

TO: NPO's FUNDED BY THE DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF EXTENSION OF MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENT OF 2019/2020 FROM 1 APRIL 2020 TO 30 JUNE 2020 DUE TO COVID 19 LOCKDOWN

- 1. The above matter refers.
- 2. The Department of Social Development has considered the current situation faced by the country as a result of the coronavirus and Regulations issued in terms of the Disaster Management Act 57 of 2002 which has imposed lockdown on movements and delivery of non-essential public and private goods.
- Given these circumstances the process of signing of new Memoranda of Agreement with different Non Profit Organizations for 2020/2021 will prove to be a challenge.
- 4. However the Department remains committed to fulfil its Constitutional mandate of providing service to the vulnerable groups.
- 5. To ensure continuity of the delivery of services within the applicable Regulations and all measures of the lockdown the Department has resolved the following:
 - 5.1. Extension of the 2019/2020 MOA from 1 April 2020 to 30 June 2020. The MOA is accordingly extended and all terms of the 2019/2020 shall continue to apply. This extension is applicable to organizations which were assessed and found compliant in terms of signed service delivery agreement.
 - 5.2. Priority shall be given to services which were classified as essential: These are: Residential Care Facilities for Children, Older Persons, and Victim Empowerment Centres
 - Payment of stipends and administrative costs to ECD Practitioners for the month of April 2020.

Moving forward, the department will assess the situation and communicate to the sector as per developments and decisions of government.

The department would like to extend its appreciation for the hard work of all our partner organizations who continued to render services under these trying times.

Thank you

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