# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 2313**

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**(INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO. 23)**

**Mr N Singh (IFP) to ask the Minister of Health:**

With regard to the placement of medical interns, particularly foreign qualified medical doctors for the 2022-23 mid-year cycle, (a) what total number of posts will be available in each province and (b) on what date is it envisaged that such posts will be filled?

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**REPLY:**

With regard to the placement of foreign qualified medical students for the 2022-23 midyear cycle, applicants are expected to first comply with registration requirements for medical internship as outlined in the Regulation by the Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA) prior allocation in a funded post.

(a) The number of posts that are currently being verified and finalized for the mid-year cycle are as follows per province:

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| **Province** | **Number of Posts** | **Status** |
| Eastern Cape | 5 | Posts are at the final stages of verification by Provinces in line with financial quantum  |
| Free State  | 20 |
| Gauteng  | 31 |
| KwaZulu – Natal | 29 |
| Limpopo | 7 |
| Mpumalanga | 3 |
| Northern Cape | 5 |
| North West | 18 |
| Western Cape | 6 |

(b) All posts are envisaged to be filled on 1 July 2022, with various commencement dates. Since these are replacement posts and current incumbents must first vacate the posts to allow new applicants to commence duty.

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