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GAUTENG PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT TO HOST WORLD AIDS DAY COMMEMORATIVE EVENT IN MERAUFONG

The Gauteng Provincial Government (GPG) will on Friday, 6 December 2024, lead the provincial World AIDS Day commemorative event at Khutsong Sports Complex in Meraufong, West Rand in conjunction with the Gauteng Aids Council.

This year's event, under the theme "***Celebrating 30 Years of Freedom: Equal Rights, Equal Care***", will reflect on the progress made in the fight against HIV/AIDS over the past three decades. The programme aims to honour those affected by the epidemic, promote equal access to healthcare services, and reinforce the commitment to achieving the UNAIDS 95-95-95 targets: ensuring 95% of people living with HIV know their status, 95% of those diagnosed are on antiretroviral treatment (ART), and 95% of those on ART achieve viral suppression.

These targets are crucial milestones in the global effort to end AIDS as a public health threat by 2030, a deadline set by the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to achieve universal health coverage and reduce inequalities in health access.

The event will feature health promotion activities, HIV testing and counseling services, educational programmes, and other health services. These initiatives are designed to raise awareness, encourage prevention, and support those living with HIV/AIDS in the Province.

Members of the media are invited to join and cover the event as follows:

Date: Friday, 6 December 2024

Time: 09:00

Venue: Khutsong Sports Complex, Meraufong, West Rand

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