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**National Drug Awareness Week:
19 – 26 June 2009**

SAY “NO” TO DRUGS AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE:

Different people respond differently to the same drug. The more drugs you take the more you will need to feed the habit.

It is not weak people who become drug users but drug users who become weak. Life can be tough but using drugs only makes it tougher.

Look out for symptoms of drug abuse. If you are already using drugs, seek help now before it is too late. If you know of someone who needs help, call one of the SANCA offices.

Say “NO” to drugs!!!

Drugs week highlights problem

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JOHANNESBURG - National Drug Awareness Week will take place from 19-26 June.

The campaign aims to highlight the dangers of substance abuse and educate society about the latest statistics regarding drug and alcohol abuse.

The National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence (Sanca) says drug abuse is a major problem across all societies in South Africa and by creating awareness and educating people about the harmful effects of drugs and alcohol abuse, Sanca Horizon hopes to eradicate this problem.

In line with Sanca Horizon’s national campaign, the Sanca Horizon Alcohol and Drug Centre in Boksburg will use the week to teach people.

“All South Africans need to be involved, from teachers to parents. Drugs affect everyone and we all need to make an effort,” Sanca said in a statement.

Sanca Horizon is appealing to the public to wear a yellow ribbon during the week to symbolise drug and alcohol awareness and show support for combating drug and alcohol abuse.

Sanca Horizon Clinic is the only registered facility in the province that accommodates adolescents and the only one to treat girls.

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