

FOR PSA MEMBERS: MPUMALANGA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (DoH)

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## Update: Skills Development Committee meeting – Mpumalanga DoH

The Mpumalanga Provincial Skills Development Committee meeting was held on 7 July 2025. The following key issues were discussed:

## **R171 Programme**

The Mpumalanga Nursing College reported that, in line with regulatory requirements, it must apply for reaccreditation of the R171 Programme every five years. An assessment visit by the South African Nursing Council (SANC) and Council for Higher Education (CHE) was scheduled for May last year (2024) but did not take place. As a result, the programme received accreditation for only one year. The college anticipates that SANC and CHE will conduct the required assessment later this year to enable the granting of the full five-year accreditation. Notably, there are no human resource capacity challenges affecting the delivery of this programme.

## **Midwifery Programme**

The province had not been offering this programme for several years because the Department did not have the necessary accreditation. However, following sustained pressure on the employer, it was reported that the application for accreditation is now at an advanced stage, with training expected to commence in 2026.

## Postgraduate Diploma (PGD): Primary Care Programme

This programme is currently seeking accreditation. The PSA will continue advocating for its members to receive the necessary skills from the employer. Members will be updated as soon as confirmation of the accreditation is received.

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