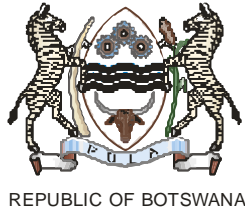


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MAUN OPERATION EIGHT (8) HOURS HIV (OSH) TESTING CAMPAIGN

The National AIDS Coordinating Agency (NACA) in collaboration with Ministry of Health, Maun Administrative Authority, UNAIDS, WHO, SIDA, Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development and other Implementing Partners will be conducting an Eight (8) Hours HIV Testing and Counselling Campaign in Maun. The campaign will be conducted on the 29th November 2014.

The campaign aims to mobilize individuals and their families to know their HIV status and seek HIV prevention and treatment services. The campaign is scheduled to take place in one day (8 hours) in 10 selected sites within Maun village.

The Campaign aims to break the Guinness World Record under the category of "***Most HIV Tests Given in One City in Multiple Venues in One Day***" currently held by Argentina's city of Rosario, where 3, 733 people were tested in one day over eight (8) hours. The campaign is targeting to reach 6, 000 people with HIV testing and counseling services in Maun and will be held under the theme "***Take the test, Take Control***".

The campaign will be conducted at the following venues from 09:00 am to 17:00 pm; Maun Stadium, Letshego Space, Moeti Junction, Boseja Young Stars Ground, Tebelopele VTC, Bus Rank, BP Matlapana, Mumsie Complex and Shashe Bride/ Beach Side and BONEPWA.

The Maun O8H Testing Campaign will be launched on 28th November 2014 at Maun Nandos Grounds and will start at 17:00 pm to 18:00 pm.

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