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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Tuesday, 25 October 2022, (at 08:00) Chamber, 6 Floor

PRESENT

Members:

Democratic Alliance

Philander, WF (Chairperson) Fry, C Plato, D

African National Congress Windvogel, R

Additional Members

Bans, AP (ANC) Baku-Baku- Vos

Economic Freedom Fighter Xego, M (EFF)

Persons in attendance

Attendance Register available

1. Welcome

The Chairperson welcomed everyone present and allowed for brief introductions.

2. Consideration of the Annual Report of the Department of Health

Before proceeding to the consideration of the report of the Department of Health, Minister Mbombo tabled the Annual Report of the Department of Health for 2021/2022 financial year and gave a brief overview on the Annual Report. Dr Cloete, Health of the Department also gave a brief overview on the Annual Report of the Department of Health for 2021/2022 financial year.

The Committee proceeded to the deliberations on the Annual Report of the Department of Health for the 2021/2022 financial year.

The Department was examined on:

Part A: General Information.

Part B: Departmental Performance Information; and

Part D: Human Resources Management, of the Department's Annual Report.

3. Public input

The Committee proceeded to the public hearing on the Annual Report of the Department of Health. Ms Kiewiets, from Cape Metro Health Forum, Mr Carlson, Mr Sylvester, Ms Mbombo and Ms Daniels made submissions on the Annual Report of the Department of Health. The Department responded to the input made by the members of the public.

4. Information requested

The Committee requested the Department of Health provides it with the following information by Friday, 9 December 2022:

- **4.1** Information on the Wall of Remembrance, what are the plans for the fallen health workers that died during the pandemic.
- **4.2** Detailed information on the number of ambulances allocated per district.
- **4.3** A funding model for District and Regional Hospitals in the province and reasons why it was not feasible for the Khayelitsha District Hospital to be converted to a Regional Hospital.
- **4.4** A list of Clinics that received secured waiting areas, and list of Clinics that are on the waiting list to receive the waiting rooms.
- **4.5** The Department's employee retention strategy to address the high resignations of employees from the Department.
- **4.6** Reasons for the high mortality rate for children under 5 years and strategies in place to mitigate and prevent further deaths.
- **4.7** Detailed information on the plans in place to address the challenges in Khayelitsha District Hospital, specifically, the shortage of bed space, mental health, and shortage of staff.
- **4.8** Detailed information on the Community Base Approach in terms of remuneration and stability in the sector. In addition, the Committee requests the progress made on the negotiations to absorb the Home Base Care Workers into the Department.

5. Conclusion

The Chairperson thanked the Members of the Committee, the Minister, the Head of Department and all the officials of the Department for their preparation and responses to the questions posed by the Committee.

MS WF KAIZER-PHILANDER, MPP CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT DATE: