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Health Deputy Minister to launch Non-Communicable Diseases Strategic Plan

Pretoria: The Deputy Minister of Health, Dr Sibongiseni Dhlomo will tomorrow (Friday) lead the technical launch of the South African National Strategic Plan for the Prevention and Control of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) for the period 2022-2027.

The launch of this five-year plan is part of coordinated efforts by the government in partnership with Non-governmental and civil society organisations, development partners and others stakeholders to intensify the fight against the NCDs, otherwise known as the diseases of lifestyle such as heart disease, stroke, diabetes, obesity, etc.

The Deputy Minister will be joined by the World Health Organization Country Director Dr Owen Kaluwa, Director General for Health Department Dr Sandile Buthelezi and provincial health managers.

The launch will orientate health programmes managers at national and provincial levels as well as external stakeholders on the strategy including, on the Non-Communicable Diseases Campaign which aims to raise awareness about the risk factors which include tobacco use, physical inactivity, the harmful use of alcohol and unhealthy diets.

According to the WHO, each year more than 15 million people between the ages of 30 and 69 years die globally from the NCDs.

Members of the media are invited to attend the launch as follows:

Date: Friday, 01 July 2022

Time: 8h00 – 13h00

Venue: Protea Hotel, Rhodesfield Kempton Park, Gauteng

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