

MEDIA ADVISORY

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MEC MAMABOLO TO OFFICIATE RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY AT BLOCK TT CLINIC IN SOSHANGUVE

The Gauteng Acting MEC for Health, Jacob Mamabolo will tomorrow, (Tuesday, 01 September 2020) officiate ribbon cutting ceremony for Screening and Testing station for PUIs and handing over of vehicles donated by BMW. The vehicles are consisting of planned patients transport and emergency response which will be utilized even beyond COVID-19.

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, The BMW Group South Africa in partnership with the Gauteng Department of Health and the German Government entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to increase the capacity of the below hospitals and clinics in our fight against the virus:

Soshanguve Block TT Clinic; Dr George Mukhari Academic Hospital; Eight secondary hospitals which includes the Jubilee and Bronkhorstspruit Hospitals as well as; four Primary Health Care Clinics within the Tshwane District.

Since the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding, BMW has delivered the following:

A fully equipped ambulance vehicle - to the Dr George Mukhari Academic Hospital

Three first responder vehicles (X3's) that will service the Ga-Rankuwa, Mabopane and Soshanguve areas.

The BMW Group South Africa and German Government donations to the Gauteng Provincial Government is a critical intervention in the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic, which requires a joint effort by all sectors of society.

Members of the Media are invited to the event as follows:

Date: Tuesday, 01 September 2020

Time: 10h30 am

Venue: Block TT Clinic in Soshanguve, North of Pretoria

Ends/

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