SIYABULELA DELIVERS CERVICAL CANCER SCREENING, FEMALE CONDOM LAUNCH AND WOMEN’S MARCH
August is known as Women’s Month. Premier Rasool congratulated the Department of Health for their bravery by delivering their first Siyabulela deliverable on the first day of women’s month and on their outstanding performance at the launch of the cervical cancer screening campaign. The launch was celebrated at Look Out Hill on Tuesday, 1 August, 2006. This campaign forms part of the Siyabulela deliverables for women’s month.

In addition, the female condom will be launched at a gala event to be held on 9 August at the Arabella Sheraton on 9 August 2006 on National Women’s Day.

A provincial Women’s Day march on 9 August 2006 organized by the Department of the Premier will also take place on the day. The march will start at the Gugulethu Sports Complex at 09h00 and end in Manenberg. More than a thousand people both men and women are expected to participate, many drawn from a range of faith, educational, health, social and political sectors. The event is organized to link up with the Gugulethu community and the Proudly Manenberg campaign.

KARL BREMER 30TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS
On the 30th June 2006, Karl Bremer Hospital was 50 years old. The hospital hosted a celebratory event on its premises on 28 July 2006 for approximately 100 people including Mr Pierre Uys (our MEC), past patrons, community leaders, our MEC, HOD and the media.

STANDING COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICES VISIT TO THE WESTERN CAPE PROVINCE ON 31 JULY – 04 AUGUST 2006
The Select Committee on Social Services undertook an oversight visit to the Western Cape Province from the 31 July 2006 - 4 August 2006. They focused on the accessibility to social grants, visiting social development centers, public health facilities and looked at the quality of care delivered at these facilities. Their visit included Primary Health Care (PHC) facilities and Regional Home Affairs Offices. The main purpose was to acquaint themselves with challenges and successes experienced by the province.

POLICY ON CLOTHING FOR WORK
A draft policy document on the Policy on Clothing for Work was distributed to departments by the Department of the Premier after being adopted by the co-ordinating chamber of the Public Service Co-ordination Bargaining Council (PSCBC). The purpose of the Policy is to standardise the issuing of uniforms and protective clothing as well as the payment of uniform allowances to designated personnel and provide guidelines to Departments in the Provincial Government Western Cape on issues relating to uniforms and protective clothing.

ANNUAL SPORTS DAY
The Provincial Sports Day Committee (PSDC) is organising sports days in the following regions of the Province, South Cape, / Karoo, Boland / Overberg, West Coast / Winelands and the Metro. The Sports Day is intended for all employees in the Province. The Sports days’ schedule is as follows:

- South Cape / Karoo 15 September 2006 Pacaltsdorp Stadium, George
- Boland / Overberg 22 September 2006 Boland Park, Worcester
- West Coast / Winelands 13 October 2006 Dal Josafat Stadium, Paarl
- Metro / Provincial sports day 27 October 2006 University of the Western Cape, Bellville

The primary aim of the Sports Day is to further interdepartmental co-operation, build staff morale through healthy social interaction, let officials of different levels and departments compete together in good sportsmanship and to promote the corporate identity of the Provincial Government of the Western Cape. Each individual who wishes to participate has to sign the entry form even if they are part of a team, as the PGWC has to be indemnified of any injury or damage to property.

Feel free to forward your comments to fsoeker@pgwc.gov.za. Issued by the Department of Health, Directorate: Communications.