**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

 **PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

 **Parliamentary Question 927 (NW1007E) of 2018: Ms D Carter (COPE) to ask the Minister of Health:**

Is the Nelson Mandela Children's Hospital fully operational; if not why not?

**Response:**

YES, with most of its services.

In line with the phasing-in approach as agreed with all stakeholders including the National Department of Health, the following services are now operational at the Nelson Mandela Children's Hospital:

Radiology - MRI scans, CT scans, X-rays and ultrasound services

Day Ward - Day admissions for MRI and CT scan patients

Anaesthesiology Unit - General Anaesthesia for Radiology patients

NICU - Admission of Neonatal ICU patients

PICU - Admission of Paediatric ICU patients

Dialysis - Peritoneal and Haemo dialysis

Cardiology - Cardiac Diagnostics and pre-surgical work up for cardiac

surgery patients

Pharmacy - medicines and medical supplies for out-patients and inpatients

The Neonatal, Maternal and Child Health department is currently commissioning theatres and surgical services, and recruiting staff for the units. The following surgical services will be available in 2018/19: Paediatric Orthopaedic Surgery, Paediatric Neuro Surgery, Paediatric Cardiac Surgery and Paediatric General Surgery.

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