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LIMPOPO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CELEBRATE THE 2ND ANNIVERSARY OF
RURAL HEALTH MATTERS OUTREACH PROJECT AND WOMEN'S MONTH IN
WATERBERG DISTRICT

Limpopo Health MEC Dr Phophi Ramathuba will lead a team of medical and dental specialists who will be rendering services at our rural hospitals in the Waterberg District from the 13th to 21st August 2022 as they celebrate both the second anniversary of rural health matters and Women's month. The project this time will show case women excellence in the medical fraternity under the theme : "Break the bias of gender equality today for sustainable tomorrow"

The Rural Health Matters outreach program stand to benefit people from the disadvantaged communities. It is through this program where rural hospitals increase local access and allow patients to focus on getting better rather than getting to appointments.

The team includes but not limited to Paediatrics Surgeons, Ophthalmologists, Plastic & Reconstructive Surgeons, Radiologists, Gynecologist, Orthopaedics Surgeons, Urologists, ENT Surgeons, Obstetricians & Gynecologists, Maxillo Facial Surgeons, Anaesthesiologists, Physicians, Hand and Micro Surgery Specialists, and General Surgeons who spend the whole week clearing surgical and medical backlogs, transferring skills and expose specialists to the entire province.

The team of specialists will be stationed in the following hospitals :

- * Voortrekker Hospital
- * George Masebe Hospital
- * Bela Bela Hospital
- * Witpoort Hospital
- * FH Odendaal Hospital
- * Mokopane Hospital
- * MDR Hospital
- * Lephalale Hospital
- * Thabazimbi Hospital

“ This time we are celebrating the 2nd anniversary of the Rural Health Matters outreach program. It's almost two years since we have come up with this great initiative meant for the poor and vulnerable and more than 4000 patients from different specialities have benefited from so far. Our female specialists and other healthcare workers will be in our different health facilities around the province providing services to our people as a way of celebrating women's month. We remain indebted to our female specialists and all those healthcare workers who provide a

huge support structure for their selflessness, dedication and commitment towards serving humanity”, said MEC Ramathuba

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