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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO

: All HOSPITAL CEO's, DISTRICT FAMILY PHYSICIANS AND

DISTRICT MANAGERS.

DATE

: 04 APRIL 2008

SUBJECT : ACCESS TO THE COMPREHENSIVE HIV AND AIDS CARE

INCLUDING ANTIRETROVIRAL TREATMENT.

It has come to my notice that some facilities are denying patients that do not have a South African Identity document access to the comprehensive HIV and Aids care, management and treatment plan including antiretrovirals. This practice is not acceptable.

Kindly note that no patient should be denied access to any health care service, including access to antiretrovirals irrespective of whether they have a South African Identification document or not.

For reference please see attached memorandum.

DR. PMH MADUNA CHIEF DIRECTOR

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