

KWAZULU NATAL TB CAUCUS LAUNCH

PROVINCIAL COUNCIL ON AIDS (PCA) MENTION



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GROWING KWAZULU-NATAL TOGETHER





INTRODUCTION

The World Health Organisation (WHO) has recognised the importance of **political commitment to TB response**.

In recognition of the importance of political leadership, the **Global TB Caucus was launched in 2014** at the 45 World Lung Health Conference in Barcelona. The caucus became one of the world's largest parliamentary networks globally.

South Africa launched its TB Caucus in September 2018 and thereafter all Provinces were expected to launch.

The TB caucus is chaired by Speaker of Legislature, and it provides a platform for Members of the Provincial Legislatures (MPLs) to champion the response of TB in their constituencies and drive political action to end the disease.

Tuberculosis despite being curable remains a **top cause of mortality and morbidity** in KwaZulu-Natal and South Africa



OBJECTIVES OF THE TB CAUCUS

- To **raise awareness** of the TB epidemic
- To support efforts to accelerate the **elimination of Tuberculosis by 2030**,
- To find TB **missing cases**
- To develop **new and innovative tools** for TB, including vaccines, and ensure access & affordability of TB treatment.





KZN PROGRESS AND NEXT STEPS

**Debate was
done on
Provincial state
of TB and the
rationale for
establishing the
TB Caucus led
by MEC for
Health to KZN
Legislature
Members**

**Pre TB
Caucus
Launch
activity was
done in
iLembe
District**

**Launch of
KZN TB
Caucus**

**Induction of
TB Caucus
Committee
members**



KZN TB CAUCUS LAUNCH

Proposed venue

Harry Gwala District, Greater Kokstad Local Municipality,
Bhongweni Youth Centre



Proposed Date: 01 September 2023

Expected number of people: 700

THANK YOU

