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## South African Association for Homes of the Aged

SAAHA is future orientated.

The elderly population is increasing – according to STATS SA the individuals 65+ to 80+ will increase with 500 000 by 2021 (3years).

Will the industry be ready to accommodate them on a "CARE-level"???? and

how will it affect the Establishments as they are today?

2.

We found that information, standardisation and networking is key elements.

Legislation and Government cooperation is a huge problem and it takes them ages to act on the need in our industry.

We have developed dependency on others for support and fundraising where we should have made provision ourselves

In order to be prepared for the future and do proper planning SAAHA decided to establish a proper informative platform which is accessible to everyone .....

BUT will contain vital information (generic, statistical and factual) for members of SAAHA.

3.

THE VALUE: We are moving towards to modern world where technology is overwhelming.

The value in this is that everybody will be on the "same page" and moving forward will be a reachable goal, not having to do problem solving and maintenance all the time.

E.g. the large hospital groups are successfully working together on staffing issues just because they collaborated on standardisation of their documentation – reducing orientation periods in their establishments.

Another example is the latest Constitutional court ruling on Labour Brokers, the National minimum wage Bill etc., this all affects our industry in a huge way on an employer and employee basis – yet the information is not always distributed or in reach.

4.

## FURTHER BENEFITS:

- timesaving
- accredited service providers
- standardisation
- standardised training (will reduce the need to retrain)
- establishment of strategic partnerships with private sector on training, medication administration, staffing, professional development, woundcare, provision of medical products and various other associations supportive of our cause but specialising in their own unique way.)
- management of staffing and vacancies
- fundraising
- and recognition!

5.

The Board of SAAHA consists of Provincial Chairpersons and a National President –

all in managerial positions but with different expertise which ranges from medical to business management, both by experience and qualifications.

6.

SAAHA is launching this platform 1 September 2018.

We were overwhelmed by the interest from private sector to join in this mission and the cooperation from other associations as well as PBO's were very positive through interaction and sharing our goal.

We are positive that we will be able to empower organisations and other associations through SAAHA and its very committed Board and IT team

Knowledge is POWER!