

FOR PSA MEMBERS: **MPUMALANGA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

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Update: Mpumalanga Department of Health

The PSA raised a concern about non-consultation of the employer regarding resolutions taken on the issue of congested wards in Heritage Building, Witbank Hospital. The employer issued a circular, dated 11 August 2022, wherein employees and the PSA were informed that owing to flooding at the Witbank Hospital Heritage wing, the employer and all management took a decision to redirect patients as follows:

- Middelburg Hospital will be admitting orthopedic male and female patients
- Impungwe Hospital will be admitting all level-1 male and female patients
- Witbank TB Specialised Hospital will be admitting level-2 and 3 patients and stable surgical patients

All these patients were supposed to be admitted at Witbank Hospital, but as the Witbank Hospital is congested, the patients will be transferred to the above-mentioned institutions.

Members should note that the employer is aware of the staff shortages in almost all its health facilities in Mpumalanga, and this resolution has the potential of adding an extra workload for members. The PSA consequently requested a proper consultation meeting with the office of the Head of Department.

Members will be updated and employees who want to join PSA can contact the PSA's Provincial Office on Tel (013) 741 7500.

GENERAL MANAGER