



**INSPECTORATE
MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH, SOCIAL
DEVELOPMENT AND LABOR.**

**Reference: investigation medical referrals by SZV
To Mrs. B. Shaw - SMN News**

October 13th 2016

Dear Mrs. Shaw,

Referring to your e-mails dated October 11th and October 13th in which you make inquiries about 2 medical referral cases by SZV, namely Mr. S. Allen jr. and an employee of SZV, identified by you as Ms. Lijkwan, the Inspectorate would like to inform you as follows.

As you may know the Inspectorate is scheduled to audit the referral dept. of SZV. This intention to audit the department was published in the local media mid-July. Due to vacation and understaffing this has not happened yet. However, in anticipation of this audit the Inspectorate has started an investigation of these two cases. The Inspectorate has to date not received all information it needs to perform a proper review of the cases and finalize its investigation. Once the investigation is complete, a report will be drafted.

It is the duty of the Inspectorate to supervise and enforce all healthcare ordinances and regulations and achieve compliance. The Inspectorate has been given the authority and means by law to achieve this compliance, also from SZV.

The healthcare arrangements SZV has in place for its employees have to be established in labor regulations which need to be submitted to the supervisory board of SZV and need to be approved by the Minister of VSA. It is the duty of the Inspectorate to make sure that these labor regulations insofar as they pertain to the medical care to be received by SZV staff and their family members ensure adequate treatment and – in that respect – that proper policy and procedures are in place to ensure that the required care is provided, that all staff members are treated equally, that the care received is of sufficient quality and that the available funds are used properly.

Trusting to have informed you sufficiently,
Sincerely,



A.M. van Heyningen, MSc., Inspector-Generaal ad-interim



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Dear Mrs. Shaw,

The Inspectorate started its investigation into the two cases in question yesterday and has received part of the requested information so far. As SZV has questioned the Inspectorate's authority to investigate referrals of SZV staff not all the requested information has been received.

If SZV is unwilling to provide the Inspectorate with the rest of the information that was requested then we will be forced to take further measures.

Kind regards,



Drs. A.M. van Heyningen, Inspector-Generaal ad-interim