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CIRCULAR ON ILLEGAL OPERATION OF HEALTH FACILITIES AND UNAUTHORIZED MEDICAL PRACTICE.

In accordance with Section 28 of the UMDPC Act, Cap 300 (1998), all medical practitioners are required to apply for a license from the Council to engage in private practice. However, the Council has observed a growing number of individuals and health facilities operating in direct violation of established regulations and standards of medical practice.


These violations include:

1. Operating with expired, forged, or no licenses at all
2. Lack of supervising doctors, or supervision by doctors who either do not actively supervise or fail to renew their Annual Practicing Licenses
3. Providing services beyond the scope of their licensed operations, and employing unqualified, unregistered, suspended health workers, or interns
4. Operating in unhygienic, structurally unsafe, or unauthorized premises These actions are illegal, unethical and strictly prohibited under Section 27(1) of the UMDPC Act. Offenders are liable to penalties under Section 27(2), which include a fine of up to UGX 3,000,000/=, imprisonment for up to three years, or to both.

This circular serves to:

1. Instruct all violators to immediately rectify these breaches
2. Issue a final warning to all individuals and facilities involved in unlawful practices—no further warnings will be given
3. Urge the public to remain vigilant and report suspected illegal operations via our toll-free line: +256-0800100262
4. Remind practitioners that license payments should be made to:
 - **UMDPC UGX Account:** 9030005784785, Stanbic Bank
 - **UMDPC USD Account:** 8702010712600, Standard Chartered Bank

UMDPC will enforce strict measures, including immediate closure of non-compliant facilities, revocation of licenses, criminal prosecution, and public disclosure of offenders.


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