

Tour 1: Hospital and Institutional Pharmacy Sector		
<u>Netcare</u> <u>Blaauwberg</u> <u>Hospital</u>	Netcare Blaauwberg Hospital is a multidisciplinary facility situated off the R27 in Sunningdale. Specialists across a spectrum of medical and surgical disciplines use our cutting edge technology to provide advanced treatment to patients from surrounding areas and the West Coast.	
<u>Groot Schuur</u> <u>Hospital</u>	Perhaps not as sought after accommodation as many of the hotels in Johannesburg, Groote Schuur is very probably one of South Africa's premier hospitals. Located in Observatory, just a few minutes away from the main University of Cape Town campus, Groote Schuur Hospital is locally renowned as the training ground for some of South Africa's best doctors, surgeons and nurses. Internationally, Groote Schuur gained global fame when, in December 1967, a young UCT educated surgeon named Dr Christiaan Barnard completed the world's first successful human heart transplant on Louis Washkansky (who was suffering from heart complications brought about, primarily, by his diabetes).	
<u>Heart of the</u> <u>Cape</u> <u>Museum</u>	The Heart of Cape Town Museum honors all those who played a major role in the surgical feat that pushed the boundaries of science into the dawn of a new medical era. An era in which it became possible to transplant the symbol of the essence of life, the human heart. The drama of the world's first successful human heart transplant, led by Professor Christiaan Neethling Barnard, played out within the walls of the Charles Saint Theatre at Groote Schuur Hospital on the 3rd of December 1967. This museum offers an insightful look into the day the first successful heart transplant took place.	



Tour 2: Community Pharmacy Sector		
<u>Vitacare</u> <u>Rondebosch</u> <u>Pharmacy</u>	At Vitacare, we are dedicated to your well-being and committed to providing you with top- quality healthcare services. Our convenient and friendly pharmacy is here to meet all your prescription and over-the-counter medication needs. Discover the difference of a pharmacy that puts you first. Visit us today and experience pharmaceutical care that goes beyond the ordinary. Our stores are all independent, community pharmacies. They are the people who manage and work in them and each one has a unique spirit and personality.	
Dischem	There are however core ideas driving the development of Vitacare's brand. Dis-Chem goes beyond being just a pharmacy and retail store; we deliver healthcare in various	
Canal Walk	ways, extending our services, products, and initiatives to encompass community clinics, feeding programs, the Dis-Chem Foundation, and health insurance products. With the momentum of initiatives like these driving Dis-Chem forward, we hope to lead a movement in South Africa, becoming the champions of better health for all. This shift in perspective allows us to see the bigger picture and take a more holistic view of health and wellness in today's world. It aligns with the growth of our offerings, which we have developed and implemented over the years. Continuing to prioritize the bigger picture and adopting a holistic view of health and wellness will undoubtedly have a positive impact on our customers and the communities we serve. We are inspired by the opportunity to make a difference in people's lives beyond the traditional	
	role of a pharmacy and retail store.	
<u>Medipost</u> <u>Medical</u> <u>Courier</u>	In 1991 Medipost Pharmacy identified a need amongst its customers to have their medication delivered to them on a regular basis. Market research informed us that the need and opportunity for a national pharmacy extended beyond our existing customer base.	
	Developing this opportunity led towards the establishment of Medipost as the first national pharmacy in South Africa, and this remains our core business today. We offer our nationwide customers their chronic medication and other healthcare products at competitive fees and distribute the medication to them by courier, at no additional cost. Today, Medipost dispenses approximately 730 000 prescriptions per month to satisfied customers.	
	Our service is specialised, reliable, fast, and nationwide. Every prescription and every call matters. The very reason why Medipost Call Centre can handle calls in all 11 languages. Medipost accepts the responsibility to ensure customer satisfaction on a consistent basis. Customer satisfaction means that the correct medicine items are delivered to the correct address on the agreed day.	



Tour 3: Academic Pharmacy Sector		
<u>University of</u> <u>Western</u> <u>Cape –</u> <u>School of</u> <u>Pharmacy</u>	 The University of the Western Cape (UWC) was founded in 1960 and occupies a unique space in the South African higher education landscape. It is a dynamic institution committed to excellence in learning, teaching, research and innovation in a globally competitive environment whilst remaining true to the values and ethos that have shaped its identity as a university rooted in serving the public good. UWC is home to more than 23 000 students who engage in undergraduate and postgraduate programmes in seven faculties, namely: Faculty of Arts and Humanities Faculty of Community Health Sciences Faculty of Dentistry Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences Faculty of Education 	
	 Faculty of Law Faculty of Natural Sciences There are 2400 academic, professional and support staff employed at the university. 	
<u>South</u> <u>African</u> <u>Medical</u> <u>Research</u> <u>Council</u>	The SAMRC was established in 1969 and is dedicated to improving the health of people in South Africa, through research, innovation, development, and technology transfer. The scope of research includes laboratory investigations, clinical research, and public health studies. We conduct research on South Africa's quadruple burden of disease: maternal, newborn and child health, HIV/AIDS and TB, non-communicable diseases, and interpersonal violence. Our work is to acquire evidence-based information to inform health policy and practice and improve the quality and health status of people in South Africa.	
<u>Medicines</u> Information <u>Centre</u>	The drug information pharmacists at MIC have been providing free, accurate, evidence-based advice to healthcare workers since 1980. We are based in the Division of Clinical Pharmacology, department of Medicine, at the University of Cape Town.	



Tour 4: Industry and Manufacturing Pharmacy Sector		
<u>Cipla</u>	Cipla – established in 1935 – is a global pharmaceutical company focused on agile and sustainable growth, complex generics, and deepening portfolio in our home markets of India, South Africa, North America, and key regulated and emerging markets. Cipla South Africa is one of the largest pharmaceutical companies in South Africa by volume and third largest by value.	
<u>Biovac</u>	Biovac is a bio-pharmaceutical company based in Cape Town that is the result of a partnership formed with the South African government in 2003 to establish local vaccine manufacturing capability for the provision of vaccines for national health management and security. Our vision and mission is to be the leading biopharmaceutical company in Africa, committed to protecting life through the development, end-to-end manufacture & global supply of vaccines and other biologicals.	
<u>Cape</u> <u>Medical</u> <u>Depot</u>	Cape Medical Depot, is a Distribution & Wholesale healthcare organisation, in De Waterkant, Cape Town, Western Cape, South Africa. This facility is the major medication supply centre for the various government healthcare facilities in the area.	



Pharmacy	The first apothecary established in what is now South Africa was Joachim Blanck. A
House –	member of the Guild of Apothecaries in Amsterdam, Blanck settled in the Cape in 1653. It
Pharmaceutical	was not until the early 19th century that the function of the pharmacists in South Africa
Society of South	was first defined. This enabled pharmacists (Chemists and Druggists) to organise
<u>Africa</u>	themselves into a professional group distinct from other medical professions.
	On 13 June 1885 a group of 7 pharmacists met in King Williamstown to form the first
	voluntary pharmaceutical society - the South African Pharmaceutical Association (SAPA).
	From here pharmaceutical societies were developed in the various provinces. Each
	provincial professional society was an autonomous individual society.
	The amalgamation of these formed the Pharmaceutical Society of South Africa (PSSA), the
	first unified professional society for pharmacy in South Africa. The Pharmaceutical Society
	of South Africa was inaugurated on 01 January 1946 and "became of powerful instrument
	for the advancement of pharmacy" in South Africa.