



MEDIA RELEASE	PSA concerned regarding safety of members at Carolina Hospital in Mpumalanga
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The Public Servants Association (PSA), representing the majority of employees at Carolina Hospital in Mpumalanga, is extremely concerned regarding the safety of the Union's members. This following a recent incident where a group of armed men stormed the Hospital, demanding that one of their friends who was injured, be attended to after which they robbed staff of their belongings and vandalised medical equipment, furniture, and the Casualty Unit.

It was reported that security officers were in the Hospital, yet they ran for safety instead of protecting the officials and the Hospital. The PSA is not impressed by the fact that its members were subjected to threats of violence whilst the Department of Health does nothing to strengthen security measures at the Hospital.

The PSA demands that the Department prioritises the safety of employees at the Hospital and appeals to law enforcement authorities to ensure that those responsible for these barbaric acts of violence are brought to book.

The PSA has requested a special PHSDSBC Chamber meeting to discuss the security of all hospitals and health facilities.

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