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SESHEGO TREATMENT CENTRE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC USE

The Department of Social Development calls on parents whose children are struggling with drug addiction to consider using Seshego Treatment Centre for rehabilitation. The plea is further extended to individuals who are addicted to drugs to use the treatment centre in order to rid themselves of addiction.

Seshego Treatment centre situated adjacent to Seshego Hospital is an entity of the Department of Social Development whose objective is to rehabilitate individuals addicted to drugs. Those in need must consult their nearest social worker to kick start the referral process.

Currently the centre has admitted 34 (62% occupancy rate) individuals consisting of males (32) (59% male occupancy rate) and females (2) (4% female occupancy rate). The centre has the occupation capacity of 54 which is yet to be used to its maximum.

The MEC responsible for Social Development, Ms Nandi Ndalane has made an impassioned plea to people who are struggling with substance abuse eighteen years and above males and females to consider Seshego Treatment Centre which is well resourced to help with rehabilitation and the services are free of charges. "This is a public entity which was established to help rehabilitate individuals struggling with substance abuse.

So far this institution has not been used to its capacity a sad reality considering that substance abuse is rooted in our communities affecting young men and women,” said Ndalane.

She added that most of those who are admitted at the centre are males with a very low number of females admitted. “We are all aware that substance abuse in young women is a growing concern, however, the number of those who come forward to seek help is unfortunately very low to non-existent. We therefore encourage parents to encourage their young daughters struggling with substance abuse to use Seshego Treatment centre,” said Ndalane.

The Department of Social Development envisions for a drug-free society and will therefore invest in this war so that those struggling with substance abuse are fully rehabilitated.

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