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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 publish, in terms of the National Health Act, 2003 (Act No. 61 of 2003), the Health Infrastructure Norms and Standards Guidelines in relation to Building Engineering Services, Infrastructure Design for Waste Management in Healthcare Facilities and Emergency Centers. 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 a requirement necessitating the alteration and upgrading of all existing healthcare facilities. Professional service provider instructions should be adapted to require mandatory measurement in locations and according to building elements on all building projects not yet documented for tender purposes. 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 or Acting Cluster Manager: Health Facilities and Infrastructure Management, Mr NN Mphaphuli at Department of Health, P/Bag X828, Pretoria, 0001

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