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PRESS RELEASE ON A FAKE DOCTOR

The attention of the Medical Practitioners and Dentists Board has been drawn to the investigative story that was aired on Citizen TV Sunday special the 6th September, 2015 at 7.00pm and 9.00pm.

Preliminary investigations carried out by the Medical Practitioners and Dentists Board, the Nursing Council of Kenya and the Clinical Officers Council have confirmed that **James Mugo Wairimu is NOT a qualified medical practitioner nor is he registered by the Medical Practitioners and Dentists Board of Kenya as per Cap 253 Laws of Kenya. He is therefore not authorized to treat patients in any capacity. He is a criminal and should be charged in a court of Law for impersonating a doctor and for raping patients.**

We have further established that **Prestige Healthcare Githurai 44** is not registered by the Medical Practitioners and Dentists Board of Kenya. A joint inspection that was carried out by the Board in Nairobi from the 17th -19th June, 2015 discovered that the facility was operating illegally and subsequently ordered it closed. Mr. James Mugo Wairimu was arrested and subsequently booked at Kasarani Police Station for operating an unlicensed medical facility and for misuse of the title "Dr."

Following the media expose, Mr. Daniel Yumbya Chief Executive Officer Medical Practitioners and Dentists Board was accompanied by Dr. Jean Kagia (Obstetric & Gynaecologist Consultant) and Mr. Munge Murage

(Legal Consultant) to the power breakfast show where they clarified that indeed James Mugo Wairimu is not a registered healthcare provider.

A team from the Medical Practitioners and Dentists Board, the Nairobi County and Special Crime Prevention Unit visited the facility this morning but unfortunately the facility was found closed. The team pinned a closure notice and directed that the said James Mugo Wairimu to report to either Medical Practitioners and Dentists Board offices in Hurlingham, Woodlands Road, off Lenana Road or the Kasarani Police Station.

As a Board, we appeal to the victims to come forward and give statements to further assist the ongoing investigations and report any previous incidents. We assure the general public that any information received concerning this matter shall be treated in confidence and witnesses shall not be exposed.

The Board shall not condone such reckless behavior.



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