

## **PRESS RELEASE**

## IMPROVING HEALTHCARE IN ST. EUSTATIUS

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ST. EUSTATIUS – As part of our commitment to improving the healthcare system of St. Eustatius, the Supervisory Board of the St. Eustatius Healthcare Foundation is making the following changes for the benefit of the healthcare of St. Eustatius. To bring about the change, we recognize that a multi-prong approach is needed. The measures announced here are the first in a series to be taken going forward.

In the short term, the Board will appoint a change manager to advise the Board on a definite structure for managing the organization on all levels. The Change manager will provide operational management while leading the organization in line with the renewed vision and mission for healthcare on St. Eustatius. The vision and mission have been translated into a number of executable action points. These actions will be directed both towards the internal organization and towards other (external) players in the healthcare chain.

Training and development are important pillars in moving the organization forward. In that regard, a mutual agreement has been made between the Supervisory Board and the Board of directors that the current director, Mr. Berkel, will receive the opportunity to develop himself further. Mr. Berkel fully supports the points of departure of the renewed vision of healthcare that has been developed and will facilitate a smooth transition to the interim situation. Training and capacity building will be a leading theme for other members of the staff in the interim period also.

The Change manager will be supported in the areas of human resources, finance and communication to ensure that urgent matters, including staff-related matters that need structural improvements, can be addressed.

We will continue to keep you, the community, abreast of our organization's developments and our efforts to improve healthcare for our community.

Improving health care on St. Eustatius is a process everyone can contribute to. We, therefore, invite residents to share their experiences and suggestions with us. This can be done via our suggestion box in Queen Beatrix Medical Center or via <a href="mailto:info@sehcf.org">info@sehcf.org</a>. We encourage the community to follow us on Facebook for the latest developments and announcements of SEHCF.

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