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FOR PSA MEMBERS: SOUTH AFRICAN SOCIAL SECURITY AGENCY (SASSA) -
NORTHERN CAPE

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Update: COVID-19 Northern Cape - SASSA

The PSA welcomes the withdrawal of home and hospital visits to curb the spread of COVID-19 and to protect employees from potentially dangerous situations. The PSA is, however, concerned that the acting Regional Executive Manager in the Northern Cape issued an instruction that all employees on salary level 8 and upward must avail themselves and be posted at pay points such as grocery stores, despite not being issued with personal protective equipment.

Upon inspection, the PSA discovered that SASSA employees were controlling queues at supermarkets, and chicken outlets without being equipped with masks, gloves and sanitisers. The arrangement to work at these outlets was never consulted with the PSA. The PSA demands that the acting Regional Executive Manager of SASSA in the Northern Cape provides employees with PPE to avoid members withdrawing their service from this “arrangement” of working from grocery outlets and Post Offices.

GENERAL MANAGER