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Invitation to all Psychiatrists and Psychologists who are prepared to Conduct Forensic Mental Health Enquiries for the Courts in terms of Section 79(9) of the Criminal Procedure Act and/or Assessment of Children in terms of Section 11(3) Child Justice Act

According to Section 79(9) of the Criminal Procedure Act (Act No 50 of 1977 as amended) in respect of a panel for the purposes of the enquiry and report under Sections 77 and 78, the Director-General: Health will compile and keep a list of Psychiatrists and Clinical Psychologists who are prepared to conduct any enquiry under this section; and Psychiatrists who are prepared to conduct any enquiry under section 286A (3), and will provide the Registrars of the High Courts and all Clerks of the Magistrate's Courts with a copy thereof.

Section 1(a) and (b) of the Regulation to the Child Justice Act, declares the following categories or classes of persons to be competent to conduct the assessment of the criminal capacity of a child between the ages 10-14 years referred to in section 11(3) of the Act: (i) Psychiatrists and (ii) Psychologists.

The Department therefore invites Psychiatrists and Psychologists who wish to serve in their private capacity to conduct criminal capacity assessment of children and forensic mental enquiries, to submit their details for inclusion on the national list. The following information must be submitted to the Department of Health: Full names, contact details, business address, residence and area of interest (enquiries in terms of Criminal Procedure Act or criminal capacity assessments of children in terms of the Child Justice Act or for both) including proof of current registration with the relevant professional body.

The information should be submitted to the Director-General: Department of Health, Private Bag X828, Pretoria 0001, for attention Director: Forensic Mental Health, Ms NE Mulutsi. For enquiries contact Mr MA Motaung at tel. (012) 395-9533, fax: 086 621 3395 or e-mail: Motaum@health.gov.za and Mompul@health.gov.za

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