |
| IEC MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED: +/-250 |
| DISTRICT MEC CHAMPION PROVIDED KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Yes |
| KEYNOTE ADDRESS MESSAGE |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prevention is better than cure. • It takes a village to raise a child. • The rate of new HIV infections is increasing; Be wise, protect yourself. |
| MESSAGE FROM OTHER SPEAKERS |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traditional Leadership plays a huge role in reducing the spread of HIV. • Living with HIV is not a death sentence. • Treatment adherence. |
| PLHIV PROVIDED TESTIMONIAL: Yes |
| SUCCESSES |
| <p>Targeted number of people exceeded expectations</p> <p>Business start-up kits provided to beneficiaries. People attending event had access to services</p> <p>March/picketing went well to raise awareness of HIV and GBV+F Messages from Leaders were precise, concise with HIV prevention messages.</p> <p>Substance abuse and the programs packaged also featured on the day.</p> |



| UMKHANYAKUDE | |
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| DATE: 7 December 2022 | |
| VENUE: Ward 18 Nkungwini, Jozini | |
| ESTIMATED NUMBERS ATTENDING: 750 | |
| TIME COMMENCE: 07H00 | TIME FINISH: 14H00 |
| THEME DISPLAY: Yes | |
| LEADERS AND DIGNITARIES PRESENT | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. MEC S Zikalala-MEC Champion 2. Ms H Mavimbela -KZN Legislature 3. Mr Ngcobo- HOD Champion 4. Mr S Nzimande- DDG Priority Programmes Office of the Premier 5. Rev Shabangu- District Chair plan 6. Ms T Khumalo- CEO Mhlosinga 7. INkosi Gumede- Chairperson of Traditional Leadership 8. Mr TJ Motha- DTT Chairperson 9. Ms T Aiyer-DTT Convener 10. Mr N Mthethwa-District EXCO Councillor 11. Mr Mngomezulu- Jozini Municipal Manager 12. District / Jozini Councillors | |
| DEPARTMENTS PRESENT | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Health 2. Social Development 3. Education 4. SAPS 5. Independent Electoral Commission | |
| COMMUNITY BASED ORGANISATIONS /NGOs/PARTNERS PRESENT | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. TB HIV Investigative Network (THINK) 2. Sinqobile Support Group 3. Magugwana Disability Group | |
| MEDIA: Maputaland Community Radio Station | |
| PRE-EVENT ACTIVITIES | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Community dialogues 2. Project visits 3. Household visits 4. Presentations 5. Media engagements 6. Condom distribution in public places 7. Candle lighting | |
| HIV, TB & STIs SERVICES | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. HIV Counselling and Testing 2. TB Screening 3. PrEP 4. Condom distribution 5. Screening for other conditions | |
| SOCIAL SERVICES | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Consultation on and issuing of social grants 2. Distribution of seedlings 3. Distribution of food parcels 4. IDs and birth certificates | |

| UMKHANYAKUDE (CONTD) | |
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| DISTRICT MEC CHAMPION PROVIDED KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Yes | |
| KEYNOTE ADDRESS MESSAGE | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow up all support groups under ward 18, profile and support them. • Encouraged integration of all departments in supporting Civil Society in order to end stigma and have sustainable projects. • Discouraged defaulting treatment. Discouraged Gender Based violence and Femicide. • Discouraged social ills that are affecting youth e.g. teenage pregnancy/ drugs and substance abuse. • Applauded the work done by Isilo samabandla in encouraging girls to abstain and including males through Isibaya Samadoda thus encouraging discipline and discouraging GBV. • Encouraged people to test for HIV. | |
| MESSAGE FROM OTHER SPEAKERS | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applauded the government for enabling people to take ARV for free. • Encouraged people to test and those who have tested positive to take ARV. • Encouraged establishment of support groups. • Discouraged stigma. • Made a plea for support to support groups that are still struggling with sustainability. | |
| MESSAGE FROM OTHER SPEAKERS: Yes | |
| SUCSESSES | |
| <p>Event was a combination of 16 Days of Activism against GBV and was first showcased by marching.</p> <p>Displaying of craft by Sinqobile support group from ward 11 and Magugwana Disability Group at ward 18. The support group comprises of youth.</p> <p>Services rendered by the Departments.</p> | |



8. Post World AIDS Day Campaigns

Post-World AIDS Day activities were conducted by all districts based on the calendar of events until Mid-February 2023. Activities of the post WAD campaign are monitored by the Multi-Sectoral HIV, TB and STIs Technical Working Group. Some of the activities include the following:

1. Operation MBO campaigns
2. Awareness dialogues targeting people with disabilities and farmworkers
3. Social cohesion and moral regeneration outreach
4. Anti-GBV and women empowerment sessions
5. Launching of substance abuse forums.

9. Successes

1. All 11 districts held WAD commemorations.
2. All 11 districts undertook build up activities as well as post WAD activities.
3. More community members participated in WAD commemorations.
4. WAD commemorations across the province continued to be led by District MEC Champions.
5. Participation by Civil Society Sectors and particularly the PLHIV Sector improved.
6. Participation by Government Departments in the planning and provision of services during the WAD commemoration.
7. More community members were reached by services delivered through an integrated approach.

10. Challenges and Remedial Actions

| CHALLENGE | REMEDIAL ACTION |
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| In eThekweni, some community members could not reach the venue as planned. This led to less than 2000 community members attending the event. | Debriefing session involving OTP, eThekweni, state departments, the Sector and Civil Society leadership (including streamlining future protocols to be observed in rolling out OSS/DDM programmes/events within eThekweni Metro) |
| In eThekweni, allegations were made that taxis that were picking up communities to attend WAD were directed to another event convened by the governing party in Exhibition Centre. Some taxis came to the WAD empty, | A balance will have to be struck between government programmes/events and those of a governing party taking place within the same jurisdiction. |

| and they claimed their monies indicating that they are not at fault that people were redirected, and Service Provider paid all of them | |
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| CHALLENGE | REMEDIAL ACTION |
| <p>Challenges raised by Civil Society during the message of support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closing of IThembalabantu Centre • Some Departments have planned HIV and AIDS, TB and STI's programs for but the implementation is slow and demonstrate poor involvement of Civil Society. • World AIDS Day not being commemorated on 01 December as it should and to encourage programmes rather than event. • Lack of involvement of Civil society in decisions making through structures | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OTP to arrange meeting with DOH and leadership of the Sector to further discuss iThembalethu matter. • HIV and AIDS Directorate normally has quarterly meetings with Departments, Civil Society and Partners, meeting to be held in Quarter 4 will discuss areas of concern raised by Civil Society • Province-wide debriefing session involving OTP, Civil Society and Sector leadership on 2022 WAD Programme for onward submission to a Social Cluster, Cabinet and PCA. |
| Participation by Heads of Department in their capacity as Champions remains poor | Intensify liaising with Heads of Ministry to ensure HOD participation. |
| Some key departments e.g. SASSA not participating across all districts. | Include/engage SASSA representation in all WAD planning meetings. |

11. Recommendations

1. WAD should be commemorated across in all districts on 01 December, joining the rest of the Country and the World.
2. The concept of MEC District Champions leading WAD commemorations in their respective districts should be retained.
3. Participation in the planning of WAD by MEC Head of Ministry Offices should be more visible.
4. The District leadership led by the Mayor in their Capacity as Chairpersons of the District AIDS Councils should intensify their support in the planning of WAD in their respective districts.
5. The provision of integrated services should adopt the Operation MBO approach and ensure that Government departments providing services expands across the districts beyond the DOH and DSD.
6. The PLHIV Sector and other Civil Society should mobilise their membership to fully and actively participate in the planning of WAD commemorations.

12. Conclusion

Overall, KZN had successful WAD commemorations where all the 11 districts held WAD Commemorations as compared to 9 in 2021. Premier Nomusa Dube-Ncube led the Province's World AIDS Day (WAD) commemoration held in Amajuba District on 1 December 2022.

8 District WAD commemorations were led by respective MEC Champions as compared to 6 in 2021. Participation by both Government departments and Civil Society sectors also improved with 13 Government departments and 11 Civil Society Sectors forming part of the commemorations.

A total of 10 672 community members participated in the 2022 WAD, which was a threefold increase to the numbers that participated in 2021. This may be attributed to the mobilisation and that this was the first WAD commemoration taking place without any COVID-19 related restrictions. Community members had the opportunity to access a range of services that included health services and social services. As has been the practice, the province applied the three-pronged strategy of a) build up activities; b) holding the main event and c) post WAD activities.

Annex

Speech by Kwazulu-Natal Premier Nomusa Dube-Ncube During World Aids Day Held in Amajuba District, Vanjazi Sports Ground, Ward 12, on 1 December 2022

Programme Director;
Members of the Executive Council Present;
Leadership of Amajuba District;
Members of the KZN AIDS Council;
Traditional Leaders;
Religious Leaders;
Director-General of KwaZulu-Natal, Dr Nonhlanhla Mkhize;
Heads of Departments
Municipal Managers
Senior Government Officials;
Civil Society Organisations;
Social Partners;
The Community of Amajuba District and all people of KwaZulu-Natal;
Members of the Media;
Distinguished Guests;
Ladies and Gentlemen;

ISINGENISO

Ngithanda ukuqala ngokubonga umphakathi wonke okulo mcimbi obaluleke kangaka ohlelwe nguHulumeni wesifundazwe njengelineye lamasu okulwa nokubhebhetheka kwe-HIV ne-AIDS.

Siyabonga ukuthi nidele konke obekumele nikwenze namuhla, kodwa nakhetha ukuzobambisana nathi ekulweni nale mpi yengculazi ehlasela umhlaba wonke, futhi esihlalise lubhojosi kulesi sifundazwe sethu.

Mphakathi waseMajuba namaphethelo, njengesifundazwe iKwaZulu-Natal, sikhetha ukuzobungaza siqwashisane nani ngosuku lokuqwashisa ngeNgculazi nesandulela kule ndawo yaseDannhauser.

Inhloso enkulu ngeyokuthi sicobelane ngolwazi, sikhuthazane ukubhekana nale nselelo ngoba akukho okuwumnikelo owenziwayo noma owahlobo luni esiwuthatha kancane.

Sizokhumbula ukuthi ukuze umlilo uvuthe kakhulu, udinga ukukhwezelwa ngezinkuni.

Namuhla silapha ukuzokhwezela ivangeli lokulwa nokuqeda naye iNgculazi ngonyaka u-2030. Lokho kuyokwenzeka uma sisebenza ngokubambisana nangokulingana kanye nokuhloniphana.

ISIQUBULO SOSUKU LWENGICULAZI EMHLABENI

Isiqubulo soSuku lweNgculazi eMhlabeni sango-2022 esiqanjwe yi-South African National Aids Council (SANAC) sithi Masisebenze Ngokulinganayo Nangokubambisana Ukuze Siqede Isifo Sengculazi Uqobo.

Lesi siqubulo sisuselwa emqulwini obizwa nge-Global AIDS Strategy ka-2021 kuya ku-2026 ohlaba ikhwela *“IokuQeda Ukangalingani ukuze kuNqotshwe iNgculazi”*.

- Lesi siqubulo salo nyaka siqonde ngqo ekudingideni ukungalingani okudala izihibe ezinganda abantu ukuthi bathole ukwelashwa nokunakekelwa okuzolwa nobhubhane lweNgculazi; ikakhulukazi kulabo abathandana nabobulili obufana nobabo, abadayisa ngomzimba kanye nabanye abaningi.
- Ukudingidwa kodaba lokungalingani kubandakanya ukubhekana nezinselelo ezisemphakathini ezivimba abantu ukuthi bathokozele amalungelo abantu avikelwe nguMthethosisekelo wezwe – esingabala kuyo ububha, ukungatholi amathuba alinganayo ezemfundo nokunye okuningi.

MASISEBENZISE ISIQUBULO NGENDLELA EFANELE

Mphakathi waseMajuba namaphethelo,

Singenza kangcono uma singasisebenzisa ngendlela efanele isiqubulo soSuku Lwengculazi eMhlabeni sango-2022 uma singenza lokhu okulandelayo:

- Masisebenze ngokulingana ukuqeda ukubandlululwa nokukhishwa inyumbazana kwalabo abahaqekile;
- Silinganise amathuba okuthola usizo lwezempilo emiphakathini esihlala kuyo;
- Silinganise amathuba okuthi sivuke sizithathe emiphumeleni emibi edalwe yi-COVID-19;
- Sibambisane ukuhlanganisa izidingo zezempilo ukuze siphucule ukutholakala kwazo, ukwelashwa kanye nokunakekelwa okutholakala kuzona;
- Kumele sisebenze ngokubambisana ukuhlanganisa imizamo yokuphucula ukudidiyelwa kwezidingo zezempilo ukuze kuhlomule wonke umuntu.
- Okubaluleke kakhulu wukuthi kumele senze okusemandleni ukubuyisa amakhasimende ethu ase kubalekele ukuthola usizo ezikhungweni zezempilo;

NGOKUBAMBISANA SIZOYINQOBA INGCULAZI

Namhlanje umhlaba wonke uhlangene ukuzosho ngazwi linye ukuthi ingculazi nesandulela sayo sizoyinqoba sakhe isizukulwane esiphilile. Lolu suku luyisikhumbuzo esibalulekile kithina sonke sokuba sibhekane namaqiniso mayelana neNgculazi nesandulela sayo.

Sihlangene futhi ngenhloso yokubuyekeza indima esesiyihambile ukubhekana nalolu bhubhane lwesifo. Siphinde futhi sihlabe ikhwela lokuvuselelana nomphakathi wonke ukuba uqhubeke nokuzinakekela, sihloniphe indlela esiphila ngayo, singathathi budedengu izimpilo zethu.

Sizogqugquzelana lapha ukuthi siqinise ngamandla umkhankaso wokuziphatha ngobuqotho.

IZINGA LENGCULAZI E-KZN NASEZWENI LONKE

Ucwaningo luveza ukuthi izinga labahaqwe yingculazi kulesi Sifundazwe seliqala ukubuyela phezulu. Ngo-2021, iKwaZulu-Natal ibisazihola phambili ngo-18.3% kunezinye izifundazwe ngesibalo sabahaqwe yiHIV/AIDS.

Ucwaningo luphinde luveze ukuthi abantu abathwele kanzima ngokuhaqwa yi-HIV/AIDS yindlu emnyama, okuyibona ababuye bathande ukuba madolonzima uma kumele baye ezikhungweni zezempilo.

Siyazi ukuthi kule minyaka emibili edlule sike saba nokudideka ngenxa yobhubhane lwe-Covid-19, okuholele ekutheni kube khona ukuphazamiseka ukuthatha imishanguzo kwabanye.

Namuhla sizovuselelana ukuthi kusezandleni zethu ukuba sinqande ukubhebhetheka kwalo mashayabhuqe wesifo.

UHulumeni uzisabalalisile kuzona zonke izikhungo izinhlelo zokuthi silwe nalolu bhubhane. Umhlaba wonke akekho uhulumeni oqhamuke nohlelo oluyihawu lokuvikela isizwe ukwedlula uHulumeni wethu lapha eNingizimu Afrika.

Izinhlelo zethu siholwa wuMnyango weZempilo zibeka phambili ukusheshisa ukutholwa kwemishanguzo, ukulwa nokucwaswa kwabantu abaphila negciwane, ukusondezwa kosizo emiphakathini, ukugqugquzela ukuhlolwa kusenesisikhathi kanye nokuqwashisa umphakathi nokuwugqugquzela ukuba uhlale wazi ngesimo sawo sempilo.

Izithelo zalezinhlelo ziyabonakala ngokuthi kuyehla kancane ukudlula kwabantu emhlabeni ngenxa yalesisifo. , kuyancipha ukusuleleka kwezingane uma zivela emhlabeni. Izivikeli nemishanguzo kuyatholakala eduzane futhi kalula.

SIBONGA UMSEBENZI OMUHLE

Kusemqoka-ke futhi ukuthi emcimbini onjengalona sibonge umsebenzi owenziwa yizinhlangano ezizimele, izinhlaka zomphakathi namavolontiya nje azimele emiphakathini, bonke abasebenza ngokungakhathali befundisa abantu nge-HIV/AIDS.

Umsebenzi wenu omuhle wokukhuthaza abantu ukuba bahlale isimo sabo bese beyamukela imiphumela namhlanje usuyabonakala. Namhlanje sikhuluma ngokuthi isifundazwe saKwaZulu-Natal sesihambe ibanga elide ekwehliseni ukusuleleka negciwane nokusabalalisa ama-ARV kubantu abaphila ne-HIV ne-AIDS.

Sesinabantu asebeephile iminyaka eminingi bephila negciwane le-HIV/AIDS ngoba uma uzinakekela, uthatha imishanguzo uyaphila njengabo bonke abantu.

Noma sesilihambile igxathu elikhulu, nokho kusasikhathaza ukuthi baningi abantu abasasuleleka negciwane, ikakhulukazi intsha engamantombazane.

Uma silapha-ke emiphakathini waseDanawozi eMajuba jikelele, sithi kumele sisukume sizibophezele ngokuvikela abesifazane, amantombazane nezingane.

Abesifazane sithi mababe nesibindi sokutshela owesilisa ngokubaluleka kokusetshenziswa kwejazi lomkhwenyana uma kuyiwa ocansini.

UHulumeni wakhile izinhlaka zokuthi njalo sihlale sikhuluma ngalezi zindaba ezinhlakeni zonke. Yingakho uthola ukuthi ezingeni lesifundazwe kukhona i-Provincial Council on Aids, okuyiyona eyehlisela izinhlelo phansi ezingeni lesiFunda nakomasipala bendawo lapho kune-District AIDS Council ne-Local AIDS Council, bese kuba nama War-rooms abhekele ukuthi zonke izinhlelo ziyafinyelela kubantu ezigcemeni zabo.

Uma sisbenza ngokubambisana sizofinyelela embonweni wethu wokwakha isifundazwe esingenabo abantu abasangenwa i-HIV bese kuthi bonke labo asebethethelekile nabathintekile ngandlela thize, bathole impilo esezingeni elifanele.

UHLELO LOKUSOKWA KWABESILISA

Siyafisa ukugqugquzela kwabesilisa ukuthi lusekhona uhlelo lokusoka futhi ucwaningo luyaveza ukuthi lokhu kuyawehlisa amathuba okuthetheleka ngezifo zocansi, kuhlenganisa ne-HIV, kwabesilisa, hhayi ukuthi kuyawaqeda.

Yithina mphakathi okufanele senze umehluko ezimpilweni zethu ukuze sinqobe lesi sifo.

SiyisiFundazwe iKwaZulu-Natal, siyazibophezela namuhla ukuthi sizosiguqula isithombe esikhona njangamanje sokuthi siyikhaya lalolu bhubhane ngokuba nabantu abaningi abanaleligciwane.

IZIBHEDLELA NEMITHOLAMPILO EZISEMAJUBA

Kulesi Sifunda sinezibhedlela zesifundazwe ezintathu okuyiMadadeni, Newcastle neNiemeyer Memorial). Sinaso isibhedlela esizimele kanye nemitholampilo eyisithupha esebenza ubusuku nemini ukuze abantu bakwazi ukuthola usizo lwezempilo. Kukhona nemitholampilo engu-12 esebenza amahora angu-10 ngosuku. Emajuba sinemitholampilo yesifundazwe engu-19 nemitholampilo emibili engaphansi kukaMasipala. Asigcini lapho, kunemitholampilo engomahamba nendlwana engu-7 esiza izakhamuzi zaseMajuba.

NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL HIV TARGETS

In terms of the National Strategic Plan, we aim to reduce new HIV infections from 270 000 to less than 100 000 per year; reduce TB infections from 450 000 to less than 315 000 per year, as well as to accelerate the province towards meeting the UNAIDS 90-90-90 targets.

KwaZulu-Natal is performing the uppermost despite having the highest burden in the country. We are well on course with our 95-95-95 targets.

IMIYALEZO EBALULEKILE YOSUKU LWENGCU LAZI LWANGO-2022

Singuhulumeni wesifundazwe, kusiphatha kabi ukwanda kwesibalo sabesifazane namantombazane aphakathi kweminyaka engu-15 kuya ku-24 abatheleleka nge-HIV.

Lokhu kutheleleka okungaka kudalwa ngamadoda asekhulile asebenzisa ububha babantu besifazane kanye namantombazane ukuze baye nabo ocansini olungaphephile.

Siyabagxeka labo baba ababizwa ngama-“Blessers” no-“Sugar Daddy” ngoba yibo abadicilela phansi imizamo kahulumeni yokulwa nokubhebhethaka kwe-HIV nengculazi emiphakathini yalesi sifundazwe nasezweni lonke.

Kumele bashaywe ngamahloni labo baba ngokuya ocansini olungaphephile nezingane ezincane bese bezithelela ngezifo zocansi.

Nathi singumphakathi kumele sibakhiphe inyumbazane labo baba abagila le mikhuba emibi kangaka.

Namuhla siletha umyalezo othi:

Hlala uhlomile ngokuzihlola ukuze uthole ukuthi awuthelelekile yini ngeHIV.

Vakashela imitholampilo engasekhaya ukuze ufunde kabanzi ngokuzivikela ezifweni zocansi ezithelelanayo kanye ne-HIV. Sebenzisa ijazi lomkhwenyana ngaso sonke isikhathi.

Uma izinto zingahambi kahle othandweni lwakho, mhlawumbe uhlukeyezwa, phuthuma uthole usizo kungaze konakale kakhulu. Umuntu okuhlukumezayo usuke engakuthandi nhlobo.

Impilo yakho isezandleni zakho, zivikele ezifweni zocansi ezithelelanayo

Uma sifingqa nje sithi Cheka Impilo yakho ngaso sonke isikhathi, Masibambisane ukuze sikwazi ukukhunjulwa njengesizukulwane esayiqeda nya i-HIV/AIDS nengculazi.

Masiqhubeke nokulwa nemfundisoze namampunge nge-HIV/AIDS nesifo sofuba kanye nezinye izifo ezithathelanayo.

Konke kusezandleni zethu. Masisebenze ngokulinganayo nangokubambisana ukuze siqede isifo sengculazi.

Ngokubambisana Sithuthukisa iKwaZulu-Natal!

Siyabonga.

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