

FOR PSA MEMBERS: **GAUTENG DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT (DSD)**

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## Feedback: Gauteng Department of Social Development multilateral meeting - July 2024

### Traffic fines

Members will recall that the Gauteng DSD issued a communique suspending all officials with traffic fines from driving government vehicles. The PSA raised an issue of deprivation of service delivery to the public in response to this suspension. The PSA's view was that this communique was issued irrationally. The PSA called for the upliftment of suspension from driving duties. The employer agreed with the PSA regarding the upliftment of driving duties but urged that all those members who have not finalised payments of traffic fines should make arrangements with their HR within six months.

### Launch of Regional and Institutional Multilateral Forum meetings

The DSD made a proposal to have multilateral forum meetings in regional offices and in facilities of the Gauteng DSD. The Department is busy with planning for implementation and monitoring.

### Deregistered Child and Youth Care Workers (CYCW)

Some of the CYCW have been deregistered at the South African Council for Social Services Professions as they do not meet the minimum requirements for continuous registration. The DSD has made a plan for training and capacitating the CYCW. The Department is inviting all deregistered CYCW to a mass meeting at Walter Sisulu Child and Youth Care Centre on 22 July 2024 at 09:00.

### Merger: Luckhoff and Emmersdal Child and Youth Care Centres

Members are aware that the DSD is planning on merging Lockhoff and Emmersdal Child and Youth Care Centres and then convert the two into a drug and alcohol rehabilitation centre. The PSA realised that this process was started without proper consultation with the PSA, whilst the PSA has members at both facilities. There is approval from the Head of Department to merge both facilities and some employees have been moved already from their workplaces because of this approval. The PSA is opposing this merger and there is a request for a special multilateral meeting to deal with this issue urgently.

Members will be updated on developments.

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