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MEDIA INVITATION

World Environmental Health Day Webinar

Environmental Health, a key public health intervention in disease pandemic prevention

Time: 09h00 to 10h30

Date: Tuesday 29 September

The World Environmental Head Day (WEHD) is dedicated to the raise awareness about the importance of environmental health, environmental health services, and environmental health risk factors that communities are exposed to. Poor environmental quality has its greatest impact on people whose health status is already at risk. Therefore, environmental health must address the societal and environmental factors that increases the likelihood of exposure and disease.

This day is also dedicated the recognise the hard work and dedication of Environmental Health Professionals and authorities.

The international theme for WEHD 2020 is "Environmental Health, a key public health intervention in disease pandemic prevention". Environmental factors certainly contribute greatly play COVID-19 pandemic. Messages on prevention of coronavirus will be included and communities will be encouraged to screen for COVID-19

You are invited to join a free webinar: World Environmental Health Day 2020. After regigistering, you will receive a confirmation email about the webinar. Here is the link for registration: http://bit.ly/3knNOVSp

The Minister of Health, Dr Zweli Mkhize (MP), will deliver a Keynote Address.

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