# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 282**

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**Mr Shaik Emam (NFP) to ask the Minister of Health:**

Whether temporary health care workers have been made permanent, if not, why not; if so, how far is the processs, since some provinces do not appear to comply?

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**REPLY:**

The National Department of Health does not employ temporary health workers. Community Health Workers are deployed through service level agreements with non-governmental organisations.

The Department is currently finalising an investment case which will assist the Department to determine the budget required as well as the benefits that could be derived from appointing Community Health Workers as formal employees.

An audit of all provincial departments of health needs to be done to determine categories and numbers of temporary workers.

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