

Update: Closure of Inanda Newtown Clinic due to members safety

PSA engagement with head of health, community and political leaders

The PSA was approached by members employed at Indana Newtown A Clinic who reported that there were serious safety concerns at work. This was as a result of deaths threats and incidents of robbery at the Clinic whilst security personnel was on duty. The PSA immediately engaged with management and leaders of the Community. The matter was also escalated to the Head of Department, the eThekweni Mayor and the MEC of Health and Community Safety. The MEC and the Mayor visited the Clinic to meet with community leaders to try and find an amicable solution and to ensure that the safety of our members is not compromised. As a results of PSA intervention, the Clinic was closed on 25 August 2021.

On 6 September 2021 the PSA met with the community leaders (three Ward Counsellors, CPF, Metro Police Management, SAPS Representative, Taxi Bosses as well community members who pledged to support and protect the workers. Stakeholders agreed that there will be 4 SAPS and 10 Metro Police patrolling the Clinic daily. CPF has already started a program of intensifying their patrol, taxi owners represented by their Chairman and they have also committed themselves to protect workers. The security company is to add more officers with adequate protection material to deal with perpetrators. As a results ongoing consultation with relevant stakeholders an agreement was reached whereby the Clinic would be opened on 6 September 2021.

Members with inquires or non-members who wish to join the PSA can contact Organiser Marketing Officer/PSA Official Mr. Xolani Dhlamini at xolani.dhlamini@psa.co.za or call 073 813 9646. Alternatively please contact Cynthia Mbali Cynthia.mbali@psa.co.za on 082 8808953 or Nkosephayo Zulu by emailing Nkosephayo.Zulu@psa.co.za or call 082 880 8994 or Sibusiso Ndzala at Sibusiso.ndzala@psa.co.za or call 064 249 5324 for assistance.

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