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FOR PSA MEMBERS: **GAUTENG DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (JOHANNESBURG METRO DISTRICT – HILLBROW)**

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Non-issuing of personal protective equipment (PPE) for Security Officers by Department of Health (Johannesburg Metro District) for more than eight years

The PSA, which represents more than 240 000 members in the country, is disappointed by the failure by the Department of Health (Johannesburg Metro district - Hillbrow) to issue PPE to Security Officers, which is in violation of the *Occupational Health and Safety Act* and regulations section 2.3(a).

This came to the PSA's knowledge after PSA members employed by the Department of Health under the Johannesburg Metro District – Hillbrow (Chiawelo CHC) reported their concern to the PSA. Members indicated that they last received uniforms more than nine years ago. They had to buy PPE from their own pockets.

The PSA is taking the issue up with the employer through proper channels and will update members on developments. Members who are facing the same challenge of not receiving PPE are welcome to contact the PSA Provincial Office. Employees who want to join the PSA can contact Sibusiso Ndzala, PSA Organising/Marketing Officer on 082 880 8964 (Cell/WhatsApp) or sibusiso.ndzala@psa.co.za.

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