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**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**Ms N N Chirwa (EFF) to ask the Minister of Health:**

(a) How long are the waiting lists for terminations of pregnancies at facilities that offer such services in (i) Gauteng and (ii) KwaZulu-Natal and (b) what plans have been put in place to ensure that women do not suffer the fate of carrying unwanted babies to term, due to the lack of access to termination services? **NW4622E**

**REPLY:**

1. According to the Provincial Department of Health, there is no waiting time for first trimester clients, however the waiting time for second trimester clients is from one week to four weeks, and also there is no waiting time for both trimesters (first and second) for clients requesting ToP services.

(b) As part plan to ensure that women do not suffer the fate of carrying unwanted babies to term, due to the lack of access to termination services, the department has published information on the Termination of Pregnancy on various provincial websites, with the details of the facilities that offer the service. The facilities that provide the services further display the packages of services that are delivered including ToP.

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