


MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF MANZINI		
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**WELCOME REMARKS BY THE HONOURABLE DEPUTY MAYOR, WESLEY DLAMINI, DURING THE OPENING OF THE DIABETES CLINIC**

**DATE:** 08 NOVEMBER 2024    **VENUE:** WOMEN AND CHILDREN HOSPITAL  
**TIME:** 09:30AM


- **PROGRAMME DIRECTOR**
- **PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF HEALTH**
- **COUNTRY DIRECTORS FOR THE VARIOUS IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS PRESENT**
- **ESTEEMED HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS**
- **DISTINGUISHED GUESTS**
- **MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA**
- **LADIES AND GENTLEMEN**
  
- **GREETINGS TO YOU ALL.**
  
- IT IS A PRIVILEGE TO STAND BEFORE YOU TODAY AS THIS DAY MARKS A SIGNIFICANT MILESTONE FOR MANZINI COMMUNITY JOURNEY TO COMBAT DIABETES, ESPECIALLY AMONG WOMEN AND CHILDREN. AS WE INAUGURATE THIS NEW DIABETES WING, WE ARE NOT JUST OPENING A FACILITY; WE ARE OPENING NEW DOORS TO HOPE, CARE, AND A BETTER QUALITY OF LIFE FOR OUR COMMUNITY.

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- AS A CITY, WE EXTEND A WARM AND HEARTFELT WELCOME TO EACH ONE OF YOU. THIS FACILITY REPRESENTS A SIGNIFICANT STEP FORWARD TO IMPROVING THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF MANZINI COMMUNITY, PARTICULARLY FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN AFFECTED BY DIABETES. THIS NEW WING WILL NOT ONLY OFFER ADVANCED MEDICAL CARE AND TREATMENT BUT ALSO SERVE AS A HUB FOR EDUCATION, RESEARCH, AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT.
  
- AS THE MUNICIPALITY, WE ARE FULLY COMMITTED TO SUPPORTING INITIATIVES THAT ENHANCE THE WELL-BEING OF OUR RESIDENTS. HEALTHCARE SERVICES ARE AT THE HEART OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, AND WE RECOGNIZE THAT THE HEALTH OF OUR PEOPLE IS FUNDAMENTAL TO THE GROWTH AND PROSPERITY OF OUR CITY.
  
- AS THERE IS AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF WOMEN IN CHILDBEARING AGE WHO ARE AT RISK OR LIVING WITH DIABETES, DIABETES IS NOW A GLOBAL HEALTH CHALLENGE. THIS FACILITY WILL PROVIDE PROPER MANAGEMENT AND ADDRESS THE UNIQUE

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NEEDS OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN INCLUDING THOSE WITH GESTATIONAL DIABETES.

- AS THE MUNICIPALITY, WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT CHILDHOOD DIABETES IS A GROWING CONCERN, AND MANAGING DIABETES IN YOUNG PATIENTS REQUIRES BOTH MEDICAL INTERVENTION AND STRONG FAMILY SUPPORT. WE RECOGNIZE THAT THIS WING WILL PROVIDE TAILORED RESOURCES FOR PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS, AS WELL AS SUPPORT PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO EMPOWER CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS WITH THE KNOWLEDGE THEY NEED TO LIVE WELL WITH DIABETES.
  
- TO THE HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS PRESENT TODAY, YOUR TIRELESS DEDICATION AND UNWAVERING COMMITMENT TO CARING OF THE MANZINI RESIDENTS AND BEYOND DO NOT GO UNNOTICED. YOU ARE THE BACKBONE OF OUR HEALTHCARE SYSTEM, AND WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE.
  
- ONCE AGAIN, MAY I, EXTEND MY WARM WELCOME TO ALL OF YOU PRESENT IN THIS GATHERING TODAY.

**I THANK YOU.**

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