



FOR PSA MEMBERS: **FREE STATE**

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## Power outage: Charlotte Maxeke Rehabilitation Centre – Botshabelo

The PSA wishes to inform members of an extremely concerning situation at Charlotte Maxeke Rehabilitation Centre in Botshabelo, Free State. Since Sunday, 27 July 2025, the facility has been without electricity and the backup generator has not been operational.

This situation has severely impacted on the delivery of essential services, with compromised patient care, and unsafe working conditions for members. As a result, the PSA has formally notified and requested immediate intervention from the following oversight bodies:

- Department of Labour and Employment: To assess occupational health and safety violations.
- South African Human Rights Commission: To investigate human rights implications for patients and employees.
- Public Service Commission: To probe systemic service delivery failures.

The PSA is closely monitoring the situation and will continue applying pressure to ensure that electricity is restored urgently, and that backup systems are fully functional to prevent future disruptions. The PSA is committed to protecting the rights, health, and safety of members and the patients they serve.

For any enquiries or assistance, please contact the PSA Provincial Office in Bloemfontein on (051) 403 1300 / 051 403 1315 / [psa.bloem@psa.co.za](mailto:psa.bloem@psa.co.za).

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