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The Head: City Health

## CIRCULAR H 66 / 2023

## SECTION 27 COURT ORDER – FREE HEALTHCARE SERVICES FOR PREGNANT AND LACTATING WOMEN AND CHILDREN UNDER SIX

This circular must be read in conjunction with attached Finance Instruction FAR 11/2023, dated 31 May 2023.

On 15 May 2023 the National Department of Health issued the attached circular to all provincial health departments to advise that all pregnant and lactating women and children below the age of six, who are not beneficiaries of medical aid schemes, and who have not come to South Africa for specific purpose of obtaining health care, are entitled to free health care services, as per the provisions of section 4 of the National Health Act, particularly, Section 4(3).

For immediate implementation and further distribution as required.

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