

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

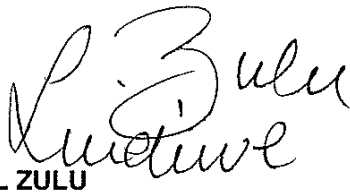
NO. R. 16010

17 December 2021

CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS**SOCIAL SERVICE PROFESSIONS ACT, 1978 (Act No. 110 OF 1978)****REGULATIONS DEFINING THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE OF THE PROFESSION OF
SOCIAL WORK**

I, Lindiwe Zulu, Minister of Social Development, on the recommendation of the South African Council for Social Service Professions intends to make the Regulations in terms of section 28(1)(gB) of the Social Service Professions Act, 1978 (Act No. 110 of 1978).

Interested persons or organisations are invited to submit substantiated written comments or representations on the proposed regulations in the Schedule to the Minister for Social Development, Private Bag X 901, Pretoria, 0001 or 134 Pretorius Street, HSRC Building, Pretoria 0001; (for the attention of Ms AG Rapoo) or by email ProfessionalSupport@dsd.gov.za within 30 calendar days from the date of publication of this Notice in the Government Gazette. Only comments and submissions made in the attached format will be accepted.



MS L ZULU

MINISTER FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

DATE: 27.10.2021

SCHEDULE

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SOCIAL SERVICE PROFESSIONS ACT, 1978 (Act No. 110 OF 1978)

**REGULATIONS DEFINING THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE OF THE PROFESSION OF
SOCIAL WORK****FORMAT FOR SUBMISSION OF PUBLIC COMMENTS**

CLAUSE COMMENTED ON <i>(indicate specific clause commented on)</i>	PROPOSAL <i>(provide a clear proposal on how the particular clause should be developed)</i>	MOTIVATION <i>(provide detailed motivation for the proposal)</i>
1. Definitions		
2. Scope of social work		
3. Scope of practice of social auxiliary worker and student social auxiliary worker		

1. Definitions

In these Regulations any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act, shall have such meaning, unless the context indicates otherwise-

'Act' means the Social Service Professions Act 1978, (Act No. 110 of 1978) and includes the regulations; schedules and rules;

'client' means any person, who has either asked for or has sanctioned social work services, and who has entered into an agreement with a social worker;

'competence' means a level of performance demonstrating the effective application of specific knowledge, skills, judgement and personal attributes required to practise safely and ethically in a designated role and setting;

'scope of practice' means the parameters within which a social worker may practice;

'social auxiliary work' means an act or activity practiced by a social auxiliary worker under the supervision of a social worker; and

'student social auxiliary worker' means a person who is conditionally registered in terms of Regulation 3 of Regulations Relating to the Registration of Social Auxiliary Workers and the Holding of Disciplinary Inquiries (Government Notice 103 dated 18 February 2011 published in Government Gazette 34020).

2. Scope of social work

- (1) The following acts fall within the scope of practice of the profession of social work:
 - (a) any function, power, duty or obligation conferred, assigned, or imposed by any Act of Parliament on a social worker;