

UNLICENSED MEDICAL AND DENTAL PRACTITIONERS AND HEALTH FACILITIES 2023

The Kenya Medical Practitioners and Dentists Council is a body corporate established under Section 3 of the Medical Practitioners and Dentists Act (CAP 253) with the mandate to regulate the training and practice of medicine, dentistry and community oral health within the Republic of Kenya. The Council is also mandated by CAP 253 to regulate health facilities within the country.

Section 22 (1) of the CAP 253 states that a person practicing as a medical or dental practitioner without being duly licensed commits an offence and shall be liable, on conviction, to a fine not exceeding five million shillings or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding five years or to both.

Further, CAP 253 also states that a person who uses a premise as a health institution which premises is not licensed as a health institution commits an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding ten million shillings or imprisonment for a term not exceeding five years or to both.

Pursuant to this licensure requirement:

- KMPDC has published a list of all unlicensed medical, dental practitioners and health facilities in the country. The list can be accessed at:
 - http://kmpdc.go.ke/Registers/PDefaulters.php and http://kmpdc.go.ke/Registers/ CDefaulters.php for practitioners
 - <u>http://kmpdc.go.ke/Registers/PHFDefaulters.php</u> for health facilities
 - Twitter: @KmpdcOfficial
 - LinkedIn: Kenya Medical Practitioners and Dentists Council
- The above list has been shared with the National Hospital Insurance Fund (NHIF) to halt their accreditation. The list has also been shared with the National Police Service, insurance firms and other relevant authorities as it is an offence to practice without a license.

Members of the public are advised to seek health services from practitioners and health facilities that are duly registered and licensed by KMPDC.

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