

Media Statement

PROFESSIONAL BOARD FOR DIETETICS AND NUTRITION HOSTS ROADSHOW IN MPUMALANGA

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Pretoria – The Professional Board for Dietetics and Nutrition (DNB), under the ambit of the Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA), is pleased to host a stakeholder engagement roadshow for registered dietitians and nutritionists in Mpumalanga. The event will take place on Friday, 1 November 2024, at the Tfokomala Hotel and Conference in Nelspruit.

This roadshow provides a platform for professionals to gain insights, network, and stay updated on recent developments in dietetics and nutrition, as well as the roles of both the Board and Council in regulating and advancing these fields.

Attendees will engage in expert-led discussions on topics such as Education, Training, and Registration; Professional Practice and Continuing Professional Development; Preliminary Inquiries; Conflict of Interest; and Care and Ethical Practice in Dietetics and Nutrition.

Participants will earn five (5) Continuing Professional Development (CPD) ethics credits, underscoring the Council's commitment to lifelong learning and ethical standards in healthcare.

Ms Lenore Spies, Chairperson of the Board, commented:

“We are excited to bring this roadshow to Mpumalanga, recognising the vital role dietitians and nutritionists play in promoting health. This event offers a chance to connect directly with practitioners, address their concerns, and strengthen the profession.”

Dr Magome Masike, Registrar of the HPCSA, added:

“We have adopted the Ngoku Principles. Ngoku means ‘now,’ and as Council, we are striving to make things happen with urgency and precision. Together with all the professional boards, we aim to inspire

healthcare professionals to embody integrity, quality, and respect in all they do. This roadshow is part of our ongoing commitment to excellence and ethical practice in healthcare.

Our goal is to maintain the quality and standards of healthcare in the country by ensuring that the training provided is of the highest order and that these standards are sustained through continuous training and development.”

The Board encourages all registered dietitians and nutritionists in Mpumalanga to attend and contribute to the future of dietetics and nutrition in South Africa.

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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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