

## **WRITTEN REPLY**

**No. 104/2018 – Dr R Viranna (DA) to ask the MEC for Health:**

**Regarding mammography in KZN:**

**1. How many facilities provide mammography;**

The following 8 Institutions:

- Addington
- Prince Mshiyeni
- RK Khan
- King Edward VIII
- Greys
- Ngwelezana
- Inkosi Albert Luthuli Central Hospital (IALCH)
- Queen Nandi Regional Hospital

**2. In these facilities, are all machines working;**

No.

**a. If not, in which facilities are the machines not working:**

The mammography machines are not functional at Queen Nandi Regional Hospital and Prince Mshiyeni Memorial Hospitals.

**b. Why:**

**Prince Mshiyeni Memorial Hospital:**

The mammography unit has not been functional for a week and is currently undergoing repairs. It is anticipated to be completed by the 31<sup>st</sup> May 2018.

**Queen Nandi Regional Hospital**

The mammography unit is not functional as the machine has not been licenced due to the lack of a Radiologist at the Institution.

**3. Do all machines have SLAs;**

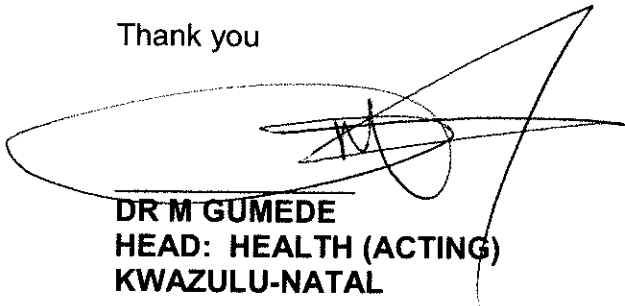
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4. What are the waiting times/backlogs in each of these facilities?

Name of Institution	Waiting Times
Addington Hospital	12 Month Waiting Period
King Edward VIII Hospital	± 3 weeks
RK Khan Hospital	± 11 month waiting period
Inkosi Albert Luthuli Central Hospital	4 days
Greys Hospital	8 weeks
Prince Mshiyeni Memorial Hospital	7 months
Ngwelezana Hospital	2 months
Queen Nandi Regional Hospital	*n/a

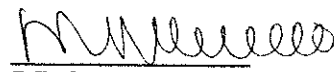
\*Machine non-functional due to lack of Radiographer therefore no waiting periods. Patients sent to Ngwelezana Hospital.

Thank you



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