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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE GAUTENG MENTAL HEALTH REVIEW BOARD

In terms of Chapter IV of the Mental Health Care Act No.17 of 2002, the MEC for Health, MPL LH Mekgwe, invites nominations for representatives to serve on the Mental Health Review Boards in the Province of Gauteng for a three year term of office.

Review Boards are independent, quasi-judicial bodies that, derive their authority from the abovementioned Act. The functions of the Review Board include: considering appeals against decisions of the head of the health establishment, making decisions with regard to assisted and involuntary care, treatment and rehabilitation services, considering reviews and make decisions on transfer of mental health care users to maximum security facilities; and periodic reports on the mental health status of mentally ill prisoners. The Review Boards must also investigate any allegations of abuse reported and uphold the rights of all users.

Appointment will be on a sessional basis and an allowance is payable for work undertaken in terms of Chapter IV of the Mental Health Care Act No.17 of 2002. Nominations of South African citizens, aged 21 years or older and resident in Gauteng, are invited in three categories of membership (qualifying criteria as indicated):

A. Mental Health Care Practitioner

- Professional qualifications and current registration with the relevant council as a medical practitioner, psychiatrist, psychiatric nurse, clinical or counselling psychologist, occupational therapist or social worker.
- Requisite practical experience working with users with a primary diagnosis of mental disorder or intellectual disability.

B. Legal Practitioner

 Appropriate professional qualification and registration with the relevant authority, admission in terms of the laws of the Republic of South Africa as a magistrate, attorney or advocate.

C. Community member

 Good understanding of the South African mental health and referral systems, Non Governmental Organizations (NGOs), consumer advocacy and community based care.

Nominees are required to:

- Submit a full CV with certified copies of all qualifications, valid registration with the applicable profession and contact details of three referees
- State the category of membership you wish to serve
- Forward their applications to: Attention: Mr A. Mathebula at Gauteng Department of Health, Private Bag X085 Marshalltown, 2000; OR hand deliver to the 13th floor, Room 1305, 37 Sauer Street, Bank of Lisbon Building, Johannesburg.

For further information kindly contact Dr. MJ Manamela: Tel: 011 298 2425/ 011 298 2467 Closing date: 18 May 2012