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## GOVERNMENT NOTICE

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### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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#### *National Health Act, 2003 (Act No. 61 of 2003)*


#### **PUBLICATION OF HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE NORMS AND STANDARDS GUIDELINES**

- 1) The Minister of Health, hereby publishes, in terms of the National Health Act, 2003 (Act No. 61 of 2003) the health infrastructure norms and standards guidelines in relation to:

**Environment and sustainability; Project planning and briefing guide; Clinical diagnostic laboratory guidelines; Infection prevention and control; Health facility residential; Hospital design principles; Pharmacy; Outpatient services; Innovative Building Technologies; Adult oncology Generic room requirement sheets: Functional space: i. Neonatal; ii. Treatment room; iii. Neonatal – baby resuscitation; iv. Procedure room; v. Functional space – Theatre;**

The guidelines are for public reference information and for application by Provincial Departments of Health in the planning and implementation of public sector health facilities. The approved guidelines will be applicable to the planning, design and implementation of all new building projects. Any deviations from the voluntary standards should be motivated during the Infrastructure Delivery Management Systems (IDMS) gateway approval process. The guidelines should not be seen as requirements necessitating the alteration and upgrading of all existing healthcare facilities. A further process for extracting the essential criteria from the guidelines for inclusion as health regulations will follow.

Due to the volume, complexity and format of the data in the guidelines, it is considered desirable that the actual guideline documents be downloaded from the current repository at [www.iussonline.co.za](http://www.iussonline.co.za). Correspondence on the published Health Infrastructure Norms and Standards guidelines can be directed to the Director-General of Health for the attention of the Program Manager: Deputy Director-General Hospitals, Tertiary and Workforce Management, Dr. T Carter, or alternatively, Acting Cluster Manager: Health Facilities and Infrastructure Management, Mr C Engelbrecht at Department of Health, P/Bag B X828, Pretoria, 0001



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