

## YOUR HEALTH

### DOWN SYNDROME

#### What is down syndrome?

Down Syndrome is a genetic condition in which an extra chromosome occurs (47 instead of 46), causing certain physical characteristics and delays in the way a child develops.

#### What causes it?

The cause is unknown, but it occurs more frequently in women 35 and older.

#### What does NOT cause it?

It is not caused by anything the mother did or did not do during pregnancy, and it cannot be prevented

#### How can it be detected?

There are screening and diagnostic tests available for pregnant women at risk. It affects 1 in 800 babies born. This increases to 1 in 400 when a woman reaches 35, and 1 in 60 by the age of 42.

#### How can you tell if someone has down syndrome?

Children with Down syndrome have certain physical characteristics like an upward slant to their eyes, small ears, an enlarged tongue and a single crease across the palm.

#### What are other symptoms?

Poor muscle tone and laxity of the joints is common, which improves with time. They tend to be smaller than their peers and grow at a slower rate and experience congenital problems like heart defects.

Developmental milestones are usually achieved later, and their intellectual abilities are usually affected. Most have mild to moderate mental retardation. Down syndrome children are capable of learning and developing skills throughout their lives, they just take longer to reach their goals. They are often very affectionate and benefit from a loving stimulating environment.

#### How to take care of down syndrome children?

A baby with Down syndrome has the same need to be loved and cared for as any other child. Because of the increased risk of congenital abnormalities, regular check-ups will be required.

For support, call the Down Syndrome Association of KZN on 031-464 2055 or e-mail [downskzn@iafrica.com](mailto:downskzn@iafrica.com).

Compiled by the eThekweni Health Department



FOURTEEN years after the advent of democracy in our country, can we say that we have created a society in which people care for each other, feel for each other and value the culture of our communities?

Have we developed our people beyond the skills necessary for being employed?

Are we, as a people, confident, empowered and equipped to make proper decisions that affect our lives, decisions that will help contribute towards our vision of a caring and tolerant society?

If you believe that much work still needs to be done in our city in this regard, then now is the time to get involved.

The *Imagine Durban* initiative is now in the process of developing goals and strategies to address the theme: Human Development, including Caring and Commitment in Durban over the long term.

You are invited to participate in a workshop that is designed to establish goals and key strategies to make Durban a more caring place with people who are committed to the culture of voluntarism.

The workshop has secured

the services of internationally renowned Bliss Browne, founder and president of *Imagine Chicago* who will be the facilitator of this historic workshop.

Since 1992, *Imagine Chicago* has harnessed hope and imagination for public good by designing and facilitating dozens of collaborative partnerships that have successfully crossed well-established divides

of age, race, income, culture and class to transform families and entire communities.

*Imagine Chicago's* work has inspired a global *Imagine* movement of social innovations on six continents.

Details of the *Imagine Durban* workshop are as listed below:

□ Date: 4 June  
□ Time: 9am – 12h30 (Light snacks will be served afterwards)

□ Venue: Hall, Visitors Complex, Durban Botanical Gardens

Those that will attend the workshop are asked to RSVP to Shameshni Govender, of *Imagine Durban*, on: 031 311 3423 or by email to: [GovenderShameshni@imagedurban.gov.za](mailto:GovenderShameshni@imagedurban.gov.za).

For more information, go to the *Imagine Durban* blog [www.imagedurban.org.za](http://www.imagedurban.org.za).

## VACANCIES

### PROJECT MANAGER (SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT) (R216 117.12/R273 958.80 p.a.) Grade 14

Subject to NMC Approval  
Skills Development Unit

#### Qualifications (Essential):

Relevant 3 year tertiary qualification and a valid drivers licence. (Preferred): Training and Development Qualification  
**Experience (Essential):** Extensive relevant experience  
**Duties Include:** Manage and control the delivery and implementation of skills development projects by providing a centralized project management service across all technical disciplines to ensure timeous implementation of projects in accordance with the National Skills Development Strategy and Integrated Development Plan Duties / Tasks.

Applications to The Human Resources Administration, Ground Floor, Shell House, 221 Smith Street, Durban 4001 or PO Box 5892, Durban 4000 or email

[Mthembusindisiwe@durban.gov.za](mailto:Mthembusindisiwe@durban.gov.za) (Tel 311-3173) by Friday, 2008-06-13at 12.00 (Midday).

### MANAGER : STRATEGIC SKILLS DEVELOPMENT R237 630.96/301 213.56 pa Grade 15 - Subject to NMC Approval

Skills Development Unit

#### Qualifications (Essential):

Appropriate Degree / Diploma (Preferred): SDF Certificate  
**Experience (Essential):** 5 years experience in a Skills Development Environment. (Preferred): Several years training management experience at a senior level.  
**Duties Include:** Provision of Training and Development Service.

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### PROJECT EXECUTIVE (R294 155.40/R372 904.80 p.a.) Grade17

Subject to NMC/PJEC Approval

Human Resources Unit

#### Qualifications (Essential):

Appropriate Tertiary /Professional Qualification relevant to the job. Valid code B drivers licence. Computer literate (Ms Word/Excel/Power Point) (Preferred): Appropriate SCM qualification and /Post graduate qualification.  
**Experience (Essential):** Considerable years experience in Supply Chain Management. (Preferred): Relevant Supply Chain Management and/or research experience preferably at Management level.

**Duties Include:** Provide a Professional and Specialist Service, designed to add value and improve the Cluster Units operations and help the Units accomplish their objectives. To provide effective Control, Coordination and Administration Service to the Cluster processes within the Municipality.

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### TECHNOLOGIST: PROJECTS (POLLUTION) R216 117.12/273 958.80 pa Grade 14

eThekweni Water Services  
**Duties Include:** Manage the Projects Division in order to provide technical expertise to the Branch in the establishment of policy standards and norms. Managing and directing technical staff and general administration and financial management. Actively seeking

solutions to technical problems and developing methods of providing an effective and economic trade effluent and water pollution control service and developing new technologies in order to provide new solution with the respect to trade effluent, water pollution and disposal, materials and performance and works process control systems.

**Qualification (Essential):** Proven competency as per legal requirements as prescribed nationally for the relevant rank of Environmental Management Inspector must be acquired within 24 months of assumption of duty or change in legislation effecting such. Professional Engineering Technologist/Certificate Natural/Science. Valid code B drivers licence. Become registered Peace Officer within 18 months of assumption of duty.

(Preferred): None in addition to above.

#### Experience (Essential):

Extensive relevant experience. (Preferred): Competency in Statistical Analysis.  
Applications to The Human Resources Administration Division, eThekweni Water Services, 3 Prior Road, Durban, PO Box 1038, Durban, 4000 or email

[Recruitment@dmws.durban.gov.za](mailto:Recruitment@dmws.durban.gov.za) (Tel 311 8779/8780) by Friday, 2008-06-13at 12.00 (Midday).

### INSURANCE CLAIMS INVESTIGATOR R119 452.68/166 489.32 pa Grade 10

eThekweni Water Services  
**Duties Include:** All claims submitted to the department are investigated, processed and finalised on site investigation is carried out in order to verify insurance claims authenticity as well as to establish legal liability and extent of liability for loss and damages of insurance claims lodged. Supervision of staff in the insurance section is also

required.

#### Qualification (Essential):

Artisan in the plumbing and/or building trades. Practical experience in clerical work related to the above. Good report writing skills, customer service skills and communication skills. Valid code B drivers licence. Ability to communicate effectively in Zulu would be advantageous.

**Experience (Essential):** A number of years related experience preferably in claims administration within the insurance industry, some of which should have been in a supervisory capacity.  
Applications to The Director: Human Resources, eThekweni Water Services, 3 Prior Road, Durban, 4001 or PO Box 1038, Durban 4000 or email

[Recruitment@dmws.durban.gov.za](mailto:Recruitment@dmws.durban.gov.za) (Tel 311 8779/8780) by Friday, 2008-06-13at 12.00 (Midday).

### WATER INSPECTOR R141 027.60/196 557.36 pa Grade 11

eThekweni Water Services  
**Duties Include:** Provides technical back-up in a consulting position. Performs the necessary administrative work required for water connections in terms of the correct sizing of water connections. Investigations for non-compliance with relevant bylaws and SABS Standards. General administration and customer client liaison or services

**Qualification (Essential):** Artisan Plumber in terms of Act 56 of 1986 or Act 58 of 1995. Demonstrable knowledge of relevant bylaws. Valid code B drivers licence. (Preferred): Computer literate.

**Experience (Essential):** Considerable experience in the fields of industrial and domestic plumbing.  
Applications to The Human Resources Division, eThekweni Water Services, 3 Prior Road, Durban, 4001

## STATUTORY NOTICES

### STATUTORY NOTICE 2559

#### PROPOSED DEPROCLAMATION OF PUBLIC PLACE: PADFIELD ROAD, PADFIELD PARK

Notice is hereby given: in terms of section 212 of Ordinance 25 of 1974, that the Municipality intends to permanently close a portion of the public place in extent approximately 3371m<sup>2</sup> depicted on Plan SJ 4485/5 from 2008-07-01; and in terms of the Municipal Finance Management Act No. 56 of 2003 and the Supply Chain Regulations that the Municipality intends to sell a portion of Erf 146 Padfield Park, Registration Division FT in the Durban Entity, Province of KwaZulu Natal by private treaty to Melki Propdev Initiative (Pty) Ltd at a market value of R300 000. Notice of the proposed closure is placarded in the area. The plan depicting the area to be closed will be available for inspection at the office of the Head: Real Estate, 17th Floor, 75 Winder Street, Durban (Ref.: 632B/1008/1/JN). Enquiries: Judith Ngubo on tel. (031) 311 4376 between 07:45 and 16:30, Mondays to Fridays, for a period of 30 days commencing on 2008-05-30. Representations or objection to the proposed deproclamation and sale shall only be considered as valid if: The full names, identity number and physical address and contact details of the author is recorded thereon; The interest of the author is recorded fully; The grounds thereof are set out in detail; and Is lodged with the undersigned not later than 17:00 on 2008-06-30. Should the author fail to comply substantially with the criteria above, the representation and/or objection may be regarded by the eThekweni Municipality as invalid.

Dr M.O. Sutcliffe  
City Manager  
City Hall  
West Street  
Durban

### STATUTORY NOTICE 2558

#### PROPOSED SALE OF LAND BY PRIVATE TREATY: PROSPECTON ROAD, ISIPINGO

It is hereby notified in terms of Section 14 of the Municipal Finance Management Act No. 56 of 2003 and the Supply Chain Regulations that it is the intention of the Municipality to sell, in freehold, by private treaty to Toyota South Africa Motors (Pty) Limited (Registration No. 1961/001767/07) the land described as Erf 2278, in extent 1 5860 Hectares and Erf 2285, in extent 1 4684 Hectares (both of Isipingo Extension 12), Registration Division ET in the South Operational Entity, Province of KwaZulu-Natal, situate at Prospecton Road, at a price of Ten Million Three Hundred and Sixty Nine Thousand Four Hundred and Forty Nine Rands (R10 369 449), inclusive of VAT. Copies of the Conditions of Sale No. 4693 will be available for inspection at the office of the Head: Real Estate, Room 1702, 17th Floor, 75 Winder

Street, Durban (Ref.: 8/22/2). Enquiries should be directed to Rosemary Nkwanyana, Tel: (031) 311 4323, between 07:45 and 16:30, Mondays to Fridays, for a period of 14 days commencing on 2008-05-30. Representation or objection to the proposed sale shall only be considered as valid if:- The full names, identity number and physical address and contact details of the author is recorded thereon; The interest of the author is recorded fully; The grounds thereof are set out in detail; and Is lodged with the undersigned not later than 17:00 on 2008-06-17. Should the author fail to comply substantially with the criteria above, the representation and/or objection may be regarded by the eThekweni Municipality as invalid.

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