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PAYMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS RECEIVING URGENT ATTENTION STATES ACTING HEALTH MEC

The Gauteng Department of Health (GDoH) wishes to apologise to Community Health Workers (CHW) who have been negatively impacted by the delay in the finalisation of their appointment and payment.

Out of 8719 CHWs who were due to be absorbed permanently into the employ of the Department, 8437 have now been appointed. GDoH is currently finalizing the appointment of the remaining 282 workers. The appointment of this category of workers is part of the commitment made by the department to permanently absorb all CHWs as part of the staff cohort to ensure that public health education and promotion is strengthened amongst others things.

“It is important that we profusely apologise for the inconvenience caused. Outstanding admin processes should be completed by the end of this week in order for the remaining appointments to be effected and for the payments to be processed,” explains Acting Health MEC, Jacob Mamabolo.

The MEC has extended his appreciation for the patience exercised by CHWs during this period saying that their matter is receiving urgent attention.

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