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## MEDIA STATEMENT

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### **Statement by the Interim Traditional Health Practitioners Council of South Africa after stakeholder consultation during countrywide Roadshows on the published Traditional Health Practitioners Regulations 2024.**

**Pretoria:** The Interim Traditional Health Practitioners Council of South Africa (ITHPCSA) would like to appreciate the participation by stakeholders in all provinces and the warm reception they received during the Traditional Health practitioners Regulations 2024 Roadshows which took place from 07 to 22 August 2024 with stakeholders representing all Districts in each province.

The roadshows were intended to consult our primary stakeholders which are Traditional Health Practitioners (THPs), and their formations or organizations on the Regulations published for public comment in the Government Gazette No. 50840 of 21 June 2024. The draft Regulations outline the processes in which Traditional Health Practitioners should follow in registering with the Council. They provide details of who qualifies to register with the Council; the categories covered by the Act; registration forms; and the fees to be paid by THPs when registering with the interim Council.

The Council managed to achieve the following during the Roadshows:

- Introduce members of the Council to the Stakeholders
- Explain the process followed in appointing the Council in line with section 7 of the Traditional Health Practitioners Act 2007(Act No. 22 of 2007)
- Explain in detail the content of the Traditional Health Practitioners Regulations 2024 in the language they understand.
- Distribute the translated versions of the draft Regulations, and
- Record inputs and comments as raised by participants
- Encourage participants to cascade the information received and further submit comments before the closing date

Interested persons, especially all our stakeholders within and outside the sector are still invited to submit any substantiated comments or representations on the proposed draft Regulations before the closing date which is 20 September 2024.

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