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## CYC follow-up Summit: QUICK UPDATE

Professional Board for Child and Youth Care Work held a follow-up Summit on 9 November 2021 to provide an update on key achievements following the 1<sup>st</sup> Summit held in May 2021. The President of Council, Dr Maria Mabetoa, welcomed participants at the follow-up Summit and emphasised the urgency to discuss matters affecting the child and youth care workers such conditions of employment, remuneration, opportunities to access higher education programmes, amongst other.

The following feedback was received from the working groups formed during the 1st Summit:

- **Further education and training:** A *Concept of a Learning Framework* to fast-track auxiliary child and youth care workers into degree programmes is being developed and a *Learning Pathways* in order to broaden opportunities and allow child and youth care workers to have access to further education and training is in progress.
- **The District Development Model:** An analysis of registered child and youth care workers in different provinces was done to demonstrate the demand for this sector, which coincides with the development of a *business-case* for inclusion of child and youth care workers in the District Development Model. It was reported that discussions related to an MoU with key stakeholders clarifying roles and responsibilities are at an advanced stage.
- **Human resource matters:** A *draft business-base* on the Occupation Specific Dispensation (OSD) for the profession was developed and the challenges related to the job descriptions and salary implications were reviewed. Upon finalisation these will be presented to the Department of Public Service and Administration (DPSA) and other government structures for consideration.

A 2<sup>nd</sup> follow-up Summit is planned for February 2022.

## UPDATES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Professional Board for Social Work's revised *Policy on continuing professional development (CPD) for social workers and social auxiliary workers (2021)* effective from 1 November 2021 is available on the SACSSP's website ([www.sacssp.co.za](http://www.sacssp.co.za)). Applications received prior to 1 November 2021, will be accommodated based on the provisions of the 2019 version of the policy.

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