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NOTICE: ACCESS TO THE STANDARD TREATMENT GUIDELINES AND ESSENTIAL MEDICINES LIST

This notice seeks to inform you that the Standard Treatment Guidelines (STGs) and Essential Medicines List (EML) will no longer be accessible through the mobile application (called the 'EML Clinical Guide') on the Android or iOS versions. This is due to challenges with the ongoing maintenance of the application, which is now negatively impacting the availability of up-to-date clinical information on the platform. Acknowledging the benefits of the mobile application from healthcare workers at the coalface, the National Department of Health will continue to seek sustainable mechanisms for the future availability of a mobile application platform for the STGs and EML.

The following are the latest editions of the Standard Treatment Guidelines (STGs) and Essential Medicines List (EML):

- **Primary Health Care:** STGs and EML 2020 Edition;
- **Hospital Level Adult:** STGs and EML 2019 Edition;
- **Hospital Level Paediatric:** STGs and EML 2017 Edition; and
- **Tertiary and Quaternary:** EML June 2022 Edition.

The latest editions of the STGs and EML can be accessed on the Knowledge Hub platform as follows:

Primary Health Care (PHC), 2020 <i>(plus updated chapters ratified by NEMLC)</i>	https://www.knowledgehub.org.za/elibrary/primary-healthcare-phc-standard-treatment-guidelines-and-essential-medicines-list-south
Hospital Level – Paediatrics, 2017 <i>(plus updated chapters ratified by NEMLC)</i>	https://www.knowledgehub.org.za/elibrary/paediatric-hospital-level-stgs-and-eml-4th-edition-2017
Hospital Level – Adults, 2019	https://www.knowledgehub.org.za/elibrary/hospital-level-adults-standard-treatment-guidelines-and-essential-medicines-list-2nd
Tertiary and Quaternary, June 2022	https://www.knowledgehub.org.za/elibrary/hospital-level-tertiary-and-quaternary-essential-medicines-list

In addition, the STGs and EML can be accessed on the EMGuidance mobile application platform:

- To sign up, click on the link: <http://onelink.to/sy896k>

Provinces and Healthcare Facilities are requested to distribute and communicate this information in consultation with the Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics Committees. Kindly share with all healthcare professionals and relevant stakeholders.

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