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## GroundUp News

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Dear Daniel Steyn

### RE: CLINIX REPOSE TO GROUND UP NEWS - DRUG REHABILITATION CENTERS IN GAUTENG

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

#### 1. **How was the decision made to establish Clinix Foundation and start a drug rehabilitation program?**

As part of our long term strategic objective, Clinix Health Group had already planned as early as the year 2019 on establishing an organisation that is targeted at alleviating the burden of constrained healthcare institutions by support in the form of partnerships between public, private, and civil sectors to improve the quality and access of healthcare and social services in South Africa and beyond, particularly to mental healthcare users, rehabilitation-seeking individuals, and substance abuse victims.

To this end, Clinix Foundation was formally registered as a non-profit Organisation but in any event, Clinix Health Group has had long standing partnerships with the government and other civil organisations for over a decade for the provision of mental healthcare and rehabilitation services.

Clinix Foundation is a registered inpatient treatment facility in terms of the section 19 of the Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse Act, 2008.

#### 2. **How was the decision made to partner with the Gauteng Department of Social Development? Was Clinix Health Group approached by the department with the idea to start the treatment center?**

Clinix Health Group (including Clinix Foundation) prides itself in its long-standing partnerships with the government and in its response to the national and provincial call for the private sector to partner with government in its commitment to accelerate its efforts in addressing substance abuse in the Gauteng province, the Clinix Foundation approached the GDSD for accreditation on or about October 2022 to improve access of its mental healthcare and rehabilitation services.

The partnership will no doubt reduce complete reliance on the State in addressing the issues highlighted above.

**3. How were the budgets worked out and calculated for the in-patient and out-patient programmes?**

Clinix Health Group submitted a business plan, which included the costing, to the GDSD based on comparable mental health and rehabilitation services.

The GDSD provided the final costing framework.

**4. What services are provided at Clinix Foundation's treatment center?**

The services provided are as follows.

- 24-hour crisis walk in centre
- Outpatient and aftercare services
- In-patient clinical detoxification
- In-patient treatment and rehabilitation
- Sustainable livelihoods, skills enhancement centre run by Occupational Therapy

**5. How many staff members are employed by Clinix Foundation for the in-patient and out-patient treatment centers?**

- 50 Nursing staff
- 6 admin and management staff
- 15 clinical and therapeutic staff

These staff members service both the in-patient and out-patients.

**6. Has Clinix Foundation signed a service-level agreement with the Department of Social Development for 2024/25?**

The service-level agreement with the Department of Social Development for 2024/25 has not yet been finalised.

**7. Does Clinix Foundation have any plans to expand its service offering?**

This is subject to review and assessment on an ongoing basis. To this end, we are always reviewing our services as part of making quality and affordable healthcare services accessible. The necessary announcements will be made at the appropriate time.



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In the interim, members of the society are always welcome to visit our facilities to understand our services.

Should you have any further queries, please let me know.

Yours sincerely,

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