



# SOUTH AFRICAN COUNCIL FOR SOCIAL SERVICE PROFESSIONS

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## INVITATION

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NOTICE TO:

1. All registered child and youth care workers, auxiliary child and youth care workers, student child and youth care workers and student auxiliary child and youth care workers;
2. Employers of child and youth care workers; and
3. Higher education and training institutions involved in the training and education of students in the social service professions
4. Other social service professionals
5. Other stakeholders in the social service sector

### THIRD SUMMIT ON THE ONGOING CRISIS IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CHILD AND YOUTH CARE PROFESSION, HOSTED BY THE PROFESSIONAL BOARD FOR CHILD AND YOUTH CARE WORK

1. The South African Council for Social Service Professions' (SACSSP) 4<sup>th</sup> Professional Board for Child and Youth Care Work will host an online Summit on Tuesday 2 May 2023 under the theme "Advancing the professional development of child and youth care workers".
2. This Summit will take place during International Child and Youth Care Workers' Week which will be celebrated from 1 to 7 May 2023 under the theme "*Advancing the professional development of child and youth care workers*".
3. Child and youth care workers, auxiliary child and youth care workers, student child and youth care workers and student auxiliary child and youth care workers, employers of child and youth care workers and institutions of higher learning are invited to attend the *Summit* that will provide update on key achievements following the follow-up Summit held on 6 May 2022 and the emerging trends affecting the profession. The Summit will be held as follows:

**DATE:** 02 May 2023                      **TIME:** 09h00 to 14h00  
**VENUE:** Online (Microsoft Teams): Link to be circulated before the date of the summit.  
**RSVP:** Confirm attendance by 15h00 on 01 May 2023 to Ms Moleboheng Moiloa at [MolebohengM@sacssp.co.za](mailto:MolebohengM@sacssp.co.za)  
**COST:** Attendance is free of charge  
**ENQUIRIES:** Ms Moleboheng Moiloa at [MolebohengM@sacssp.co.za](mailto:MolebohengM@sacssp.co.za)

4. This Summit will amongst others receive updates and further deliberate on;
  - The sectoral human resource plan for the child and youth care workforce in the country, particularly related to numbers of child and youth care workers needed to meet the continuous demand for the profession. This will also include Occupation Specific Dispensation (OSD) related to child and youth care work at a professional and auxiliary level.

- Access to higher education and bursaries by child and youth care workers towards a professional and auxiliary level qualifications in child and youth care work.
  - The role of child and youth care workers in the government's *District Development Model*.
5. The preliminary programme for the Summit is attached. Please note that it is subject to changes.
6. The Professional Board for Child and Youth Care Work looks forward to your attendance

**ISSUED BY:** REGISTRAR, Dr Langi LC Malamba

**ABOUT THE SOUTH AFRICAN COUNCIL FOR SERVICE PROFESSIONS**

The South African Council for Social Service Professions (SACSSP) is an autonomous statutory body established in terms of section 2 of the Social Service Professions Act 110 of 1978 ("the Act"). The SACSSP discharges its mandate, subject to the provisions of the Act together with the Regulations and Rules thereto, as the determining, guiding and directing authority body for the social service professions of social work and child and youth care work in the country. The SACSSP fulfils this role through Council constituted in terms of section 5 of the Act and the Professional Board for Social Work and the Professional Board for Child and Youth Care Work established in terms of section 14A of the Act and constituted in terms of the applicable Regulations, by setting the standards for education and training of social service professionals (qualifications and continuous professional development); registration of social service professionals as a requirement to practice; setting standards for and exercise effective control over the professional conduct (including ethics) of social service professionals as well as by taking policy resolutions as guidelines for the practising of the social service professions under its auspices. Thus, protecting the integrity of the social service professions as well as the interest of the public at large. It is a legal requirement in terms of the Act for a social worker, social auxiliary worker, student social worker, student social auxiliary worker, child and youth care worker, auxiliary child and youth care worker, student child and youth care worker and student auxiliary child and youth care worker to be registered and in good standing in terms of his or her registration as condition to practise.



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## Professional Board for Child and Youth Care Work

### THIRD SUMMIT

*Advancing the professional development of child and youth care workers*

hosted by the Professional Board for Child and Youth Care Work  
on 02 May 2023 from 09h00 to 14h00

*kindly login by 08:30am on Ms Teams*

### SUMMIT PROGRAMME

*(preliminary)*

**Programme Director:** Ms Langi Malamba: Registrar of the South African Council of Social Services Professions

**International Child and Youth Care Workers' Week is from 1 to 7 May 2023**  
***"Advancing the profession of child and youth care work".***

#### OPENING

09h00 to 09h30	<b>Welcoming Message</b>	<i>Dr Paul Mbedzi: President of SACSSP</i>
	<b>Purpose of the Summit</b>	<i>Mr Alfred Harris: Member of Council &amp; Professional Board for Child and Youth Care Work</i>
	<b>Opening Remarks</b>	<i>Honourable Minister Ms. Lindiwe Zulu: Minister of Social Development</i>
	<b>Message of support – Professional Board for Social Work</b>	<i>Ms Ida Strydom: Chairperson Professional Board of Social Work</i>

#### CHILD AND YOUTH CARE WORK IN SOUTH AFRICA

09h30 to 09h50	<b>Status of the child and youth care work in South Africa</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Description of the child and youth care work profession</li> <li>• Challenges faced by child and youth care workers</li> <li>• Previous engagements</li> <li>• The importance of advancing the child and youth care work profession now</li> <li>• Strategic role of child and youth care workers within the District Development Model</li> <li>• Proposed solutions and the relevant stakeholders</li> <li>• Child and youth care worker registration requirements and related Regulations</li> <li>• Child and youth care worker's Code of Ethics</li> </ul>	<i>Mr Donald Nghonyama: Chairperson of Professional Board for Child and Youth Care Work</i>
09h50 to 10h15	<b>The Gauteng scenario: Advancing the profession of child and youth care work</b>	<i>Mr Onkemetse Kabasia: DDG Gauteng Department of Social Development</i>
10h15 to 10h40	<b>Child and youth care work in residential care:</b> The experience of a child and youth care worker working in residential care setting	<i>Awaiting confirmation</i>
	<b>Child and youth care work in community:</b> The experience of a child and youth care worker working in community setting	<i>Awaiting confirmation</i>
	<b>Child and youth care work in education settings:</b>	<i>Awaiting confirmation</i>

*Sharing the experience of child and youth care workers working in a school setting*

10h40 to 10h50	<b>Message from a former beneficiary from services by a child and youth care worker</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beneficiary from a child and youth care center</li> <li>• Beneficiary from a community based child and youth care work programme</li> <li>• Beneficiary from a school-based programme</li> </ul>	Awaiting confirmation
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## 10h50 to 11h10 QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

### PROGRESS UPDATE

11h10 to 11h30	<b>How does the business case advance the procession of child and youth care work?</b> <i>Update on the child and youth care work business case</i>	Ms Isabella Sekawana: Acting DDG- Welfare Services Branch Directorate, Department of Social Development
11h30 to 11h50	<b>Update on the implementation and review of <i>Occupation Specific Dispensation (OSD)</i> as it impacts on child and youth care workers</b>	Mr Oscar Tshivhase: Director Planning and Organisational Design, Department of Public Service and Administration

### 15 minute break

### ADVANCING THE PROFESSION: VIEWS, OPPORTUNITIES AND ACTIONS

12h05 to 12h20	<b>HWSETA: Advancing the profession of child and youth care work</b>	Ms Elaine Brass: CEO, HWSETA
12h20 to 12h35	<b>Durban University of Technology (DUT): Advancing the profession of child and youth care work</b>	Dr Moeti Kgware: HOD, Community Health Studies
12h35 to 12h50	<b>UNISA: Advancing the profession of child and youth care work</b>	Prof Desiree de Kock: Associate Professor, UNISA
12h50 to 13h05	<b>University of Johannesburg (UJ): Advancing the profession of child and youth care work</b>	Dr Verosh Nadesan: Senior Lecturer: Department of Social Work, UJ
13h05 to 13h20	<b>Advancing the profession of child and youth care work / deployment of child and youth care workers in school settings</b>	Ms Helen Nyangoya: Child Protection Specialist, UNICEF  Ms Coceka Nogoduko: Chief Director: Care and Support in Schools, Department of Basic Education
13h15 to 13h30	<b>Public Health and Social Development Sectoral Bargaining Council (PHSDSBC): Advancing the profession of child and youth care work</b>	Mr Mpumi Sibiya: General secretary, PHSDSBC
13h20 to 13h35	<b>NEHAWU and PSA: Conditions of services of child and youth care workers</b>	Mr Bhuti Buthelezi: National organiser: Social Development, NEHAWU  Mr Gracia Rikhotso: Union representative, PSA

## 13h35 to 13h50 QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

### CONCLUSION

13h50 to 13h55	<b>Summary and way forward</b>	Dr Lesiba Molepo: Member of Professional Board for Child and Youth Care Work
13h55 to 14h00	<b>Concluding remarks and vote of thanks</b>	Ms Samantha Baron: Deputy Chairperson, Professional Board for Child and Youth Care Work