

NATIONAL HEALTH BILL MONITORING INITIATIVES WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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NDOH**



NATIONAL HEALTH BILL

- 1997 – the year of legislation for health
- Proposed NHB
- Committee – expert technical assistance
- Close collaboration with Health Department
- Output- through regulations, guidelines and consultative documents

NHB

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Comprehensive overview:

- district health development
- national health system restructuring
- transformation of hospital services and management
- medicines and essential drug programmes

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- health information systems
- department's regulatory functions

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Specific Health Care rights:

“Every person has the right of access to:

- health care services, including reproductive health care
- sufficient food and clean water
- social security system

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Chapter 5 Sec 44:

Municipal Health Services

- environmental health services
- promotive and preventive health services
- other municipal health services

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Municipal Health Services:

- water quality monitoring
- food control
- waste management
- health surveillance of premises
- vector control

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- surveillance and preventions of communicable diseases excluding immunisations
- environmental pollution control
- disposal of dead
- chemical safety

NDOH INITIATIVES

- Quality of Domestic Water Supplies:
 - Vol 1 Assessment Guide
 - Vol 2 Sampling Guide
 - Vol 3 Analysis Guide
 - Vol 4 Treatment Guide
 - Vol 5 Management Guide

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- Water Quality Monitoring Programme:
 - skill development for EHPs
 - workshops
 - practicals
 - Methods Manual
 - monitoring committees

WORKSHOP

Objectives:

- To provide training to the EHP on the use of Quality of Domestic Water Supplies Guides and potable user-friendly water quality test kits.
- To assist provinces in establishing monitoring committees and to link their activities to the NMMP.

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- Targeted audience

DoH (EHP)

DWAF

Environment and Agriculture

Local Municipalities

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A Methods Manual:

Purpose of the Manual

Intended Audience

Updates to the Manual

Organisation of the Manual (Contents)

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Contents

- *Section 1. Introduction*
- *Section 2. Planning and Maintaining a monitoring program*
- *Section 3. Quality Assurance*
- *Section 4. Sampling Considerations/ Sampling Points*

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- *Section 5. In the Field*
- *Section 6. Data Management, Interpretation and Presentation*
- *Section 7. Water Quality Parameters*
- *Section 8 Contingency Plans*

HIGHLIGHTS

- skill development
- collaborative and Inter-sectoral approach
- planned monitoring program specific to each province
- data management



THANK YOU

