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EWSETA COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS) LOCKDOWN MEASURES: EMPLOYERS / TRAINING PROVIDERS

The COVID-19 pandemic that has resulted in the pronouncement of a State of Disaster, an initial lockdown of three weeks and the extension of the lockdown by a further two weeks, necessitated that the EWSETA attend to all active projects and those that were newly approved just before the lockdown commenced on 26 March 2020.

On 18 April 2020, the Minister of Higher Education, Science and Technology, Dr BE Nzimande published Directive 05/2020 to all SETAs instructing that payment of stipends to learners during the nationwide lockdown should be continued in full until further notice. It should be noted that Directive 05/2020 rescinds all prior communication relating to the matter of learner stipends.

Implementing institutions are therefore required to submit payment claim files as per the timelines and deliverables stated within the Service Level Agreement. Proof of the payment of stipends during the lockdown period through the provision of supporting documentation will also be required.

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NB: Please find below useful contact details that you should keep on hand and distribute to staff and learners:

- Coronavirus WhatsApp line – 0600 123 456 (call and follow the prompts)
- Download the Mpilo app which is available on all operating systems. This app allows you to answer a questionnaire to assess your symptoms. Should your scores indicate that you may need testing, health assessors will come to you.
- National Institute of Communicable Diseases (NICD) – 011 386 6400 or their toll free number 0800 029 999
- National Emergency Line 10111
- World Health Organization website – www.who.int

We would like to thank all our stakeholders for their continued commitment to working with EWSETA through these unprecedented and challenging times. As the President articulated on Monday evening: “Let us never despair. For we are a nation at one, and we will surely prevail. May God protect Our People”.