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Support for the Exceptional Nurse Campaign - TEN Campaign

I am writing to express the support of the national Department of Health for the Exceptional Nurse Campaign - TEN Campaign.

Nurses fulfil an essential role in the healthcare system. They are the first, and in many rural areas the only point of contact for patients. Nurses bring people-centred care closer to communities where it is needed most, thereby helping improve health outcomes and the overall cost effectiveness of health services.

The department understands that the Exceptional Nurse Campaign - TEN Campaign is a group of professional nurses, business men and women, whose vision is to see:

- sufficient health workers being appointed to meet patient/hospital/healthcare demands in our nation
- universities and colleges training world class nursing professionals
- provincial hospitals and clinics raising the standard of nursing in South Africa
- committed, well-educated young people mobilised into the nursing profession
- previously trained nursing professionals re-entering the healthcare system

TEN Campaign hopes to mobilise churches and communities to volunteer in practical ways at the hospital or clinic in their area.

The national Department of Health fully supports this vision and would like to encourage both government and business organisations to do the same. The department would also like to thank those organisations that have already done so.

Wishing you well in all future endeavours.

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