

FOR PSA MEMBERS: EASTERN CAPE DEPARTMENTS OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

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What's happening in EC Departments of Health and Social Development?

Update: EC Task Team on filling of vacancies

The PSA attended a task team meeting on the filing of vacancies on 4 October 2022. The meeting could not proceed and a date for the next meeting will be shared with stakeholders.

Progress report: Implementation of Resolution 3/2019

Members were previously informed that the deduction of annual statutory registration fees from the salaries of health professionals would be implemented on 15 October 2022 with 15 November 2022 being the final date for implementation of omissions. The previous report emphasized that the South African Nursing Council (SANC) would not accept extensions beyond 31 December 2022. In the meeting held between the PSA and management it was reported that a total of 20 797 nurses' data was sent to the SANC and out of these, 835 had obvious errors. The type of errors was reported as follows:

- Never registered: These are student nurses doing community service.
- Late payments: Nurses who did not pay on time.
- Never paid: This is because of spelling errors on surnames or change of surnames without informing the SANC of the surname change. Members often alert the employer of the change in surname or marital status without making the changes with the SANC.
- Incorrect reference numbers when making payments.
- Instances where duplicate payments were made by both the employer and the employee. For example, when there is an increase in registration fees there would be a difference of a small amount of R30, which Persal is unable to deduct. The employer is working on resolving this challenge to allow Persal to accept these payments/shortfalls.

The PSA calls on members to verify their registration status with their HR sections as it is possible that some may have been struck off for reasons as mentioned above. The PSA is in possession of a list of affected employees and invites members to contact the PSA Offices in Mthatha on (047) 501 2500 or Gqeberha Office on (041) 501 6800.

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