



**DEPARTMENT OF
SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT**

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CENTENARIANS HONOURED AND OLDER PERSONS COMPETE IN BEAUTY PAGEANT

The MEC for Social Development Mme. Nkakareng Rakgoale, will tomorrow honour the centenarians of the Province (senior citizens 100 years old and over) during a ceremony that coincides with the annual Older Persons Beauty Pageant.

The Department's agency SASSA will once again play a major role in transporting the centenarians and offering them appropriate gifts.

The beauty pageant will see 10 older persons, who have been crowned the Golden Boys and Girls in their respective districts, compete for the Provincial title of Golden Girl and Golden Boy. In four days time, we will be joining the globe in celebrating the International Day for Older Persons.

The International Day of Older Persons is observed on October 1 each year. On December 14, 1990 the United Nations General Assembly voted to establish October 1 as the International Day of Older Persons as recorded in Resolution 45/106. The holiday was observed for the first time on October 1, 1991.

MEC Nkakareng Rakgoale invites you to come and cover this light story scheduled as follows:

Date: Friday 27th September 2019

Venue: Tiveka Game Lodge, Polokwane Municipality, Capricorn District

Time: 11:00

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