MEDICAL & DENTAL COUNCIL

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PRESS RELEASE

THIS SERVES TO INFORM THE PUBLIC AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS ABOUT SOME REGULATORY ACTIONS UNDERTAKEN BY THE MEDICAL AND DENTAL COUNCIL FROM JANUARY 2024 – AUGUST, 2025

BACKGROUND

The Medical and Dental Council (MDC), in fulfilment of its statutory mandate under the Health Professions Regulatory Bodies Act, 2013 (Act 857), has continued to conduct routine and special quality assurance monitoring exercises. These exercises are aimed at verifying the registration status of practitioners, ensuring adherence to professional standards, and safeguarding public health and safety across the country.

REGULATORY ACTIONS

PARTI

ARREST OF QUACKS PRACTIOTIONERS

1. Kate Baidoo (Osag Medical Centre, Nsakena – Greater Accra Region)

The Council received intelligence indicating that Ms. Kate Baidoo was suspected to be practising medicine unlawfully.

Subsequent investigations confirmed that she was operating without registration at the Osag Medical Centre, Nsakena. During an undercover operation, the Council's investigative team found her in a consulting room attending to a patient. When questioned, she admitted to managing the facility and providing medical services in the capacity of a practitioner without registration and contrary to law.

During police interrogation, the suspect claimed to have completed physician assistantship training at Radford University and was instructed to submit her certificate for verification but has failed to do so. She was arrested with the support of officers from the Nsakina Police Station, Greater Accra.

Status of the Case:

The suspect was granted police enquiry bail on 13th September 2024 and is currently assisting the Police with further investigations pending prosecution.

2. Ebenezer Koomson (E & E Medical Centre – Gomoa Afransi)

The Council received intelligence that Mr. Ebenezer Koomson was unlawfully practising medicine.

Investigations established that he was working at the E & E Medical Centre, Gomoa Afransi, without the requisite registration. Although Mr. Koomson had completed a Physician Assistant Programme, he had not sat for or passed the Council's licentiate examination, which is a mandatory requirement for lawful practice. He was nonetheless providing medical services at the facility.

On 12th September 2024, during a regulatory operation, preliminary findings confirmed that Mr. Koomson was consulting patients as a Physician Assistant. He was arrested with the support of the Swedru District Command of the Ghana Police Service.

During police interrogation, the suspect claimed he was undertaking an internship at the facility. However, verification by the Police confirmed that the E & E Medical Centre was not accredited by the Council for internship training. Subsequently, one Dr. Stephen Ann Arthur presented himself at the police station, claiming to be the supervising physician. The District Commander accordingly ordered his arrest for aiding and abetting the unlawful practice.

Status of the Case

The suspect was granted police enquiry bail on the **12**th **September**, **2024** to reappear later and is assisting the Police in further investigations pending prosecution.

3. Innocent Tagbovi (Mighty Clinic – Madina)

During a routine undercover operation on 4th February 2025, Mr. Innocent Tagbovi was arrested for practising medicine without registration.

Prior to this, on 29th January 2025, an investigative team had visited the Mighty Clinic, Madina, for a follow-up operation, given that the suspect had previously been arrested in 2017 for similar conduct. Investigations revealed that Mr. Tagbovi was again unlawfully practising at the facility. The Council's undercover team found him in a consulting room attending to patients.

On 4th February 2025, the Council, in collaboration with the Madina Divisional Police Command of the Ghana Police Service, effected his arrest.

During police interrogation, the suspect stated that he had undertaken a two-year Diploma and subsequently a four-year Degree programme in Physician Assistantship at Radford University College.

Mr. Tagbovi also acknowledged that he had attempted the Council's licentiate examinations on two occasions but was unsuccessful. Statements were taken from the Council's investigative team by the Police. The suspect was detained, and arrangements were made for the facility to be secured and locked by 10:00 a.m. the following day.

Status of the Case

The case is with the Madina Divisional Police Command for further investigations pending prosecution.

4. Ebenezer Sarpong (Goodcare Medical Centre, Swalaba Bukom)

Council received intelligence on suspicion that a practitioner at Goodcare Medical Centre was unqualified and providing unsafe care.

Subsequently, Council's undercover investigations conducted on 14th August 2025 found Mr. Ebenezer Sarpong practising medicine contrary to law.

Preliminary investigations in the Bukom area confirmed that he was unlawfully operating as a practitioner at the Goodcare Medical Centre, located at Swalaba near Bukom.

On 18th August 2025, with the support of the Greater Accra Regional Police Command of the Ghana Police Service, the suspect was arrested.

During police further interrogation, Mr. Sarpong stated that he had studied at Radford University, completed his programme in 2025, and was yet to be issued his certificate.

Status of the Case

The matter remains under investigation by the Greater Accra Regional Police Command pending prosecution.

PART 2

FORGERY OF DOCUMENTS

Council's investigative systems have been able to detect fraudulent activities of some individuals who presented forged documents for purposes of credentialing. Our collaboration with other international regulatory bodies and the vigilance of our investigations team resulted in this achievement. Vetting of their documents revealed prima facie evidence of forgery and fraudulent misrepresentation. There were four (4) cases detected:

- One case of forgery of qualifications from Ireland and Nigeria by the spouse of a Diplomat.
- Fraudulent document submitted to GTEC from Ukraine
- One Case of forgery of permanent Certificate
- One case of forgery of examination results.

PART 3

COMPLAINTS AND INVESTIGATIONS

A. COMPLAINTS

The Council has received a total of 28 Cases this year. The breakdown of the cases per quarter are as follows.

1st Quarter - 9 Cases
2nd Quarter - 10 Cases
3rd Quarter - 9 Cases
Total - 28 Cases

∇ Disciplinary Cases

The Council disposed of 20 cases before the Disciplinary Committee last year. Currently the Council has 18 Cases involving 22 practitioners before the Disciplinary Committee.

B. INVESTIGATIONS

There are currently nine (9) active cases across the country are under investigations.

- Seven (7) of such cases are under Council's internal investigative processes, and
- There are 2 active cases pending before police

PART 4 UPDATE

A. COURT CASES

There are a total of 6 Cases pending before various Courts

- Circuit Court - 4

- High Court - 2

B. EOCO

3 convictions secured so far.

2 trials currently ongoing. 1 in absentia.

The Children subsequently have been released to Social Welfare Department for further care.

Full briefing will be given jointly with EOCO in due course.

Council is grateful to the Attorney General through the Director of Public Prosecution for handling the case with unmatched professionalism and sensitivity.

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The Council expresses its profound appreciation to all stakeholders for their continued support and cooperation. In particular, the Council acknowledges the invaluable collaboration of the Ministry of Health, the Economic and Organised Crime Office (EOCO), the Ministry of Interior and the Ghana Police Service, the Ministry of Justice and Attorney-General's Department, the Judicial Service, and members of the public whose information and vigilance significantly enhance the Council's regulatory activities.

The public and members of the professions are hereby encouraged to continue supporting the Council's mandate by providing timely information on the conduct and competence of practitioners through the following channels:

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Thank you.

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