

MEDIA STATEMENT

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JOIN THE CONVERSATION WITH THE MINISTER IN THE PRESIDENCY FOR WOMEN, YOUTH AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES MAITE NKOANA- MASHABANE ON COVID19: A GENDERED PERSPECTIVE

The Minister in the Presidency for Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities Maite Nkoana-Mashabane will today, 15 April 2020, host a Webinar via Zoom to unpack how the global pandemic COVID-19 continues to have a disproportionate effect on vulnerable groups.

The Minister will be joined by the Deputy Minister in the Presidency: Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities Professor Hlengiwe Mkhize, and UNWOMEN Representative Ms Anne Githuku-Shongwe, on behalf of the UN Gender Leadership Team. Panelists will also comprise of: Rev Bafana Khumalo (Sonke Gender Justice); Ms Marlene le Roux (Presidential Working Group on Disability); Dr Vuyo Mahlali (South African Women in Dialogue); Dr Shaheda Omar (Teddy Bear Clinic); and Dr Zubeida Dangor (National Shelter Movement).

The session to be moderated by Ms. Mmabatho Ramagoshi.

Media is invited to participate as follows:

Date: 15 April 2020

Time: 14:00

Location: The Webinar will be conducted via ZOOM. Join using Meeting ID: 913 5962 5526

ENDS

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