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## Media Statement

### HPCSA WELCOMES THE APPOINTMENT OF DR SIBONGISENI MAXWELL DHLOMO AS THE NEW DEPUTY MINISTER OF HEALTH

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**Pretoria** – The Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA) welcomes the announcement by President, Cyril Ramaphosa in the appointment of Dr. Sibongiseni Dhlomo as the new Deputy Minister of Health.

Dr Dhlomo served as the MEC for Health in KwaZulu-Natal from 2009 – 2019. He was also the Deputy City Manager responsible for Health and Social Services at the eThekweni Metropolitan Municipality.

“The Deputy Minister brings a wealth of experience gained in the health sector. As the HPCSA, we are pleased to welcome Dr Dhlomo to this position and we look forward to working with him during this pivotal time”, said Prof. Simon Nmutandani, HPCSA President.

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## **About the Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA)**

The Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA) also known as Council is a statutory body established under the Health Professions Act 56 of 1974. The HPCSA is committed to protecting the public and guiding the professions. The mission of the HPCSA is quality and equitable healthcare for all.

The HPCSA is mandated to regulate the health professions in the country in aspects pertaining to education, training and registration, professional conduct and ethical behaviour, ensuring Continuing Professional Development (CPD), and fostering compliance with healthcare standards.

In order to safeguard the public and guiding the professions, registration in terms of the Act is a prerequisite for practising any of the health professions registrable with Council.

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