

## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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### **DEPUTY MINISTER PHAAHLA TO OFFICIATE HANDOVER CEREMONY OF FREE STANDING HANDWASHING STATIONS**

**Pretoria:** The Deputy Health Minister Dr Joe Phaahla will next week (Monday, 31 August 2020) officiate the handover ceremony of 400 free standing handwashing stations and bar soaps donated by the private sector (Dettol and Triple Eight) as part of efforts to promote hygiene in health facilities during Covid-19. The Deputy Minister will be joined by Gauteng Health Department authorities and senior leaders from both Dettol and Triple Eight.

Handwashing is one of the most effective actions to reduce the spread of germs and prevent infections, including the COVID-19 virus. Both frontline healthcare workers and patients can play a critical role in making health facilities the safest places to go by practicing regular and frequent handwashing before and after consultation.

**Members of the media are to attend the handover ceremony as follows:**

**Date:** Monday, 31 Au