

Media Statement

INSPECTORATE OFFICE CLAMPING DOWN ON BOGUS HEALTHCARE PRACTITIONERS

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For immediate release

Pretoria –The Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA) is continuing with its efforts to eradicate the illegal health practices by unscrupulous bogus healthcare practitioners from operating within our communities.

The HPCSA's Inspectorate Office in a joint operation with the South African Health Products Regulatory Authority (SAHPRA) conducted an inspection at a medical practice in Pretoria that belongs to Mr Kaeven Kizito, (a Ugandan national). Mr Kizito operates a medical centre called Last Resort Health Centre as well as a Men's Health Clinic situated at Room no. 202, Van Erkom Building, 217 Pretorius Street, Pretoria. During the inspection the team found Ms Hellen Darliah Tumosome (a Ugandan national), posing as a Medical Practitioner and treating patients whilst not being registered with Council. It was also established that the two were conducting pregnancy terminations and dispensing scheduled medications to female patients for the purpose of medical abortions.

Ms Tumosome was arrested and taken to the Pretoria Central Police Station for contravening the Health Professions Act, (Act 56 of 1974) and the Medicines and Related Substances Act, (Act 101 of 1965).

Mr Kizito also known as Dr Malcolm is currently on the run.

Members of the community are encouraged to continue to report all suspicious illegal practices by unregistered persons (bogus healthcare practitioners).

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About the Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA)

The Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA) also known as Council is a statutory body established under the Health Professions Act 56, of 1974. The HPCSA is committed to protecting the public and guiding the professions. The mission of the HPCSA is quality and equitable healthcare for all.

The HPCSA is mandated to regulate the health professions in the country in aspects pertaining to education, training and registration, professional conduct and ethical behaviour, ensuring Continuing Professional Development (CPD), and fostering compliance with healthcare standards.

In order to safeguard the public and guiding the professions, registration in terms of the Act is a prerequisite for practising any of the health professions registrable with Council.

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