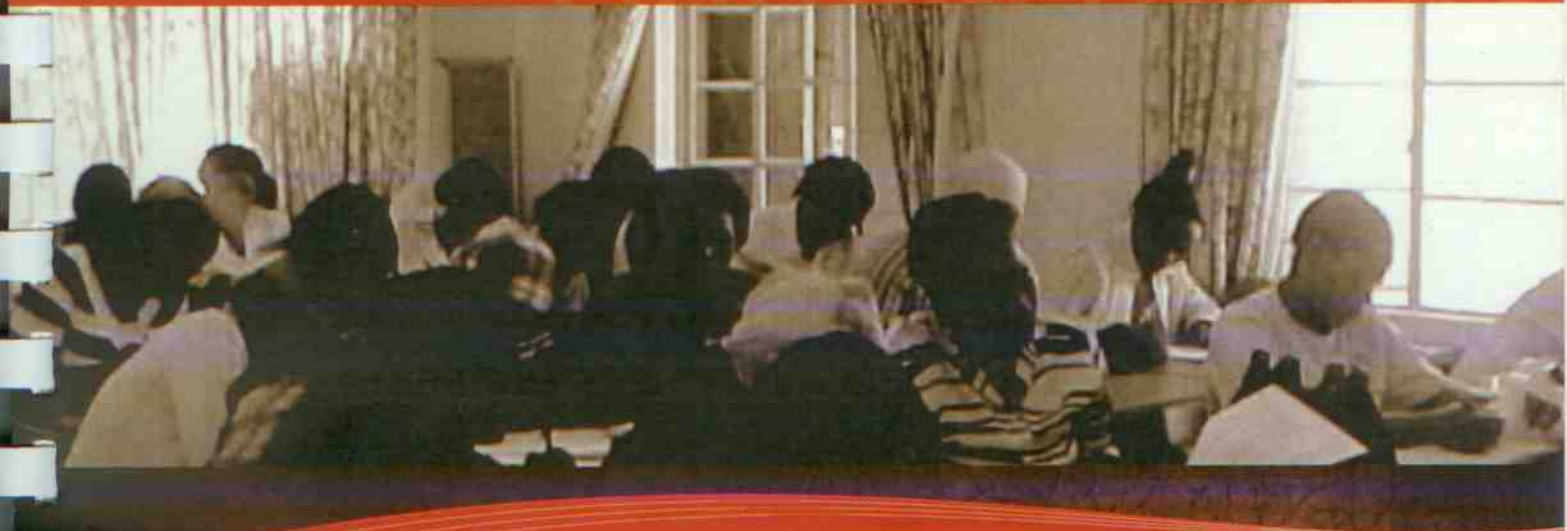




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VISION

To be the inspiring and leading Primary Health Care Service and Training
Provider in Africa.

MISSION

To provide quality comprehensive Primary Health Care services through
advocacy and capacity development that enables communities to engage
in healthy lifestyle activities.

VALUES

Integrity

Professionalism

Dignity

Respect

Compassion

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from the Chairpersons desk



CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT
Mrs Ntsiki Magwaza

It is a great pleasure once again to address you as the Chairperson of KZNPPHC Board of Directors. We meet today on the last day of the Women's month. Lots of celebrations and activities have taken place during this special month in our national calendar. May I take this opportunity to pay tribute to our women who work tirelessly under very difficult conditions moving from house to house raising awareness about health promotion and prevention of disease. We know that a lot still need to be done to improve the lot for women, but let's appreciate what our Government has done thus far, especially in our Province where we have seen a number of women taking leadership positions as Members of the Executive Committee (MEC), including our own MEC for Health Ms Peggy Neliswa Nkonyeni.. We salute them sithi Phambili Nembokodo Phambili!

At this time each year we gather to share with our members, partners, beneficiaries and members of the public, work that we as an organization do in our beloved Province of KwaZulu-Natal. We are meeting today for the first time at Msunduzi Municipal area at Umgungundlovu Ondonga Zibomvu. The Board has taken a conscious decision to rotate our Annual General Meetings to various Clusters of the Department of Health so that we can also meet partners and community members who are never able to join us in Durban in such gatherings. Next year, we will meet in another Cluster in our effort to strengthen partnerships.

The year in review saw the acceleration in the implementation of our important partnership programme with KZN Department of Health (KZNDOH), Home Community Based Carers (HCBC) Programme. More HCBCs were engaged, and training to prepare them for their task of raising health awareness

was intensified. This was further boosted by the support we got from Raith Foundation, of which we are very grateful.

Our contribution to combating the scourge of HIV & AIDS continued to focus on young people in Sisonke District. This led to the Board committing to further extending its support in this area by commissioning a research to explore feasibility of establishing a community centre which could be used by various Government Departments and other service providers to bring services closer to this community. Another study was also done to evaluate the work that we have been doing in Community Residential Units (CRUs) formerly known as Hostels. This study will guide us on how we can extend this project to other CRUs.

from the Chairpersons desk continued...

We also participated in organizing with other Not for Profit Organisations (NPOs) a conference looking at strategies for fighting tuberculosis .

The Board and its subcommittees continued to meet as scheduled. Sub Committees were strengthened by co-opting the following three members:

- Mrs. R Gcaba
- Mrs. J N Makhanya
- Mr. S Govender

We were also joined by Mrs. T Mhlambo as an Executive Director, who we are hoping will positively contribute to the organisation's sustainability due to the experience she brings.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the KZNDOH for the support of the HCBCP, Raith Foundation for support of eThekweni HCBCP and JOHAP for support of Stepmore project. I also wish to recognize contribution made by our partners Mpilonhle, MGM Labour, Isihawu, Lima and Targeted Aids Interventions (TAI).

To HCBCs and Community Health Committees, a big thank you . You are the pillars of the programme, continue to contribute to improving health of our communities. To Board members thank you for your continued support and to Staff, your dedication is greatly appreciated.

Let us all commit ourselves to unselfishly do our bit to contribute to changing lives of our people.

Thank you!

