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TO: National Department of Health
Provincial Departments of Health
Nursing Education Institutions
All Stakeholders

APPOINTMENT: REGISTRAR AND CEO OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN NURSING COUNCIL

The South African Nursing Council (SANC) is pleased to announce the appointment of Prof Ntombifikile Mtshali as the Registrar and CEO of the South African Nursing Council, by the Honorable Minister of Health Dr MJ Phaahla, in terms of Section 18(1) and (3) of the Nursing Act, 2005 (Act No. 33 of 2005) with effect from 01 March 2023.

Professor Mtshali is a recognised Nurse leader, academic and researcher. She holds a PhD from the University of KwaZulu-Natal and brings extensive leadership experience in higher education to the table.

Prior to the current position she served as the Head of the Nursing Department at the University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN), Director of the World Health Organisation Collaborating Centre (WHOCC) for Nursing and Midwifery at UKZN, Dean of Teaching and Learning in the College of Health at UKZN, Senior Manager Education and Training at the SANC, Lecturer and Associate Professor at UKZN. She served as the International Center for AIDS Care and Treatment Programs (ICAP) at Columbia University Nursing Education Partnership Initiative (NEPI) Manager in South Africa. During this period, she was seconded to the office of the Chief Nursing Officer in the National Department of Health, to provide technical support to public nursing colleges (PNC) that served as a pilot sites for the integration of PNC to higher education initiative. This initiative included developing and pilottesting the country's first National Policy on Nursing Education and Training.

In support of the WHO agenda Prof Mtshali provided technical support to Nursing Education Institutions in Congo Brazzaville, DRC, Eritrea, Lesotho, Rwanda, Seychelles, Namibia, Seychelles, South Africa, Rwanda and Tanzania in developing and implementing competency-based curricula, and in building the capacity of Nurses educators as a visiting professor.

The South African Nursing Council welcomes Prof Mtshali and wishes her every success in her new

tenure.

DR MC MOLEPO CHAIRPERSON

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