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**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**Ms C V King (DA) to ask the Minister of Health:**

What (a) number of service contracts of doctors have not been renewed in each province in the period 1 January 2020 to 30 April 2020 and (b) are the reasons for not renewing the service contracts?

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**REPLY:**

The following table reflects the details in this regard.

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| **Province** | **Contracts** | **Reasons** |
| Eastern Cape | 95 | 95 holders of the contracts were community service doctors whose statutory one year-contracts (non-renewable contracts) were completed. |
| Free State | 67 | 36 holders of the contracts opted to transfer to other Provinces after the contract expiry period due to personal reasons. The remaining 31 holders were community service doctors whose statutory one year contracts (non-renewable contracts) were completed. |
| Gauteng | 130  | 128 holders were community service doctors whose statutory one-year contracts (non-renewable contracts) were completed, and 2 were sessional doctors positions converted to permanent appointments  |
| KwaZulu-Natal | 0  | The Province did not have medical officers whose appointment contract ended during the reporting period. |
| Limpopo | 34 | 5 holders of the contracts opted to transfer to other Provinces after the contract expiry period due to personal reasons. The remaining 29 were community service doctors whose statutory one year-contracts (non-renewable contracts) were completed.  |
| Mpumalanga | 45 | 14 holders of the contracts were foreign nationals appointed on three-year contracts. At the end of contracts, they were not renewed because opportunities are first given to South African Citizens in terms of the Immigration Act of 2002. The remaining 31 were community service doctors whose statutory one year-contracts (non-renewable contracts) were completed.  |
| Northern Cape | 72  | 72 holders were community service doctors whose statutory one year contracts (non-renewable contracts) were completed. |
| North West | 81 | 46 holders of contracts were not renewed as posts were converted to Permanent Posts to reduce the vacancy rate. The remaining 35 were community service doctors whose statutory one year contracts (non-renewable contracts) were completed. |
| Western Cape | 54 | 39 were Medical Registrars that completed their training and are replaced with new registrations. The remaining 15 doctors’ contracts terminated at the end of contract after completing specific tasks as per agreements. |

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