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SICK AND ABSENCE FUND: MEDICAL CERTIFICATES

1. Clause 19 (9) of Council's Main Collective Agreement provides that a medical certificate, for the purposes of occasional sick leave, must be issued and signed by a medical practitioner or any person who is certified to diagnose and treat patients and who is registered with a professional council established by an Act of Parliament.
2. The Interim Traditional Health Practitioners Council of SA came into effect on 1 May 2014. The Council was established and registered in terms of the provisions of the Traditional Health Practitioners Act, 22 of 2007. This has the effect that employees may consult registered traditional healers and may provide employers with medical certificates issued by such traditional healers. Employers may contact the Interim Traditional Health Practitioners Council of SA to verify the authenticity of medical certificates issued by traditional healers.

Please contact your local designated agent should you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

Acting National Secretary

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