

CANSA launches new facilities

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NELSPRUIT - The inauguration of the new CANSA offices was gleefully celebrated on Thursday 22 July. According to Lorraine Kleinhans, provincial manager of CANSA Mpumalanga, this has been a dream come true.

Not only did the Mpumalanga team

celebrate the new offices, but the mobile clinic, the "Kapokkie-trokkie" was also introduced. This mobile clinic will serve the rural areas surrounding Mpumalanga, providing women with screening facilities including pap smears.

Cervical cancer is the highest cancer affecting women in the Mpumalanga region and is the leading cancer faced by South African women. One in 35 will

develop cervical cancer. Although it is preventable and curable, if detected in its early stages, more than 3 400 South African women die every year from the disease and it is the leading cause of cancer deaths for South African women.

The mobile clinic will be able to assist women in rural areas by providing means of prevention and treatment.



The building contractor who helped to realise the dream, Mr Husain Mahomed with Ms Elizabeth Mahomed.



Lions Club president Mr Allan Beech and Lion Mr Koos Schoonraad.



Ms Brenda Archdeacon and Ms Louisa van Wyk



Ms Rene Slabbert and Ms Magda Rall.

Ms Anke Nel, manager of CANSA Highveld with executive board members, Mss Sue Janse van Rensburg, Elize Joubert, Lorraine Kleinhans, provincial manager Mpumalanga and Ms Maria Scholtz manager of CANSA Lowveld.