

FOR PSA MEMBERS: LIMPOPO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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What is happening in Limpopo?

The PSA was made aware of the shortage of staff at Kutama Clinic, which resulted in members working under pressure. There are approximately 11 members working in the Clinic, however, as the Clinic renders 24-hour services and there is a concern about inadequate nursing staff as well as other support staff also in several other institutions such as Nthabalala Clinic and health facilities in the Vhembe District. The PSA engaged the employer and a meeting took place on 10 March 2022 where it was agreed that a task team will be established to investigate how the matter can be addressed.

The task team is expected to submit a detailed report to the District Executive Manager within six weeks after completing visits to affected clinics and health centres. Members will also recall that the employer is not complying with the 24-hour policy for primary healthcare facilities, which allows for clustering of clinics, where possible. The PSA requested the employer to put measures in place by providing temporary additional staff to assist at Kutama Clinic whilst the task team is investigating the shortage of staff and making recommendations to the employer. The PSA is represented by Mr Masindi from Musina Hospital who can be contacted on 072 720 6074 or alternatively, Kate Mamabolo of the PSA Provincial Office can be contacted on 082 880 2937 or email kate.mamabolo@psa.co.za. Shop Stewards are encouraged to report any alleged contravention in the workplace to the PSA Provincial office for further assistance.

Members will be updated on developments.

GENERAL MANAGER