

## Media Statement

### LIMPOPO SET TO HOST HPCSA DIETETICS AND NUTRITION ROADSHOW

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**For immediate release**

**Pretoria** – The Professional Board for Dietetics and Nutrition, under the auspices of the Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA), will be hosting a roadshow for dietitians and nutritionists in Limpopo, Polokwane at the Bolivia Lodge on Friday, 28 July 2023.

This is the second stakeholder engagement to be conducted by the Board this year. The first roadshow took place in March, and it was held in Bloemfontein. The roadshow was attended by practitioners and students based in the Free State and Northern Cape provinces.

Stakeholder engagement is positioned as one of Board's Strategic Goals to improve relations with all its stakeholders by the end of this Board's term 2020/25. The purpose of these roadshows is to have direct consultation with practitioners regarding various developments regarding the professions. Some key topics for discussion will include Professional Practice and Continuous Professional Development (CPD), Registration, Education and Training, Conflict of Interest and the Dietetics and Nutrition Profession, Preliminary Inquiries and Ethics – legislation and HPCSA rules.

“We urge our practitioners and students in Limpopo and surrounding areas to attend this event as it provides an opportunity to participate in meaningful discussions about the professions and Council. Practitioner involvement in such engagements helps ensure that we achieve our collective objectives. Moreover, the roadshows are fully CEU accredited”, said Lenore Spies, Chairperson of the DNB.

For more information on the upcoming roadshow, practitioners can direct their enquiries via email at [DNBBoard@hpcsa.co.za](mailto:DNBBoard@hpcsa.co.za).

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### **About the Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA)**

The Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA), also known as Council, is a statutory body established under the Health Professions Act, 56 of 1974. The HPCSA is committed to protecting the public and guiding the professions. The mission of the HPCSA is quality and equitable healthcare for all.

The HPCSA is mandated to regulate the health professions in the country in aspects of education, training and registration, professional conduct, and ethical behaviour, ensuring Continuing Professional Development (CPD), and fostering compliance with healthcare standards.

To safeguard the public and guide the professions, registration in terms of the Act is a prerequisite for practising any of the health professions registrable with Council.

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