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National Health Act, 2003 (Act No. 61 of 2003)

PUBLICATION OF HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE NORMS AND STANDARDS GUIDELINES

The Minister of Health hereby publishes, in terms of the National Health Act, 2003 (Act No.61 of 2003) the health infrastructure norms and standards guidelines in relation to:

Adult Physical Rehabilitation; Paediatrics and Neonatal Facilities; Maternity Care Facilities; Hospital Mortuary Services; CSSD; Catering Services; Facilities for Surgical Procedures; Mental Health; Linen and Laundry; TB Services; Inclusive Environments; Administration and Related Services; Training and Resources Centre; General Hospital Support Services; Adult Critical Care; Adult Inpatient Services; Nursing Education Institutions; Information Technology and Infrastructure; Materials and Finishes – a) Internal Floor Finishes, b) Internal Ceiling Finishes; c) Internal Wall Finishes; Security; Primary Health Care; Decommissioning; Maintenance; Facility Assembly Schedule Toolkit (FAST) User Guide; Order of Magnitude Estimator for Upgrades to Clinics; Order of Magnitude Estimator for Upgrades to Hospitals; Order of Magnitude Estimator for New Hospitals; and Space Guidelines – Professional Service Provider Instructions for Quantity Surveyors and Architects.

The guidelines are for public reference information and for application by Provincial Departments of Health in the planning and implementation of public sector health facilities. The approved guidelines will be applicable to the planning, design and implementation of all new building projects. Any deviations from the voluntary standards should be motivated during the Infrastructure Delivery Management Systems (IDMS) gateway approval process. The guidelines should not be seen as requirements necessitating the alteration and upgrading of all existing healthcare facilities. A further process for extracting the essential criteria from the guidelines for inclusion as health regulations will follow.

Due to the volume, complexity and format of the data in the guidelines, it is considered desirable that the actual guideline documents be downloaded from the current repository at www.iussonline.co.za. Correspondence on the published Health Infrastructure Norms and Standards guidelines can be directed to the Director-General of Health for the attention of the Programme Manager: Deputy Director-General Hospitals, Tertiary and Workforce Management, Dr. T Carter at Department of Health, P/Bag B X828, Pretoria, 0001

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