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**GOVERNMENT NOTICES • GOEWERMENTSKENNISGEWINGS****DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

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**DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2002 (ACT NO. 57 OF 2002): REGULATIONS  
RELATING TO COVID-19****DIRECTIONS TO PERMIT TRAVEL AND RECOMMENCEMENT OF STUDIES  
FOR FINAL YEAR MEDICAL STUDENTS REGISTERED AT SOUTH AFRICAN  
PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2020**

I, Bonginkosi Emmanuel Nzimande, Minister of Higher Education, Science and Innovation, in terms regulation 4(3) read with subregulation (10)(a) and (c) of the Disaster Management Act, 2002: Regulations relating to COVID – 19, Government Notice R480 of 2020 published in Government Gazette No. 43258 of 29 April 2020, hereby issue the directions as set out in the Schedule.

Notwithstanding the date of publication of this Notice, the directions shall be deemed to have come into effect on 08 May 2020.

This Notice replaces Government Notice 533 of 2020 published in Government Gazette No. 43319 of 13 May 2020.



**Dr BE Nzimande, MP**

**Minister of Higher Education, Science and Innovation**

Date: 21/05/2020

**SCHEDULE**

The purpose of the directions is to:

- (a) Allow for the once off travel of final year medical students studying at public higher education institutions to travel from their homes to the university campus where they are registered for study during the period 8-31 May 2020.
- (b) Permit the recommencement of the academic year for final year medical students at South African public universities with effect from 11 May 2020.
- (c) Permit the travel of final year medical students to and from their place of residence to university campuses and training sites to allow for their academic and clinical work to continue during this period.







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