

FOR PSA MEMBERS: GAUTENG DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (GDOH)

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GDoH: Provincial Multilateral

The PSA has made several attempts to hold a bilateral meeting with the Gauteng Department of Health (GDoH) management regarding a concerning construction stoppage at Johan Heyns CHC, Johan Heyns Clinic, and procurement of office space for GDoH Sedibeng District Health Services employees. A meeting was finally granted and held on 18 August 2025.

Johan Heyns CHC building project

Members will recall that there have been serious concerns about occupational health and safety standards at Sedibeng CHC in Vanderbijlpark, Gauteng. After several attempts to resolve this issue with the management, the PSA decided to include the Department of Employment and Labour for intervention. The building was declared unsafe for human occupation and subsequently closed on March 2025. This affected employees of Johan Heyns CHC and those who provide Health District Services. There have been arrangements by District Management to refurbish the building, however, the Heads of Department for the GDoH and the Gauteng Department of Infrastructure Development (GDID) have decided to change Sedibeng CHC into a District Hospital. This delayed the process of construction as the scope is going to change from refurbishment to reconstruction of the whole building. The PSA will receive regular updates from 1 September 2025 on developments.

Construction: Gateway Johan Heyns Clinic

The reconstruction of Johan Heyn Hospital includes the building of a new Gateway Clinic, which is currently being built inside the premises of Johan Heyns CHC Hospital. Delays in the construction of the Gateway Clinic are caused by delays in payments of contractors. The PSA has raised concerns about the lack of transparency and accountability. Management undertook to give feedback on the processing of payments of contractors. The PSA enquired about the timeframe of completion of the building construction. Management responded by stating that building of Gateway Clinic is anticipated to be completed by 31 October 2025.

Accommodation of district services employees

The PSA raised concerns regarding the lack of transparency regarding the accommodation of Sedibeng Health District Services. These employees were previously accommodated at Sedibeng CHC but after its closure they are within the vicinity of Sedibeng CHC. The GDoH management indicated that the Head of

Departments for GDoH and GDID approved a submission to procure a building to accommodate Sedibeng Health District employees. A formal procurement process will be followed. A tender award will be granted for any suitable building in Sedibeng and Vanderbijlpark areas. This process is anticipated to be concluded by 31 October 2025.

Members will be updated on developments.

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