

21 September 2026

Dear Inspector Mfini

My name is Belinda Day. I was here a few weeks ago to speak to you about a case that you're working on, but it seems that the office didn't give you the relevant information (you were on leave at the time).

I'm a good friend of Mrs Vee McCleeve – you have been visiting her in Heideveld because she had too many dogs on the property. She recently had a stroke and has been at Groote Schuur for the past two weeks. She has been told by her doctors that any form of stress is extremely bad for her health, until she has recovered (I've attached her doctor's letter).

Vee has been extremely stressed about this situation, and in fact, her stroke seems to have been related to the fact that she had to put her old German Shepherd to sleep – it occurred shortly afterwards. But it has equally been about the fact that she has been so stressed about complying with decreasing the number of dogs on the property. She has been incredible in finding homes, but it's obviously been incredibly stressful to her to home her dogs. And, at this stage her biggest stress is that she is struggling to find a home for the last dog – and she is obviously incredibly worried that you are going to do an inspection and seize her dog, or that she will be thought to be not complying.

Is there any way that you could give her a month to recover, and then to put her mind into rehoming again? I think the peace of mind would be absolutely necessary for her health, and I'm not exaggerating when I say that I'm truly worried for her. As you know (having seen the way she looks after her dogs), she is incredibly attached to her dogs, but she is equally stressed about complying, and not doing the wrong thing in the eyes of you, and the SPCA. I think it's the stress of not knowing that is dangerous for her health.

I would like to have been able to speak to you in person, and I phoned the office a number of times this morning, but I was unable to get through. I presume you must have her cell number, but my number is 061 472 8034. I would be very happy to speak to you, or meet with you in person, if possible, so that you can tell me how you would like to proceed.

With many thanks

Belinda Day

Siektesertifikaat / Sick Certificate

Groote Schuur Hospitaal / Hospital

VERONICA
MC CLEEVE, V
71 SUTHERPEAK ROAD
HEIDEVELD, 7764

GSH 88404 652

DOB: 07/01/1967

Sex: F (H1)

TelNo: 0722964748

**VUL IN DUPLIKAAT IN
COMPLETE IN DUPLICATE**

Groote Schuur Hosp. adres / address

Pr Number : 5600294

Kliniek / Clinic NeurologyTel / Tel 021 404 6029Western Cape
Government
Health

Hiermee word gesertifiseer dat bg. pasiënt my vandag
besoek het / I hereby certify that the abovementioned
patient visited me today.

GSH: SC **432422**Datums afwesig soos deur pasiënt gerapporteer / Dates absent as reported by the patient 05/09/2026 - 02/10/2026Volgens my kennis / According to my knowledge ☒ en / of / and/ or Soos deur pasiënt aan my meegedeel / As told to me bythe patient ☒ en/of / and/or Uit my ondersoek op / according to my examination on 18/09/2026en weer op / and again on 18/09/2026Beveel ek siekteverlof aan vanaf / I advice sick leave from 05/09/2026 tot / to02/10/2026 beide datums ingesluit / both dates inclusive.Aard van siekte of besering / Nature of illness or injury RECURRENT TIAS

aanbevelings / Recommendations

Patient should avoid high-stress
situationGeteken
SignedNaam (drukskrif)
Name (print)Dr M. ValjeeDatum
Date18/09/2026**DEUR PASIËNT VOLTOOI:**

- ★ Ek het die inhoud van die sertifikaat gelees / gehoor.
- ★ Ek is tevrede met die inhoud daarvan.
- ★ Indien nodig, mag die diagnose / aard van siekte aan my werkgever bekend gemaak word.

COMPLETED BY PATIENT:

- ★ I read / heard the content of the certificate.
- ★ I am satisfied with the content thereof.
- ★ The diagnosis / nature of the illness may be disclosed to my employer.

Geteken: Pasiënt / Signed: Patient

Datum / Date