# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 1267**

**DATE OF PUBLICATION IN INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER: 06 MAY 2016**

**(INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO. 13)**

**Dr H C Volmink (DA) to ask the Minister of Health:**

How many mental health care patients were attended to at (a) primary, (b) secondary and (c) tertiary levels of care in each province in (i)(aa) 2014 and (bb) 2015 and (ii) since 1 January 2016?

###### NW1415E

**REPLY:**

Data for mental health care patients attended to is collected in the District Health Information System in terms of ambulatory attendees and hospital admissions - rather than primary, secondary and tertiary levels. Tables 1, 2 and 3 reflect ambulatory attendees and hospital admissions. The available data for 2016 is only up to February 2016. Data for the later months is still being collated.

**(a), (b) and (c) (i) (aa)**

**Table 1.**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Province** | **Attendees at ambulatory (Non inpatient) services for mental health conditions in 2014** | **Total number of clients admitted for mental health conditions in 2014** |
| Eastern Cape | 398950 | 7244 |
| Free State | 113827 | 2608 |
| Gauteng | 422765 | 4812 |
| KwaZulu-Natal | 583737 | 8445 |
| Limpopo | 276026 | 7097 |
| Mpumalanga | 3175 | 3286 |
| North West | 135942 | 3418 |
| Northern Cape | 64423 | 991 |
| Western Cape | 206161 | 13697 |

**(a), (b) and (c) (i) (bb)**

**Table 2**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Province** | **Attendees at ambulatory (Non inpatient) services for mental health conditions in 2015.** | **Total number of clients admitted for mental health conditions in 2015** |
| Eastern Cape | 306699 | 8112 |
| Free State | 49021 | 2199 |
| Gauteng | 254593 | 7314 |
| KwaZulu-Natal | 569331 | 9301 |
| Limpopo | 243015 | 7383 |
| Mpumalanga | 2142 | 2723 |
| North West | 81115 | 3360 |
| Northern Cape | 51175 | 1397 |
| Western Cape | 213772 | 16696 |

**(a), (b) and (c) (ii)**

**Table 3**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Province** | **Attendees at ambulatory (Non inpatient) services for mental health conditions in 2016 (January and February only)** | **Total number of clients admitted for mental health conditions in 2016 (January and February only)** |
| Eastern Cape | 42076 | 1579 |
| Free State | 3679 | 301 |
| Gauteng | 16506 | 1393 |
| KwaZulu-Natal | 92292 | 1599 |
| Limpopo | 36663 | 1113 |
| Mpumalanga | 306  | 490 |
| North West | 9211 | 495 |
| Northern Cape | 7439 | 222 |
| Western Cape | 32824 | 3188 |

END.