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**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

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**1453. Ms L L van der Merwe (IFP) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

Whether her department has considered a more systematic approach to training shelter personnel on issues related to gender-based violence such as the impact it has on, amongst others, women's mental health and substance abuse; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details? NW2715E

**REPLY:**

The Department has developed a draft training and development framework that seeks to address capacity building plans across the sector as a systematic approach to training. The framework will be looking into three year period. The framework will be ready following consultations with various stakeholders by 31 March 2020. The framework will cover the various thematic areas such as training within Gender Based Violence, Substance Abuse, Mental health, etc.