

MEDIA STATEMENT

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CONTINGENCY PLANS IN GAUTENG HOSPITALS FOR PLANNED WATER INTERRUPTION

The Gauteng Department of Health (GDoH) remains on high alert following a notice of planned water interruptions due to maintenance by Rand Water from 15-17 November 2021.

Despite no reported water interruptions in health facilities this morning (Monday, 15 November) the department continues to monitor the situation across its facilities.

GDoH together with Joburg Water have put some contingency plans in place to ensure health facilities in the municipal area are not adversely affected by the planned water interruptions that started this morning.

Water tankers and mobile toilets have been deployed by Joburg Water in various health facilities such as Chris Hani Baragwanath Academic Hospital, Bheki Mlangeni District Hospital and Helen Joseph Hospital among others. This is in addition to existing reservoir resources in the various health facilities that fall in the affected areas of the planned water interruption.

Facility managers have also put plans in place to ensure there is minimised use of water in non-essential areas.

For additional information on the planned water interruptions, Rand Water and Joburg Water as the relevant authorities can be directly contacted.

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