



KENYA MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS AND DENTISTS COUNCIL

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CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19)

The Kenya Medical Practitioners and Dentists Council (“**Council**”) is a statutory authority established under Medical Practitioners and Dentists Act (CAP 253 Laws of Kenya) with a mandate to regulate the training, registration, licensing and practice of medicine and dentistry in the Republic of Kenya. It is also mandated to regulate the registration and licensing of health institutions in the country.

In line with the directives of the Ministry of Health in relation to COVID-19, the Council would like to make the following pronouncements:

1. The members of the public are encouraged to remain vigilant and to continue taking the precautionary measures, as communicated by the Ministry of Health, which includes: **maintaining basic hand hygiene** and **safe food practices** and **avoiding close contact with people who are coughing or have flu-like symptoms**;
2. Health workers are at the frontline of this outbreak and as such are at higher risk of being infected with COVID-19. You are therefore reminded to **exercise caution** and follow the provided patient management protocols for those patients who present with suspected COVID -19;
3. Managers of all health facilities are reminded to ensure that all the necessary **preventive and protective measures** are taken to minimize occupational safety and health risks;
4. The Council shall inspect the county isolation centers to ensure that they meet the minimum requirements and are fit for use.

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Dr. Eva W. Njenga
Chair

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