

Summary of Health Issues in South Africa

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South Africa's plan to combat HIV and Tb will cease at the end of the year. This is known as the NSP (National Strategic Plan) and will address past failures and seek to find new solutions. A lengthy discussion is noted on what went wrong with the previous plan and the top six priorities for the next NSP to be introduced.

These include adequate, real time monitoring of the healthcare system, treatment to reach all, proper attention paid to TB.

An evidence prevention plan of HIV must be put in place, business and labour elements must be more involved and finally a real reform of SANAC (SA National Aids Council)

RESEARCH: MARCUS LOW: HEALTH e-News Service, 1st AUGUST 2016

South African children are contracting and dying of rheumatic fever (heart disease), this should not be happening and treatment and research is being investigated in this week's National Rheumatic Fever week'

This disease presents with a sore throat and should be easily detected and treated.

RESEARCH: - SIPOKAZI FOKAZI: CAPE ARGUS, 2ND AUGUST 2016

The Minister of Health this week said that mothers were not breastfeeding their babies of long enough due to not encouraging breast feeding at work.

RESEARCH: VUYO MIKIZI: THE STAR, 2ND AUGUST 2016

The remainder of the article in this days publications relate to pharmaceutical issues.