
Media Statement

INSPECTORATE OFFICE CONTINUES TO ARREST BOGUS PRACTITIONERS

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For immediate release

Pretoria –The Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA) has observed with concern the increasing number of bogus practitioners that are being arrested, based on the inspections and arrests that have taken place thus far.

The Inspectorate Office in conjunction with the SAPS conducted an operation yesterday, 07 October 2019. During the operation, Ms Mantoa Alinah Phora was found to be selling fraudulent medical certificates from her residential premises in Ratanda. She was arrested and detained at the Ratanda SAPS under CAS no. 33/10/2019.

In another operation, Mr Kazadi Eureck Mukonkole, from the Democratic Republic of Congo, was found to be practising as a medical practitioner at the practice of Dr R Kagubare (who is registered with Council), situated at 5752 Buti Motlong Street, Ext. 23, Ratanda. Mr Mukonkole was practising whilst not registered with the HPCSA. He was arrested and taken into custody for contravening the Health Professions Act, (Act 56 of 1974).

Council is advising practitioners registered with the HPCSA to adhere to the ethical rules and regulations as this will have dire consequences. Members of the community are encouraged to continue to report all suspected illegal practices by registered and unregistered persons (bogus practitioners). The HPCSA welcomes the tip-offs that members of the community have provided thus far.

The Inspectorate Office is based at the Council's Head Office in Pretoria, with regional offices in Cape Town, Durban and East London.

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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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