

FOR PSA MEMBERS: GAUTENG DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (GDoH)

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PSA's demand to remove all employees from Johan Heyns Community Health Centre adhered to by GDoH

As per the previous *Informus* (20 February 2025) the Johan Heyns Community Health Centre (CHC) in Vanderbijlpark has been facing significant issues, and the building was not safe for human occupation. The Gauteng Department of Health agreed that the building is unsafe and also decided that there is a need for a hospital in the area and not only a CHC. This resulted in the total redo of the building that will be done in phases over a period of three years.

Construction work is about to start but the PSA halted the processes as the employer's plan only includes moving staff out of the building on the level where construction is done whilst staff working on the floor below will still be in the building. PSA shop stewards were informed that the construction on the fifth and sixth floors will begin in mid-February at an OHS meeting on 3 February 2025.

The Gauteng Department of Health now agreed to vacate the Johan Heyns CHC building in total before Monday, 3 March 2025, whereafter construction will start. Staff will be placed in different facilities, *inter alia*, the Nurse Home, Lapa, and some other surrounding clinics. This is another success for the PSA as always having the wellbeing of members at heart. If you have any questions or need further information, feel free to ask!

Employees who want to join the PSA can visit the PSA's website, send an email to <u>ask@psa.co.za</u>, or contact PSA Provincial Offices.

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