

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

NO. 2061

4 May 2022

EXTENSION NOTICE

AN EXTENSION OF COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE REGULATIONS RELATING TO SURVEILLANCE AND THE CONTROL OF NOTIFIABLE MEDICAL CONDITIONS: AMENDMENT; REGULATIONS RELATING TO PUBLIC HEALTH MEASURES IN POINTS OF ENTRY; REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE MANAGEMENT OF HUMAN REMAINS AND REGULATIONS RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

I, Dr M.J Phaahla, the Minister of Health, in terms of section 90(1)(a),(k),(j) and (w); section 68(1)(b); of the National Health Act, 2003 (Act No.61 of 2003), and section 3(2) of the International Health regulations Act, 1974 (Act No. 28 of 1974) hereby further extend the comment period for Regulations Relating to the Surveillance and Control of Notifiable Medical Conditions: Amendment, Notice No. 1882; Regulations Relating to Public Health Measures in Points of Entry, Notice No. 1883; Regulations Relating to the Management of Human Remains, Notice No. 1884; and Regulations Relating to Environmental Health, Notice No. 1885, all published in government gazette no. 46048, for three (3) months from the date of publication of this notice.

Substantive comments must:

- be sent to e-mail: legalreviews@health.gov.za (only this email address should be used to send comments via email – email addresses reflected on the published Regulations should not be used)
- or be sent via or website link: <https://www.health.gov.za/public-comments-on-regulations/>
- or be sent via WhatsApp by sending the word COMMENT to WhatsApp number: **060 012 3456**

on or before the expiry of the three (3) months period from the date of publication of this notice.

Members of the public who submitted comments in the initial public consultation process do not need to resubmit these comments as all comments already submitted will be considered as part of this process.


PLEASE TAKE NOTE:

By way of context and in an effort to assist the public in commenting, it is important to emphasise that the proposed amendments to the health regulations do not amend the National Health Act, 2003 but rather amend certain existing regulations or introduce certain new regulations.

This is because the response to the COVID-19 pandemic compelled the Department of Health to relook at existing Health regulations to address various issues including health emergencies and ensure alignment.

Among the current Regulations that are proposed to be amended by the proposed amending Regulations are:

- Regulations relating to the surveillance and the control of notifiable medical conditions: Notice No. 1434 published in the Government Gazette No. 41330 of 15 December 2017;
- Supplementary Regulations made under the International Health Regulations Act, 1974 (Act No. 28 of 1974) Published under Government Notice No. R. 2001 of 24 October 1975, as amended by Government Notice No. R.2069 of 20 October 1978; Government Notice No. R. 790 of 18 April 1980 and Government Notice No. R. 496 of 11 April 2003; and
- Regulations Relating to the Management of Human Remains: Notice No. 363 published in the Government Gazette No. 36473 of 22 May 2013.



DR M.J. PHAAHLA, MP
MINISTER OF HEALTH

DATE 04/05/2022