



# Hasa Awards of Excellence 2009



Wow, the 2009 Excellence in Healthcare Awards confirmed that no season, as it is usually said, is so beautiful as the warmth of summer. Well, in the healthcare industry almost the whole year is characterised by cold and dark headlines, and the icy landscape of usually acrimonious debates on policy. The end of year Oscars of Health comes like a goddess; in a twinkling the snow of negativity vanishes and the nature of caring and humanity puts on her robes of tenderest green; the healthcare birds of high standards sings in flocks; flowers of excellence spring to life on all sides, and the world-class quality shines as healthcare workers and hospitals are recognised for their wonderful work going beyond the call of duty.

The annual awards, held at the posh Birchwood Hotel, were punctuated with glitzy and glamour. Beginning with the two-day seminar on 24 November 2009 and concluding with the gala night on the 25 November 2009, special guests shared an event that would last a lifetime of beautiful memories. Stunningly clad in classy gowns and formal and traditional attires, everyone was given a chance to shine in the red carpet pictorials resembling a night of the stars.

A nostalgic reflection along the memory lane brought back images of success for Hasa in establishing the Hasa Awards of Excellence, a section of the Excellence in Healthcare Awards through a presentation of high standards as private hospitals vied to receive their certificate of honour from the Minister of Health Pakishe Motsoaledi, Hasa Chairperson Dr Nkaki Matlala, and Hasa CEO Adv Kurt Worrall-Care (pictured above).



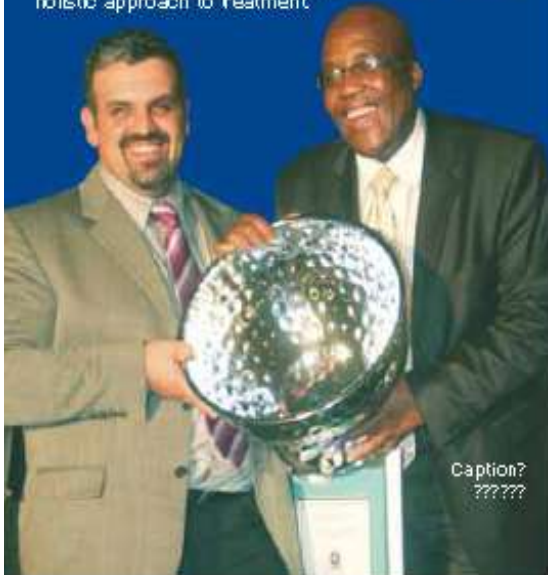
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## The 2009 Winner

The presentation joyfully concluded with the Sunninghill Netcare-Vodacom Cranio Facial Unit scooping the coveted Hasa Awards of Excellence 2009 winner. This project, offered free to disfigured children who will otherwise not afford the medical surgery, is recognised for cutting theatre time and its holistic approach to treatment.



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### List of the finalists per category:

#### Public Private Partnership

- Cure Day Clinics
- Medkin; Netcare Cuyler

#### Establishing World-class Technology

- Netcare Sunninghill Hospital in Sandton
- Anwyp Medical Centre

#### Promoting Equity in Healthcare

- Netcare Park Lane
- Netcare Sunninghill

#### Marketing the Industry

- Netcare Milpark Hospital
- Netcare Unitas Hospital

#### Involvement in the service of the local community

- Milnerton Medi-Clinic
- Netcare St Annes Hospital



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Netcare Cuyler



Cure Day Clinics-Medkin

## THE RUNNERS UP

The two runners up demonstrated in Netcare Cuyler and demonstrated a strong passion in soldering public-private partnerships. Cuyler's Breast Milk Bank is the only one in the Eastern Cape, and so help break the cultural barriers in the area of access to high quality care. About 50% bottles of donated milk went to the public sector.

Cure Day Clinics-Medkin run the largest and most effective dental project for the indigent community. In 2009 they assisted 78 patients taken from public sector waiting lists showing how the private and public sectors can join hand for the benefit of the needy.

## OTHER AWARDS

Seven other awards complete the ministerial Excellence in Healthcare Awards were on offer namely Alfred Nzo Environmental Health Achievement Awards; the Cecilia Makiwane Nurses Recognition Awards; District Health Systems Awards; the HPCSA Award; Group and Team Awards, The Marilyn Lahana Trust Caring Awards; and SA Pharmacy Council Pharmacist and Assistant Pharmacists of the Year.

Guests were treated with a sumptuous dinner while being entertained by Thandi. When the party broke up in the old hours of the day, the finalists went away delighted with their certificates, plates and cups vowing it was all delightful like sunshine dancing on waves.

